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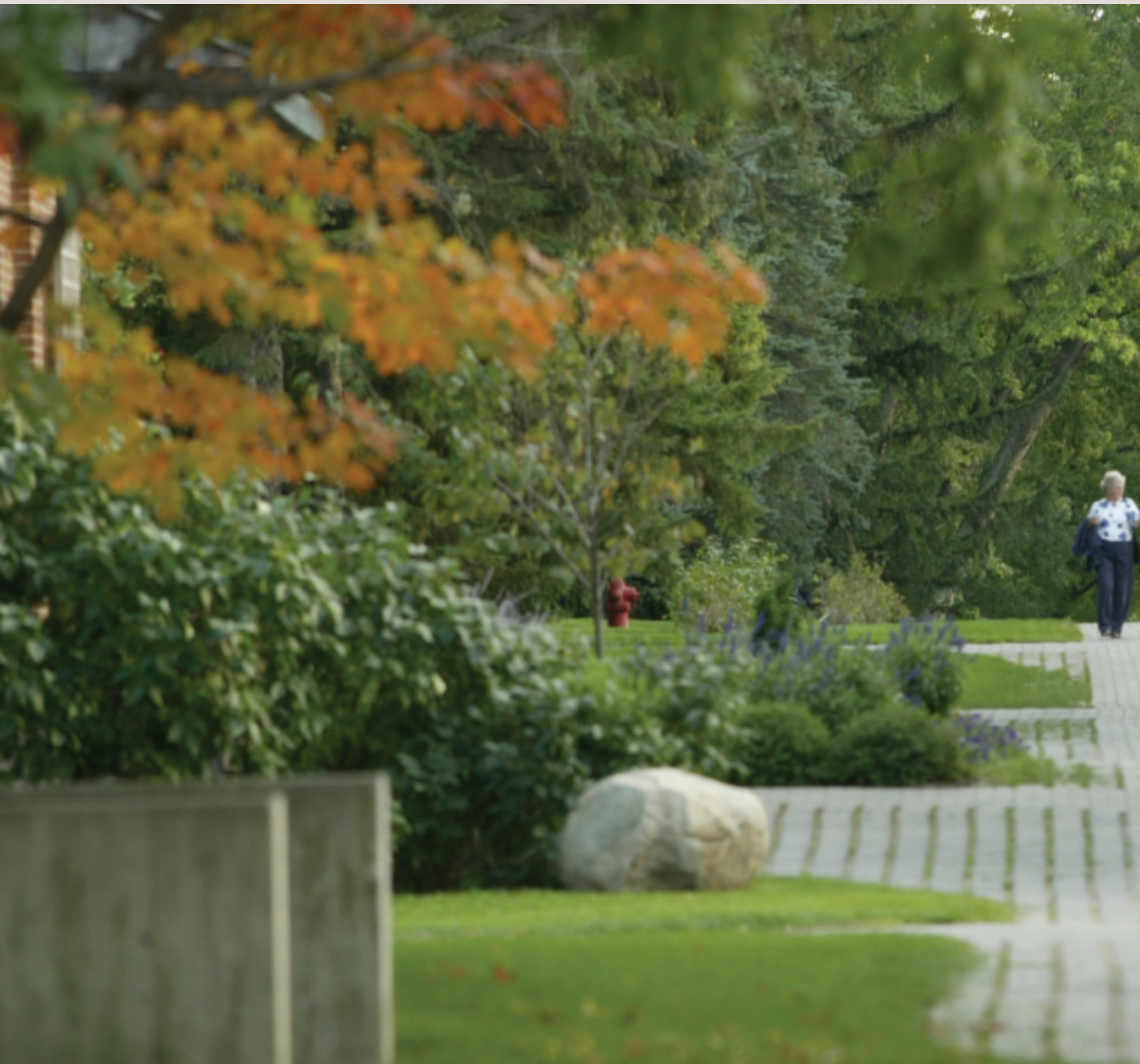


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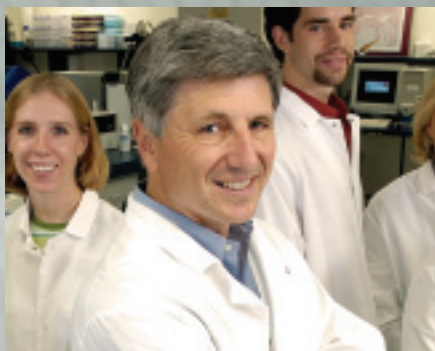
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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends:

These are historic times at Saint John's.

The year 2006 marks our sesquicentennial. One hundred and fifty years ago, in 1856, five pioneering monks put down roots in this special place—a place that, in Abbot Timothy Kelly's words, was "holy before the first monks arrived."

Through the decades since that auspicious year, these roots have grown, flowered and borne bountiful fruit that must certainly be beyond the wildest imaginings of these humble men. Today, we stand as one of the largest Benedictine monasteries in the United States and together Saint John's and Saint Benedict's are the largest Catholic undergraduate liberal arts college in the nation.

To give you a sample of the breadth and depth of Saint John's over the decades, we have included selected excerpts of Fr. Hilary Thimmesch's history of Saint John's Abbey in one of our feature stories, "150 Years: Saint John's Place in the World." Many of you no doubt know Fr. Hilary. He has taught at Saint John's since 1956 and served as its president from 1982 to 1991. These excerpts provide a glimpse of the stories that together tell a rich story about this exceptional place.

In addition to brushing up on Saint John's history with Fr. Hilary, I urge you to check the sesquicentennial calendar of events on the magazine's back cover and make plans to join the celebration—because, along with our founding monks and others, you are the history of Saint John's. Each of you is a thread, a color, a texture in the fabric of Saint John's. We hope to see you at the festivities to celebrate your place and your history!

We celebrate this rich past not only to honor it, but also to draw inspiration and energy from the monks, sisters, teachers, students and surrounding community who wove the complex tapestry of Saint John's for the past 150 years. And we dedicate that inspiration and energy to the future. It fuels our passion for the next 150 years, as, in 2006, we enter the first full year of the public phase of our largest capital campaign: **One Generation to the Next: *The Campaign for Saint John's***. It is fitting that we have set the bold goal of raising \$150 million to mark our 150 years.

We recap the excitement of the campaign announcement made at Homecoming last fall on our Advancing the Mission pages. Dan Whalen '70, Board and campaign chair, announced the goal and remembered the people of Saint John's who made such a difference in his life: "For me, this campaign is all about helping the next generation. I was helped by a previous generation, just as they were helped by the generation before them, stretching back for the 150 years of Saint John's history." Leadership donors and campaign volunteers such as Mike Dady '71 and Bill Sexton '55 shared heartwarming testimonials. As we go to press with the magazine, we have raised \$100 million toward our \$150 million goal.

A sesquicentennial celebration and capital campaign seem like enough big news for one year. But 2006 will also see the walls of the Abbey Guest House rising on the banks of Lake Sagatagan and *The Saint John's Bible* crossing the ocean to begin its international tour in London. A display from the Book of Prophets will open at the Victoria &

Albert Museum in February while the complete exhibition, *Illuminating the Word: The Saint John's Bible*, will be on exhibit at the Joslyn Art Museum in Omaha, NE, from January through April.

Our cover story highlights a topic that will always resonate deeply with our Catholic, Benedictine education: ethics and leadership. Saint John's has sent many CFOs into the business community, preparing them to oversee the finances of both public and private corporations with probity and integrity. In this article, six Johnnie CFOs from a variety of companies weigh in on the importance of leading with honesty, humility, courage and concern for the greater good in today's corporate world. In a series of related sidebars on recently retired Johnnie executive leaders, we get an historical perspective on the changes in and challenges to corporate finance in the past forty-five years. Our alumni profiles also link to this topic as we hear from other Saint John's grads who have established meaningful careers in corporate finance.

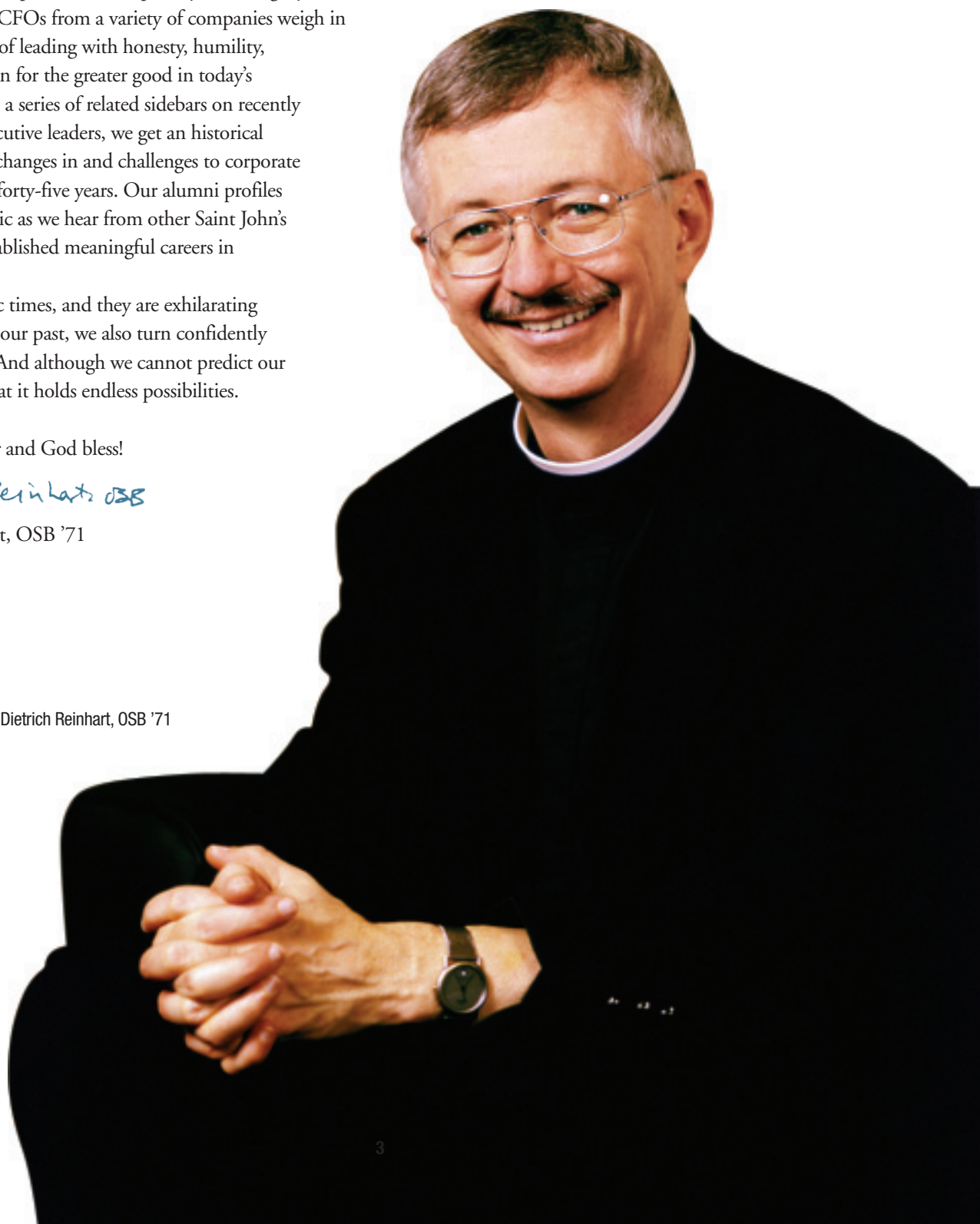
These are historic times, and they are exhilarating times. As we salute our past, we also turn confidently toward the future. And although we cannot predict our future, we know that it holds endless possibilities.

Happy New Year and God bless!

Dietrich Reinhart, OSB

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The CSB/SJU international study program in South Africa provided an opportunity for Mike Scharenbroich '06 to meet Big T Ntfele, a member of that country's legendary Soul Jazzmen. (Photo: Katy Pfannenstien '06)

CSB/SJU Announce Signature Academic Programs

Saint John's University and the College of Saint Benedict have designated international education and environmental studies as their first signature academic programs. The designations are part of a strategic planning initiative to strengthen interdisciplinary programs.

Demand for international education is very high both among students and faculty at CSB/SJU, who travel "global pathways" that tie together academic learning and field experiences. Study abroad at CSB/SJU combines faculty-led overseas programs with a very high student participation rate. Before graduating, some 50 percent of all CSB/SJU students will pass through one of 17 semester-long programs located in 13 countries across six continents. Over the past eight years, both the number of countries and students enrolled in study abroad programs has doubled. For the past two years, CSB/SJU has been

among the top three undergraduate liberal arts colleges nationally for number of students studying abroad, including nearly twice the national average at CSB.

The benefits to environmental studies from signature program status come in two initial elements. Environmental studies is currently searching for a faculty leader in the area of environmental geography, which will add an entirely new discipline to the campuses, while also supporting core work in the discipline. The second piece is that environmental studies have been given approval to join the National Council on Science and the Environment, a Washington-based organization that is emerging as the national coordinating body for environmental studies programs.

Physical resources clearly distinguish CSB/SJU from most other environmental studies programs in the nation, including important attributes like the Saint John's Arboretum, CSB campus woods and the nearby Mississippi River.

National Science Foundation Grant Awarded

Saint John's University was recently awarded a grant from the National Science Foundation to purchase an imaging system for molecular life science research and teaching.

The imaging system, which can be used to detect very small amounts of RNA, DNA and protein, is an extremely versatile instrument and will be used in a number of different investigations and projects at Saint John's University and the College of Saint Benedict, according to Michael Reagan, CSB/SJU associate professor of biology and director of the life science program that applied for and received the grant.

This multifunctional imager enhances the undergraduate research capabilities at CSB/SJU. The instrument will be used by faculty and students in the biology and chemistry departments for collaborative research and will be used in at least six undergraduate classes enrolling an average of 100 students per year including majors in biology, chemistry, biochemistry and natural science. Four CSB/SJU science professors will be using this instrument to study important biological problems of public interest, such as the effects of the Atkins diet on the blood and tissue of mice, how fat cells are regulated, why blood vessels in the retina may leak in diabetics and how genes are expressed in cells.



Ed Henry '43 and Dietrich Reinhart, OSB '71

Ed Henry '43 Honored with Professorship

Saint John's University announced during Homecoming festivities the establishment of the Edward L. Henry Professorship in honor of Distinguished Service Professor Dr. Edward L. Henry, who developed and chaired the University's emerging political science department for 17 years, from 1954-1971, and was later vice president of the University's development department from 1974-1976. The professorship is made possible by a generous gift from Dan Whalen '70.

A 1943 graduate of SJU, Henry has a prolific and distinguished record in education, public service, journalism, business and the military. In addition to his tenure as professor and vice president at SJU, he served as chief executive at four higher education institutions, was mayor of St. Cloud, MN, for seven years and headed a variety of state organizations and associations in Minnesota and Vermont.

In addition to developing and chairing the University's emerging political science department, he launched a foundation-funded honors program between Saint John's, the College of Saint Benedict and St. Cloud State University (the first cooperative effort between these three institutions) and, with funds from a Ford Foundation grant, founded the first small-city research center in the nation—the Center for the Study of Local Government—which operated at Saint John's from 1968-1979. Henry was named a Distinguished Service Professor in 1975.

He has received an Alumni Achievement Award from SJU and a Presidential Citation from CSB. He has published two books, countless articles on education, community development and politics and has appeared frequently on television. He holds a dozen citations and honorary degrees, including citations from the governors of Minnesota and Vermont.

Henry lives in St. Cloud. He and his wife of 57 years, Betty (1923-2004), an alumna of CSB, had nine children.



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Lisa Maurer '86 (at computer) discusses business finance with E-scholar students Derick Dehmer '06, Nicole Lindgren '06 and Eric Rego '06. Lisa is a Mentor with the Donald McNeely Center for Entrepreneurship and assisted in the launch of Collegeville Carpet and Clemens Perk business ventures.

Entrepreneurship Center Selected for Coleman Foundation Grant

The Donald McNeely Center for Entrepreneurship at Saint John's University and the College of Saint Benedict recently received a grant from the Coleman Foundation, based in Chicago. The funds will be used to launch a new project, the Multimedia Business Case program, which will improve the classroom education about entrepreneurship at CSB/SJU and eventually at other liberal arts undergraduate institutions.

With this program, the McNeely Center is beginning to create and eventually publish business cases featuring CSB/SJU alumnae/alumni-run enterprises. The business cases are written for use in undergraduate classes in a range of areas of study across the liberal arts curriculum. Student and faculty teams are researching, writing and developing a DVD visual about an enterprise facing a new opportunity or challenge. Four cases are planned for this first year.

Hewlett-Packard Case Study Features SJU and CSB

Saint John's University and the College of Saint Benedict were recently featured in a Hewlett-Packard (HP) case study that appeared in the July 15 issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education*. The study was developed in January 2005 with the assistance of Jim Koenig, CSB/SJU director of Information Technology Services, and has been used in a variety of sales situations including ads, executive presentations, reprints for tradeshow and as a PDF on the HP Web site.

The entire HP case study can be found at <http://h71028.www7.hp.com/ERC/downloads/CSB-SJU.pdf>

Enrollment Exceeds 3,800 for Sixth Straight Year

Saint John's University and the College of Saint Benedict together enrolled 3,834 first-year to senior students this fall, the sixth consecutive year total combined undergraduate enrollment has exceeded 3,800 students. SJU's enrollment is 1,842, while CSB has an enrollment of 1,992. Each year, CSB/SJU enrolls approximately 10 percent of all undergraduate private college students in Minnesota.

First-time new entering student enrollment totaled 447 at SJU and 576 at CSB for a combined class of 1,023. Together, CSB/SJU enrolled approximately 11.5 percent of all first-time new entering private college students in Minnesota this fall. Only St. Thomas enrolled more new entering men and women than CSB/SJU this fall.

HMML Reaches Milestone Set by NEH in \$2.25 Million Challenge

The Hill Museum & Manuscript Library announced reaching the second benchmark set by the National Endowment for the Humanities in a challenge grant to raise \$2.25 million for endowment of its Malta Study Center. As part of a four-year fundraising drive launched in August 2003, the NEH provides a \$1 match for every \$4 raised by HMML for its Malta Study Center. The NEH set fundraising benchmarks that must be met in order to receive the match. The endowment will fund a curatorial position, acquisitions, programming and preservation of rare manuscripts and documents related to Malta.



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Lasting Lessons

CFOs Lead with Integrity and Courage

By Vicki Stavig

Corporate greed and criminal accounting methods have made headlines during the past few years as scandals at several companies resulted in the loss of billions of dollars for investors and employees. Those scandals have also put corporate accounting under a federal microscope, largely through the passage in 2002 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act (SOX), which set forth a myriad of regulations geared to restoring investor confidence in public companies by making them—and their chief financial officers (CFOs)—more accountable for the accuracy of their financial reporting systems.

Saint John's University lays claim to an impressive number of CFOs who are overseeing the finances of public and private corporations throughout the country. They are doing so with a focus on ethical behavior and accurate accounting, traits and skills they honed during their years at Saint John's. We recently visited with some of those alumni, who shared their views on the causes of corporate fraud, qualities of an effective CFO and the importance of Saint John's in their personal and professional development. In addition to alumni currently in CFO positions, we also visited with and profiled retired financial leaders who reflected on challenging times.



Pat Erlandson '81
Chief Financial Officer
UnitedHealth Group

Not surprisingly, the conversations with Johnnie CFOs focused on ethics—or the lack thereof—as the root cause of many of the recent scandals. A myriad of other character shortcomings also contributed, say our CFOs, including greed, ego and a lack of ethics and courage.

While SOX is viewed as a necessary step in mandating accountability, the CFOs featured here agree, “You can’t legislate ethics.” They also, to a man, credit Saint John’s with encouraging them to question—not only others but themselves—to lead by example, always

with ethics, and to see how critical decisions affect all stakeholders. They added that as their responsibilities have grown over the years to require broad management skills, they attempt to lead with integrity, honesty, humility, courage and concern for the greater community.

Doing the Right Thing

Once viewed primarily as number crunchers, CFOs today must be experts in a variety of areas, from accounting to human resources to specific industries. While their responsibilities have broadened over the years, says Steve Armstrong

’73, the focus for CFOs has continued to be to serve the company and its constituencies with honesty and integrity.

“In certain cases, the notorious cases, there were leaders who were strictly there to serve themselves,” says Armstrong, an executive vice president and CFO for Patterson Companies, Inc. in Mendota Heights, MN. “You do the right thing for the customer and the rest of the business will take care of itself. You price products competitively, keep looking for new answers and try to make things better every day. That’s what business is all about; you have to provide value to

Steve Slaggie ’61, Retired Corporate Secretary and Investor Relations Officer, Fastenal Company

Six years after graduating from Saint John’s University, Steve Slaggie ’61 co-founded Fastenal Company, a national distributor of industrial supplies, in Winona, MN. He helped to take the company public in 1987 and retired last year as Corporate Secretary and Investor Relations Officer but continues to serve on the company’s board of directors.

“As a public company, pressure is placed on corporate leadership to meet the expectations that are placed on the company by Wall Street and by analysts,” he says. “If the company disappoints those expectations, the stock goes down. In the case of Enron, it didn’t perform as well as expected so they did some ‘creative finance’ so its stock price would not be affected. When Enron was forced to restate its earnings, the cat was out of the cellophane bag. It was a huge corporate disaster.”

Ethical and moral standards, combined with honesty, are critical characteristics for anyone working in corporate finance, Slaggie says. It also is crucial, he says, that the people a company hires understand and support that company’s culture. “The CEO sets the standard,” he says. “Ethical standards have to come from the top. If your leader puts in \$10,000 shower curtains, it doesn’t take long before you have abuse throughout the organization.”

Slaggie, who is a member of the Saint John’s University Board of Regents, credits his parents with instilling in him a strong ethical foundation and Saint John’s with strengthening it. “At Saint John’s, those values were reinforced on a daily basis,” he says. “We had a huge monastic presence when I was there. In Benedictine tradition, you get it by osmosis, by living in that environment for four years. You take those values forward and you live with them. At Saint John’s, I learned how to write, speak, listen and think with integrity. Those last two words are huge; you must do it with integrity.”



Steve Slaggie ’61



Steve Armstrong '73, CFO, Patterson Companies

your customers.”

Armstrong spent 26 years with Ernst & Young, then in 1999 signed on with Patterson Companies. The company has grown from a dental supply company to one that also supplies products and equipment to veterinarian and sports medicine practitioners and has offices in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom and France. “Probably the thing we struggle with most is perpetuating the culture of the organization as it continues to grow,” Armstrong says. “That is very important, but it becomes more difficult to have that hands-on touch.”

While Armstrong’s primary responsibility is to oversee corporate finances, he sees himself as a service provider for the entire company. “A CFO cannot just be a good accountant or money manager,” he says. “My responsibilities are fairly broad. I have to be comfortable in understanding all facets of the business and how they tie together so I can advise other management on financial, human resource and other implications.”

Armstrong credits Saint John’s not only with providing him the technical skills necessary to do his job, but for strengthening his value system as well. “Institutions help mold values but I don’t know that they create values,” he says. “They make you recognize the people around you, the society you live in and the business you work in. Saint John’s helped me to understand who I was, what I wanted to accomplish and how I was going to accomplish it.”

A Sound Moral Compass

“You can’t legislate ethics.” That’s the opinion of Ed Bonach ’76, an executive vice president and CFO of National Life Group, a diversified financial services company headquartered in Montpelier, VT. “If there are people who want to be fraudulent, mislead or be deceptive, there isn’t any contract or legislation that will prevent that,” he says.

Bonach joined National Life four years ago, after working for Allianz Life Insurance for 23 years, serving six of those as CFO. Corporate fraud, he says, is the result of a lack of ethics. “Fraud often contains an element of ego and infallibility, somehow believing that they were greater than thou,” he adds. “The other aspect, I think, is that there has been a lack, in many of those cases, of what I call the moral compass.”

A sound moral compass and a sense of community are important to Bonach. “You have to be sensitive and consider how your actions will impact others, not just think about self,” he says. “Saint John’s does a great job of providing that sensitivity and helping to reinforce leadership, ethics and values. The Saint John’s community is not afraid to have an opinion; it’s almost expected. You owe it to yourself and to those around you to give thought to different things, situations and people around you. You owe it

to them to be informed, to have a thought process that is thorough, so you end up with convictions that what you are doing is the right thing. It’s not just blindly following; it’s leading with a vision and a purpose.”

Integrity, honesty, forthrightness, humility and courage are crucial traits for anyone working in finance today, Bonach says. “I see humility from the standpoint that, to be effective as a CFO, you understand that you don’t know everything,” he says. “It’s having a self-awareness that you’re in a very responsible position but at the same time that you do not have all the answers. A key role for us is to provide timely, accurate and actionable information so we can make good business decisions that profitably grow the business.”



Ed Bonach '76, CFO, National Life Group

Don Schumacher '65, Retired Executive Vice President and CFO, Cretex Companies

Don Schumacher '65, retired in May 2005 as executive vice president and CFO of Cretex Companies, a diversified manufacturer headquartered in Elk River, MN. He had spent three decades with the company, having previously taught accounting at Saint John's for two years, then signing on with Ernst & Young before joining Cretex. He is currently a member of the Saint John's University Board of Regents.

Schumacher says he was "astounded" at the fraud scandals and attributes much of it to greed and some of it to Wall Street pressure. "Look at what happens when a company misses its earnings projections by one penny; everyone goes nuts and the stock goes down," he says. "There is a lot of pressure to hit those numbers. The CFO has to be the gatekeeper and be willing to say 'no' when it's necessary. It's important to know your own mind, have an opinion and be willing to share it."

Schumacher says his years at Saint John's helped to instill and strengthen the skills and traits necessary to serve well as a CFO. "You have to know your own mind and be willing to hold the line," he says. "I believe integrity is an individual's and a company's most important asset. You make commitments and deliver on the commitments you make. When the analysis is done always ask, 'What is the right thing to do?' It's not always just what the law allows. For me, it started with Saint John's, with the kinds of people I was exposed to there, both classmates and teachers."

Integrity, says Schumacher, is critical, not only for CFOs but for anyone in the business world. "If things aren't working, you need to step to the plate and get them fixed," he says.



Don Schumacher '65

Building the Right Framework

As a senior vice president and CFO of a privately held company, Peter Conzemius '65 doesn't have to cope with the many requirements set forth by the Sarbanes Oxley Act—or the financial impact of doing so. That impact is hefty, with an average cost of compliance hitting \$4.36 million in 2004, according to a recent survey by Financial Executives International.

Conzemius has been with M. A. Mortenson Company, a general contractor headquartered in Golden Valley, MN, for more than 32 years. The company works on projects throughout the United States, Japan, Brazil, Australia, Canada and Northern Ireland. Before signing on with the company, Conzemius worked with a regional CPA firm.

Greed, combined with pressure from investors and Wall Street, he says, were driving forces behind corporate scandals such as those at Enron and WorldCom. While he doesn't face the pressures that publicly held companies do in keeping stock prices high and providing profits for investors, Conzemius says the basic issue of operating within an ethical perimeter is—or should be—the same, whether a company is public or private. "The principle things are trust, integrity, ethics and values and making sure those traits are embraced throughout the company, from top to bottom," he says.

Not unlike the conductor of an orchestra, an effective CFO, Conzemius says, pulls each corporate instrument together to best serve its employees, investors, customers and vendors. "You have to pay attention to the details and be able to create an atmosphere of teamwork so you have the entire team working together to support the company," he says.



Pete Conzemius '65, CFO, M. A. Mortenson Company

Conzemius credits Saint John's with having a great impact on him as a student and as a professional. "The way you're raised and nurtured continues at Saint John's," he says. "The professors there taught us to think, encouraged interaction and challenged us. The atmosphere at Saint John's is conducive to building the right framework that helps you to recognize your responsibilities, duties and stewardship, which produces good citizens."

Common Core Values

"It boils down to this: Everything you need to know you learned from your mother or at Saint John's," says Kevin (Casey) Eichler '82. "You're not going to legislate honesty; it has to be at your core. The strength comes from aligning yourself with people who have common core values. You need to surround yourself with quality role models, and they certainly exist at Saint John's. You also have to surround yourself with quality peer models. Saint John's allowed me to establish and test my own core values."

Eichler has been putting those skills and values to work throughout his career, most recently as CFO of MIPS Technologies, Inc., a leading provider of industry-standard processor architectures and cores for digital consumer and business applications like digital cameras, video games, digital TV, printers and routers. Over the years, he has worked for an impressive list of companies, including Microsoft and Next Computer, as well as at Mortgage Quality Management, a company he founded with three partners.

While Eichler agrees that some type of legislation was necessary to oversee the accuracy and honesty of corporate financial statements, he is not alone in his view that the Sarbanes Oxley Act is too stringent and its compliance costs too high. "Fundamentally, now you're focusing the majority of your time on defense rather than offense or building the business," he says. "SEC scrutiny and SOX compliance have created an environment where people are very focused on defensive strategies to make sure that the perception is that you are able to run your business in an appropriate fashion. Any company now has a disproportionate amount of money going

to accounting and legal fees. It's millions of dollars, and that can have a significant drag on earnings potential."

The challenge today, Eichler says, is to balance a company's responsibilities to its various constituencies. "The responsibility you have to everyone is to treat each constituency with integrity and honesty and then try to build solutions or outcomes that benefit everyone," he says. "I think you have to look at life in a little broader context so you can be effective in what you're trying to accomplish but also be conscious that we're one world and we're trying to do the right thing for everyone."



Kevin (Casey) Eichler '82, CFO, MIPS Technologies

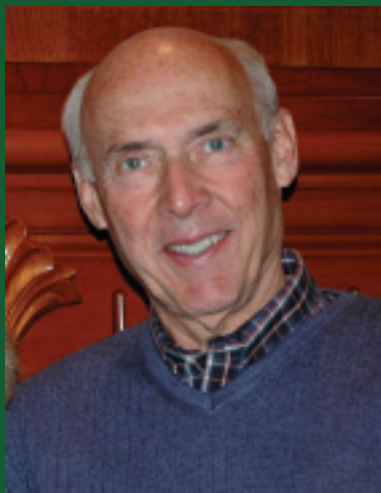
Don Hodapp '59, Retired Executive Vice President and CFO, Hormel Food Corporation

Don Hodapp, '59, retired in 2000 as executive vice president and CFO after 34 years with Hormel Foods Corporation in Austin, MN. "During those years, Hormel grew into a multi-billion dollar corporation," he says, adding, "Growth brought with it changes in product lines, operations and the structure of the corporation. Strong work and business ethics are necessary ingredients for a corporation to change, grow and flourish for over 100 years."

Admitting that, "Never having taken an accounting or finance course made me an unusual CFO for a large corporation." Hodapp says he was named CFO because he knew the business and was self-taught in understanding economic values. His background in mathematics provided a solid basis for this work. "I understood how the business created value and how investments should be properly directed," he says. "I also was familiar enough with accounting to understand the reports that were produced, what they signified and to validate their accuracy."

"The scandals involving the falsification of corporate records have been detrimental to our free enterprise system," said Hodapp. "This fraud was fueled by personal greed and a breakdown in ethics and fiduciary responsibility. Only through the accurate and fair reporting of corporate results are we able to have the clear and open information that is necessary for the proper functioning of our economic systems."

Saint John's, says Hodapp, who has served on the Saint John's University Board of Regents, provided a solid foundation for what would be his life's work. "It taught me how to think, to learn and critical reasoning," he says. "Of most importance, in business as in life, was always conducting business in an ethical manner."



Don Hodapp '59

A High Performance, Honorable and Trustworthy Leadership Team

Greed and short-term thinking, says Pat Erlandson '81, have caused a few corporate executives to take illegal and inappropriate actions in recent years, resulting in public company failures and significant harm to employees and shareholders of those companies. "In the last ten or fifteen years, equity-based compensation has become a much larger part of overall compensation, which together with strong equity markets has resulted in significant wealth opportunities," he says. "Equity compensation that is tied to company performance is not a bad thing. However, the combination of significant wealth and executives lacking a strong underpinning of values and ethics made for some very bad decisions, which caused a lot of financial losses and pain to innocent employees and shareholders."

Erlandson is CFO of UnitedHealth Group, a Fortune 40 diversified health company headquartered in Minnetonka, MN. He began his career with Arthur Andersen where he remained until 1997, when he joined UnitedHealth Group and was named CFO four years later. Although the nature of his job has changed in recent years as he increasingly deals with new regulations such as the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002, intended to prevent unethical behavior, Erlandson says his primary responsibility remains the same. "We have to invest in our businesses, execute our plans and manage to the commitments we make," he says. "At the end of the day, establishing challenging growth plans and delivering on our commitments is the responsibility we have to all of our stakeholders."

In doing so, Erlandson is intent on hiring people who have great skills, as



Pat Erlandson '81, CFO, UnitedHealth Group

well as great value systems. “You have to hire great people, build teams and let them drive outstanding performance and change,” he says. “My biggest job is to open doors and remove obstacles. I’ve seen people in business who are afraid to hire people who are as smart or smarter than they are. You must attract and develop people, delegate effectively and be clear about goals and objectives. It is also critically important to establish a culture where people do the right thing. You must assess the leadership team you have put together and make sure you trust and admire those people. You don’t want to wait until there is a crisis to find out who is honorable and trustworthy.”

Erlandson credits Saint John’s with fostering in its students leadership, ethics and values. “One of the things about Saint John’s that surprised me more than anything, coming into a college run by Benedictines, was how much the school encouraged you to keep an open mind and challenge what you believed,” he says. “I have that sort of mindset now when I make decisions, to make sure I’m not narrow minded, that I look at other points of view, look outside the box, and

make sure we have the facts and different points of view before we make important decisions.”

Balancing Stakeholders’ Needs

In 1984, after four years with Arthur Andersen, Mike Malone ’80 signed on as manager of financial accounting with Polaris Industries Inc., the global manufacturer of recreational and utility products headquartered in Medina, MN. He was named CFO in 1997 and says his years at Saint John’s provided him the knowledge and the moral values that have driven his career.

“A small, general, liberal arts, Christian-based environment fosters a lot of good things,” Malone says. “Being small allows people to develop leadership skills; you’re not just a number in a 400-seat

auditorium. You’re actively participating, which builds self-confidence and leadership skills. The people a Christian environment attracts, from faculty to administration to students, really fosters those strong core moral values. In addition, the quality of the accounting program was very strong. The bar is set pretty high at Saint John’s.”

In addressing the corporate fraud that has plagued so many companies recently, Malone puts at least part of the blame on Wall Street’s pressure to meet projections. Individual shortcomings played a part as well, he says. “It comes down to your core morals, values and ethics,” Malone says. “That’s individual to each person and company. Some of those companies—like Enron and WorldCom—were bad examples of how companies and



Mike Malone '80, CFO, Polaris Industries Inc.



Greg Melsen '74, CFO, Techne Corporation

company people were able to manipulate information, disclosures and communications. They are in jail and they should be in jail. A good CFO has to be trustworthy to employees and shareholders and understand that they're putting their paychecks and livelihoods in the hands of the company's leadership. They have to trust and believe in what you're doing, so you have to have the highest level of integrity."

Malone, like other CFOs, says balancing the interests of employees, shareholders, suppliers and customers are of prime importance. In his case, that job is a little easier because many employees, customers and suppliers also are shareholders, while many shareholders also are customers. "A shareholder has certain expectations: to keep the stock price high and grow the business," he says. "You balance those needs against other stakeholders. When it comes time to make the tough choices, you have to go back to those core values, to doing what's right."

Leaders Setting the Right Tone

It's the tone at the top that's critical, says Greg Melsen '74, CFO of Minneapolis-based Techne Corporation, which develops and manufactures biotechnology products. "The real quality organizations and leaders have always placed a value on ethics and have set the right tone for responsibility and good behavior," he says. "A company could have the best policies in place but, if there isn't example and enforcement at the top, it won't make any difference."

Melsen served as CFO of several companies prior to Techne, including PACE Incorporated, AVECOR Cardiovascular, American Medical Systems and PLATO Learning. "It's not a one-dimensional job," he says of the position. "You need the ability to deal with and earn the respect of a variety of people

with different interests and personalities. You need to be inquisitive and knowledgeable about a lot of functions—human resources, sales, computer science and manufacturing—because you deal with all those areas. At the same time the industries and customers we deal with also are varied. A liberal arts education helps in dealing with all those people.”

During his years at Saint John’s, Melsen says, he was afforded the opportunity to develop the technical and leadership skills that have served him well over the years. He also credits Saint John’s with nurturing the moral values that are so critical in today’s business environment.

“Leadership, ethics, values—I think they’re inherent on campus,” Melsen says. “You really learned to live it. It wasn’t just a one-shot deal or a class. On a smaller campus, you also have the opportunity to get involved in a lot of activities and organizations. And you’re living with a variety of people so you learn a lot of life skills; you have the flexibility to work with and deal with a variety of people.”

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In the face of the havoc that unscrupulous corporate executives, including CFOs, have wreaked over recent years, these Saint John’s alumni are thankful for the values and ethics they were fortunate to have instilled by their parents and strengthened during their years at Saint John’s. Being responsible for the financial workings of companies large and small, public and private, is no easy task. Yet these alumni remain firm in their belief that doing the right thing is the best thing. Their skills are exceptional; their ethics are unimpeachable. And that, they say, is as it should be.

James Brum ’65, Retired CFO, Chatham Technology

“I feel a big part of what happened was a breakdown in the moral fiber of the executives who ran these companies,” says James Brum ’65, who retired in 1999 as CFO of Chatham Technology, Inc. in Dallas, TX. Before that, he had served as CFO of several other Dallas-based companies.

“When I was still working, I saw executives in organizations and key financial positions exhibit many of the things that became very public when Enron blew up,” Brum says. “One of the reasons I decided to retire when I did was I was disappointed in what I saw, in the way people felt they could go about running a business, whether it was how you dealt with people or managed the information you disclosed to the public. I felt there was a lack of moral fiber, that people should have stood up and said, ‘We won’t tolerate these types of things.’”



Jim Brum '65

The qualities that make for an effective CFO, Brum says, are the same as those he would look for in any employee. “First would be integrity; second would be a respect for others,” he says. “The last one would be an independence of thought, someone who would have their own thoughts about issues so, if you were dealing with something, you could count on them to be thinking about it and not accept what everyone else thought.”

Brum considers himself fortunate to have attended Saint John’s where students were encouraged to express their opinions. “There was a real openness and an opportunity for you as a student to express your views,” he says. “Saint John’s really opened my mind to things I didn’t know existed before.”

SACRED SONG: Creating a Choral Tradition

By Eric Hollas, OSB

Six hours of choir rehearsal, classes in music and religion, and sung compline at the end of the day make unusual fare for a summer vacation. Yet for forty-five choristers that is the routine when Saint John's University hosts the annual summer camp of the National Catholic Youth Choir.

Begun in 2000 as the brain-child of Anthony Ruff, OSB '86, the camp has drawn high school students from over twenty states, and for two weeks they steep themselves in the classical choral music of the Catholic tradition. Fr. Anthony describes it as a unique opportunity, and for most of the students it is their first intensive exposure to a repertoire that has been hundreds of years in the making.

Under the sponsorship of the School of Theology, the summer camp draws from many resources at Saint John's. As camp

director, Fr. Anthony has primary responsibility for the classes that relate the sacred music to the liturgical and theological traditions. As choral conductor, Dr. Axel Theimer '71 of the Music Department brings vast experience that has earned the warm respect of a generation of students. Add to that the daily round of prayer in the monastery, the beauty of the campus in summertime, and the surprise of high schoolers discovering peers who share their musical interests and you have the recipe for an extraordinary moment of insight, notes Fr. Anthony.

The summer camp is not a relaxed environment. Classes, rehearsals and social activities make for an almost twenty-four-hour-a-day schedule. But in addition to learning, the choristers showcase their own talent and the music they have come to study. One highlight

includes the opportunity to sing at the Abbey liturgy on July 11, the feast of Saint Benedict. Yet another is the concert tour that has taken successive choirs to Milwaukee, Chicago, Atlanta and Des Moines. Already the program has produced three CDs, with a fourth in production. And some twenty alumni have chosen to continue their education at Saint John's University and the College of Saint Benedict.

What began as an experiment now has six years behind it, and the faculty and staff of the National Catholic Youth Choir are confident of its future as an expression of the importance of the arts and culture at Saint John's. Following the first concert by the choir in 2000, Conductor Axel Theimer proudly announced: "This will continue. We will find a way." Since that first concert the progress has been confident and sure.





As a word, pastiche suggests a mix of unexpected ingredients that creates a surprisingly harmonious unity. As a reality in the case of the Music Department, it describes a faculty effort that has blended their skills on the performance stage for nearly 30 years. And the result is an institution that has delighted audiences both on and off campus, and an experiment that has few if any counterparts elsewhere in the academic world.

First and foremost Pastiche is a vehicle that showcases the talent of the music faculty in a rather unusual way. Bob Koopmann, OSB '68, hints at the big egos that are typical of the musical world and suggests that convening musicians to agree on a program as well as on the musical interpretation and tempo is no mean feat. A concert that gathers trios and quartets rather than a series of solo performances is an enormous challenge, but therein lies the success of Pastiche.

Pastiche had its origins during the merger of the music departments at Saint John's University and the College of Saint Benedict. It was also a period when many new faculty joined the department, and Fr. Bob credits Pastiche with the creation of a unified department with an articulate vision of the future. "Making music together means cooperating together," he notes, and happily that cooperation has extended beyond the concert stage.

Dr. David Arnott, orchestra director, concurs with that assessment. "Getting along musically makes all the rest go easily," says the self-described "coordinating lackey" of the program. "All the faculty enjoy playing chamber music," but that does not minimize the challenge that confronts them as they assemble a concert program. Finding music that works well for the disparate talents at hand sometimes means improvisation, and he cites one septet that was rear-

ranged for a septet, a musical composition for seven performers, with Pastiche. But the very notion of pastiche allows for variety, and through the seasons Pastiche has presented Stravinsky's "Soldier's Tale," "The Junk-Food Blues," and a piece which grouped four pianos on the stage.

By tradition Pastiche has presented two yearly concerts on campus—the first on Family Weekend in the autumn and the second as a winter concert. In addition, they have traveled to venues in the region, and this year Pastiche will perform at Saint Olaf's Catholic Church and at Saint Luke's Episcopal Church in the Twin Cities.

Finding time for all of this is a labor of love for perpetually busy faculty musicians. But the music they present continues to delight audiences, and both the casual listener and the music student are the beneficiaries of this remarkable collegial collaboration.

150 Years





Saint John's Place in the World

In 2006 and 2007, Saint John's will celebrate the 150th anniversary of Benedictine life in Minnesota. This sesquicentennial celebration provides an opportunity over the next two years to remember the genesis of Saint John's and to honor the amazing individuals who helped shape history within this spiritual community and beyond. Over the next two years *Saint John's* magazine will celebrate six generations of Benedictine contributions to this community, the region and the world in a series of magazine articles. The first article highlights excerpts from a book commissioned by the Saint John's Sesquicentennial Committee, *Saint John's at 150: A Portrait of this Place Called Collegeville*.



A Time to Plant and a Time to Grow

Hilary Thimmesch, OSB

Beginning in 1856

From the founding of the community, the apostolates of education and pastoral service ran in tandem. In May 1856 Bishop Cretin ordained two of the young Benedictines who had just arrived in Saint Paul from Pennsylvania, Bruno Riss and Cornelius Wittmann. When they got to Saint Cloud, Bruno was given charge of the Saint Joseph parish, with missions in Jacobs Prairie and Richmond. Cornelius set up a classroom in the Edelbrocks' house in Saint Cloud and taught ten pupils, boys and girls, over the winter. A year later he was the entire faculty of the newly chartered "Saint John's Seminary," when five boys began their studies under him in November 1857. At the same time he did pastoral service locally. The 1915 History of Stearns County was to hail him as the pioneer teacher of Stearns County.

This was the pattern of the first decade. A small group of Benedictine monks, all of them European-born and German-speaking, set about the tasks of education and ministry. A handful of students stayed with them from late autumn to late spring. One of the priests was appointed to be their professor, with some assistance from others. Benno Muckenthaler and Patrick Greil, the two lay brothers who were part of the original group of five, cared for the farm animals, built claim shack, and formed the nucleus of a work crew that Alexius Hoffmann says included the entire personnel of the monastery to clear the land and construct the first buildings. All the priests were also engaged at least part-time in pastoral ministry in the Catholic settlements that were springing up in Stearns County.

Collegeville: A Photo Essay

As Saint John's celebrates its 150th anniversary, the harmony of the landscape, buildings and people of Collegeville are captured in this book featuring the compelling photography of Mike Sipe '92 and Michael Sipe '68. Father and son, both graduates of Saint John's Preparatory School and University, collaborated on this 138-page book that documents a remarkable spiritual community. The inspiring images honor the natural and constructed beauty of this special place and the avocations of its residents—from farmers and educators to sculptors and musicians.

Hilary Thimmesch, OSB, provides a captivating history of Saint John's in the book. Fr. Hilary, who has taught at Saint John's University since 1963 and served as its president from 1982 to 1991, is also the editor of "Saint John's at 150: A Portrait of this Place Called Collegeville."

All those with an affinity for Saint John's and Collegeville will want a copy of this beautiful book that documents a remarkable spiritual community. The book is cloth bound and has more than 70 large photographs. Available for \$65, the book can be ordered through Saint John's University and the College of Saint Benedict Bookstores by calling 1-800-420-4509 or online at www.csbsju.edu/bookstore. Profits from the sale of the book will go to the Joe O'Connell Art Scholarship Fund and the Saint John's Arboretum.





A Little Rule for Beginners

Columba Stewart, OSB

Being a monk of Saint John's Abbey for a quarter century makes me still a relative newcomer to this way of life. I had no personal experience of monastic life in Collegeville before or immediately after the Second Vatican Council, the watershed that even after forty years dominates the monastic story of most of our monks. My personal perspective kicks in about the time things had begun to settle down.

In the monastic world Saint John's is legendary, mostly because of our size and international reach. An oft-repeated story has two men striking up a conversation on a plane and discovering that they are both priests, and Benedictines, and, lo! members of Saint John's Abbey. Even in our much smaller current numbers, we confound European monks accustomed to communities of twenty to thirty monks. Some of them have even suggested that we aren't really monks at all: our active ministry, lack of strictness, professional training and openness to the world strike the more traditional types as more appropriate for orders like the Dominicans than for Benedictines. I once asked a famous French monk-scholar what he thought of our liturgy. "Well," he replied in his thick accent, "I notice that you begin your morning prayers with the phrase 'Lord, open my lips.' In the traditional monastic liturgy those words end the night silence and start the Office of Vigils. But here," he said, "you have neither silence nor Vigils!"

Ascetics we are not, at least not in the traditional sense of fasting, rising in the middle of the night for prayer, or practicing

exceptional austerities. Our asceticism is that of the relentless cycle of the liturgy and life in community. To me it is still something just short of miraculous to go into our church at 6:55 a.m. every morning and find more than a hundred men there ready to start their day together with prayer. I've described community life to colleagues in the university as comparable to having breakfast, lunch and dinner with the whole faculty every day for the rest of their lives. They get the point. While God may have had a sound reason for bringing each of my confreres here, sometimes that reason seems elusive to me. I am sure that they think the same about me sometimes. Never mind. The bell rings, we go to church. Evening comes, and morning follows, another day.

Our monastic observance has always been tempered by the demands of work. The monks came to Minnesota for ministry to settlers, both pastoral and educational. This emphasis on service wasn't unique to the frontier; the refounding of monastic life in Bavaria itself was based on the notion that monasteries should have social utility. The demands of the American scene attracted monks like Boniface Wimmer, who relished the challenge, and those demands still set the tone of our form of American Benedictine life. Rather than being one component of a carefully regulated day, as in the Rule, our work tends to be the context in which we manage our prayer, common life, rest and recreation. A pastor in a parish or a monk in the dorm actually lives on the job. For many years I could sleep, pray, eat and teach without having to go outdoors. Sleeping over the shop is part of who we are.



Saint John's and the Liturgical Movement: A Personal View

R. William Franklin

A Final Phase in the Twentieth Century

From the end of the Second Vatican Council to the end of the twentieth century, *Orate Fratres*, renamed *Worship*, became the principal way that Saint John's Abbey guided the liturgical movement in what now must be called its last phase. Through this period a remarkable team of monks—Godfrey Diekmann, Michael Marx, Aelred Tegels and Kevin Seasoltz—guided the magazine. As an assistant professor of history, an Episcopalian and a Southerner who had arrived at Saint John's from the history department of Harvard University in 1974, I was taken in by this group of men as one of the writers and editorial associates of *Worship*, and from this point I can offer an eyewitness account.

After Virgil Michel, Godfrey Diekmann is the name most people would associate with Saint John's and the liturgical movement. He symbolizes the continuity in Collegeville of what might be described as the “radical” phase of the movement. Fr. Godfrey was, in fact, Virgil Michel's successor as editor of *Worship*, and he was a peritus or advisor on the liturgy at the Second Vatican Council. During the postconciliar period, Godfrey ensured that *Worship* would continue to be a bimonthly review exploring the structures of Christian worship and

the problems of liturgical renewal.

To this mission Godfrey contributed an expansive catholicity of spirit after the Council. He wanted *Worship* and the liturgical movement generally to be completely comprehensive and liberal in its examination of fields related to worship, contemporary in its treatment of theological and pastoral concerns and fiercely analytical in its appraisal of the impact of new movements, such as the women's movement, on the liturgical life of the church. He also made sure that *Worship* monitored closely the Vatican's implementation or non-implementation of conciliar decrees related to the liturgy.

Michael Marx symbolizes the ecumenical spirit of the liturgical movement and of *Worship* in the years after Vatican II. Less well known today than Godfrey Diekmann, he was in fact the guiding spirit behind *Worship* for thirty years. Michael Marx was born in 1920 in Saint Michael, MN, and was educated in Collegeville and in Rome, where he spent all of the Second World War studying at the Benedictine College of Sant' Anselmo. Father Michael was deeply influenced by the persecution of Jews in Fascist Italy. He deeply regretted not being able to rescue the Jews of Rome who faced deportation and death. Out of these experiences Michael embraced the insights of a variety of religious traditions and new movements. I remember visiting his room in his last days, and his bed was piled high

with feminist biblical criticism, which he forcefully encouraged me to study!

Michael worked with scholars from around the world engaged in the study, revision, and renewal of Christian liturgy, who in consequence were engaged in the search for Christian unity. For thirty years he shaped *Worship* so that its liturgical scholarship transcended denominational divisions and served all the churches. He was convinced that the twentieth-century convergence in the reform of worship, resulting from the liturgical movement, powerfully served the cause of Christian unity. While he was guiding *Worship*, most of the major Protestant churches throughout the world became involved in the revision of their liturgical books, and Michael brought *Worship* into these currents of activity. He made *Worship* an editorial force to be respected in the Christian world. He was both a gentle and demanding personal force who allowed scholars to get to know one another through their contacts with him and to come to share a common approach to Scripture, ancient texts and new research. For him there was at the very heart of

the liturgical movement a call to see Christianity as a shared faith that can never be the possession of any one generation or any one century, a faith expressed in a Eucharist that binds into one solidarity all Christians despite their separate denominational affiliations.

Michael Marx used Benedictine hospitality to forge this ecumenical dimension of the liturgical movement in the last third of the twentieth century. In 1967, Saint John's founded the Institute for Ecumenical and Cultural Research, which enabled scholars of many traditions to live and study in Collegeville for an academic semester or a year. Michael had a regular table in the abbey guest dining room, where he invited these ecumenical guests to meet members of the monastic community or the Saint John's University faculty. Out of these lunches grew not only scholarship and publications for *Worship* but Christian friendship and mutual exchange that influenced the course of Christian scholarship and liturgical reform in the American churches for decades.

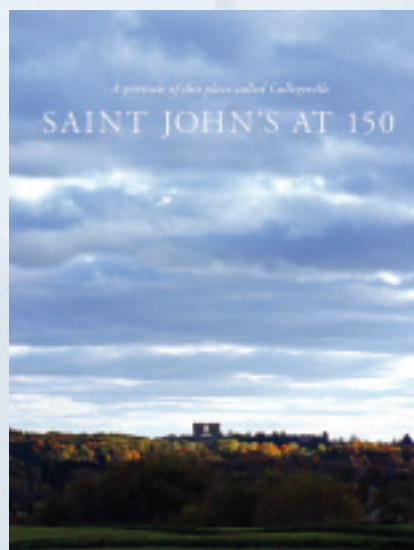
Saint John's at 150: A Portrait of this Place Called Collegeville

The Saint John's Sesquicentennial Committee enlisted Hilary Thimmesch, OSB, professor of English and president emeritus at Saint John's University, to serve as editor and to facilitate the expression of Saint John's identity and its place in the world through the upcoming 160-page publication *Saint John's at 150: A Portrait of this Place Called Collegeville*.

More than 30 authors, including Thomas Merton, Jon Hassler, Bill Kling, Katherine Powers and others from Saint John's monastery, the university faculty, and friends around the world, contribute personal essays and sidebar articles focusing on historical milestones, favorite professors, the evolution of public radio, as well as the ordinary rhythm of monastic and academic living. In addition, archival plates dating back 100 years and full-page contemporary photos capture campus life in the monastery and the university.

Through these compelling essays and images, we learn that the first contingent of Benedictine priests, who arrived in Minnesota in May of 1856, were sent to found a new monastery, but their primary task was to offer pastoral and educational ministry to the rapidly growing German Catholic immigrant population. And we come to appreciate the monastery's timeless role as a strong anchor and its influence on pioneer missions, international foundations and the liturgical movement.

The book, published by the Liturgical Press, is printed in full color in both hardcover and paperback editions. The hardcover edition will be available in February 2006. The book may be purchased at Liturgical Press, by calling 1-800-858-5450 or by visiting www.litpress.org.



ADVANCING THE MISSION

Capital Campaign Reaches \$100 Million *Volunteers Lead the Way*

On September 30, Saint John's announced the largest capital campaign in its history, **One Generation to the Next: The Campaign for Saint John's**. "The goal for this historic campaign is \$150 million," commented Rob Culligan '82, vice president for Institutional Advancement, "and during the 'quiet phase' of the campaign we raised \$92 million. Since we went public at Home-

coming, we have reached \$100 million. We are deeply grateful for the extraordinary support that we have received thus far from more than 19,000 alumni, parents, faculty, staff, foundations, corporations and friends. As we celebrate the 150th anniversary of Saint John's, we seek to strengthen our financial footings and meet our most pressing needs—expanding student financial aid and

improving educational excellence—all the while advancing our mission of 'renewing the fabric of community, *one generation to the next*, ever striving for excellence, ever grounded in Benedictine tradition.'"

"For me, this capital campaign is all about helping the next generation," commented Dan Whalen '70, chair of the Board of Regents. "I was helped by a



Saint John's National Campaign Committee (left to right): Dan Fazendin '67, Dick Nigon '70, Brian Crevoiserat '81, Michael Dady '71, Bob Spinner '64, Joe Mucha '66, John Agee '70, Bill Sexton '55, Jim Sexton '81, Dietrich Reinhart, OSB '71, Frank Ladner '48, Dan Whalen '70, Jim Frey '78 and Pat Maxwell '66. Not pictured: Jackie Breher, Nicky Benz Carpenter, Mark Flynn '78. Bob Gavin '62, Jim Hoesley '71, Diane Liemandt-Reimann, Jack McKeon, Greg Palen '77, Lois Rogers, Mike Scherer '67 and Steve Slaggie '61

previous generation, just as they were helped by the generation before them, and on and on, stretching back for the 150 years of Saint John's history. That is why this campaign is so aptly titled **One Generation to the Next**. The campaign is also all about volunteers. Our success depends on our ability to mobilize the interest, energy and commitment of our alumni and friends," said Whalen.

"We are blessed with tremendous volunteer leadership for this capital campaign, beginning at the top," commented John Young '83, associate vice president for Development. "The chair of the campaign is Dan Whalen '70 and the vice chair is Joe Mucha '66. They are joined by two honorary co-chairs, Frank Ladner '48 and Bill Sexton '55, and an outstanding group of volunteers on the National Campaign Committee. These individuals, along with others who continue to join the campaign team, are playing a significant role in Minnesota and across the country as we launch the 'public phase' of this campaign. From Minneapolis, St. Paul and St. Cloud, to Los Angeles, Chicago and New York—and many cities in between—Saint John's alumni and friends are leading the way in this path-breaking campaign."

For more information on the Saint John's campaign, **One Generation to the Next**, visit the website: www.csbsju.edu/sjucampaign.



Cathy and John Agee '70

Agee Scholarship Fund

John and Cathy Agee have made a leadership gift to the Saint John's capital campaign, **One Generation to the Next**. They established the Agee Family Endowed Scholarship Fund because they believe in investing in students and they are convinced that it is the college's most pressing need. "My Saint John's experience was instrumental in all aspects of my development as a young man," Agee said. "Attending Saint John's was a real blessing in my life. Cathy and I chose to make an endowment gift to allow current and future students the opportunity to know what it is like to be Johnnies."

Agee was raised in St. Paul, MN, graduated from Cretin High School and received his B.A. in economics and accounting from Saint John's in 1970. He immediately pursued graduate

school, completing his M.B.A. at the University of Minnesota in 1972. He is president and CEO of Ka Po'e Hana, LLC, an investment management firm based in Washington, D.C. He joined the Saint John's Board of Regents in 1993 and serves as chair of the Finance Committee. He is also past president of the National Alumni Association Board of Directors and is currently a member of the SJU Private Investment Fund Committee. Agee received the Father Walter Reger Award in 1995. Other community involvements include service as president of the Serra Club, president of the Cretin-Derham Hall Board of Trustees and trustee of the Cathedral of St. Paul.

The Agees have been married since 1971 and have one daughter, Gretchen.



Nicky Benz Carpenter

Carpenter HMML Directorship

The Hill Museum & Manuscript Library (HMML) at Saint John's recently received the largest gift in its history. Nicky Benz Carpenter made a \$1 million gift to the Saint John's capital campaign, **One Generation to the Next**, to endow the Directorship at HMML. "Giving back is a family tradition and something that was instilled in me at a young age," said Carpenter. "Saint John's has been important in my life for many years, dating back to my time on the University Board of Regents and more recently as chair of the HMML Board of Overseers. I chose to establish this endowed fund to ensure that HMML has the resources to attract talented executive directors in perpetuity."

Carpenter is founder of Nicky B. Carpenter & Associates, an independent educational consulting firm in Wayzata, MN. She was a member of the Board of

Regents from 1984 – 1992 and a member of the HMML Board of Overseers from 1995 – 2004. In 2005, she was elected a life overseer, and currently is serving as chair for the HMML campaign. Carpenter's community involvement includes serving as chair of the Minnesota Orchestral Association from 1990-95, board member of Twin Cities Public Television, University of Minnesota Foundation, Minnesota Outward Bound, Minnesota Opera, MacPhail Center for Music and chair of Minnesota Public Radio. In 1996 she was selected as a "Volunteer of the Year" by *Minneapolis-St. Paul* magazine. In November 2005 she was invested as a member of The Order of Malta.

Nicky and Tom Carpenter have three children—twins James and Virginia, and George—and they also have six grandchildren.

Hodapp Scholarship Fund

"Leaving a legacy at Saint John's that will have a positive impact on young men

for generations to come is important to Dottie and me," said Don Hodapp '59. The Hodapps recently made an estate gift of \$1.5 million to the Saint John's capital campaign, **One Generation to the Next**, to establish the *Don & Dorothy Hodapp Endowed Scholarship Fund* at Saint John's. "The educations we received were very valuable to us. As we've watched our children and now our grandchildren grow we recognize the importance of educations for all future generations. It is satisfying to know that we can provide some small help to Johnnies of the future."

Hodapp is a native of Madelia, MN, and graduated from Saint John's with a B.A. in mathematics. He worked for Hormel Foods Corporation in Austin, MN, for over thirty years, retiring in 2000 as executive vice president and chief financial officer and a director of the company. Hodapp was a member of the Saint John's University Board of Regents from 1991-1999. Some of his other community involvements include the



Dorothy and Don Hodapp '59

Development Corporation of Austin, United Way, Salvation Army, Center for Rural Policy and Development, Fremont Chamber of Commerce, Rotary and the Minnesota Medical Foundation.

Don and his wife, Dorothy, a native of New Ulm, MN, are the parents of five children: Don Jr. (SJU '82), Jennifer Honke, Paul, Patrick, Laurie Maiser and nine grandchildren. The Hodapps currently reside in the Twin Cities where they enjoy spending time with their children and grandchildren.

Talafous Scholarship Fund

"Students have been the most pleasing aspect of anything I've done in the University," says Don Talafous, OSB '48. This statement describes Fr. Don to a "T." He is both loved and respected by students, alumni, family and friends of Saint John's. Recently an alumnus, who wishes to remain anonymous, decided it was time to honor the man—the monk—who has impacted the lives of so many. He and his wife funded the first \$25,000 to establish the Fr. Don Talafous Endowed Scholarship.

This fall, Jaime Compean III from El Paso, TX, was named the first recipient of the Talafous Scholarship. Jaime is the kind of student Fr. Don hopes Saint John's will be able to help for generations to come. "There are many first generation prospective students who come from families who believe that a Saint John's education is a mere dream, something so far from their reach financially that they don't bother to take a close look," said Fr. Don. "I am honored and humbled that this scholarship bears my name, but what is most exciting to me is that it will help attract young men from different regions of the country and different cultural backgrounds."



Don Talafous, OSB, '48 and Jaime Compean, III '07

Donald Talafous was born in 1926 in Duluth, MN, where he graduated from Duluth Denfeld Public High School in 1943. Fr. Walter Reger, who Fr. Don met while he was helping out at his home parish, was instrumental in bringing Fr. Don to Saint John's. Fr. Don's Benedictine professors made a very favorable impression on him and he entered the novitiate after his junior year. He made his first profession in 1947, graduated from Saint John's in 1948 with a B.A. in philosophy, made his final profession in 1950 and was ordained to the priesthood in 1952. He received his M.A. in scripture in 1963 from Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. and his Ph.D. in systematic theology in 1972 from the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, CA.

Fr. Don retired from teaching Theology in 1996 and as a faculty resident in

2000, but continues to serve as chaplain of the Saint John's University Alumni Association. Fr. Don's sincere interest in people is exhibited by his ability to remember names and faces of both current students and alumni from throughout his tenure at Saint John's. He continues to serve as an unofficial ambassador by keeping contact with former students through a newsletter, which he produces monthly and sends to nearly 1,500 alumni and friends.

Lilly Endowment Awards Sustainability Grant

The Vocation Project at Saint John's has recently been awarded a \$500,000 sustainability grant through the Lilly Endowment Inc. The grant is part of a larger award recently announced by the Indianapolis-based Endowment, in the amount of \$17.8 million, to extend the programs in colleges that received earlier grants for its Programs for the Theological Exploration of Vocation initiative.

In 2001, SJU received a grant from the Lilly Endowment, in the amount of \$1,999,155, that funded the program Theological Exploration of Vocation: Educating for Leadership in Church and Society Project, more familiarly known at CSB/SJU as the Vocation Project. Since then, programs for students, faculty and staff have been initiated to strengthen SJU's institutional commitment to prepare young people for leadership in church and society.

"This grant will allow us to embed the most fruitful of the activities sponsored by that project these last years into the ongoing life of CSB/SJU," said President Dietrich Reinhart, OSB. "It is a powerful support for our efforts to preserve and perpetuate the Catholic and Benedictine character of the two institutions."

JOHNNIE SPORTS

For the most up-to-date news, results, schedules and statistics on SJU varsity sports, please check the website gojohnnies.com.

Golf Team Repeats as MIAC Champion

The SJU golf team won the MIAC team title for the second consecutive year and fifth time in the last seven seasons. The Johnnies won the title with a 36-hole total of 596, 11 strokes ahead of second place Gustavus. SJU freshman Joe Daly claimed medalist honors with a 36-hole total of 142 (2-under par).

Saint John's placed three golfers in the top 10, and each earned All-MIAC honors, including medalist Daly, fourth-place finisher Kyle Frederickson (149) and fifth-place finisher Andrew Longbella (150).

The Johnnies finished in the top two in five of the seven tournaments they competed in, including team titles at the Bemidji State Invitational, Saint John's Invitational and MIAC Championship. SJU is currently ranked eighth nationally after the fall.

Saint John's is coached by Bob Alpers '82, who is in his 13th season as SJU's head golf coach.

Football Advances to NCAA Second Round

The SJU football team finished with a record of 11-1 overall and 8-0 in the MIAC. The Johnnies won the MIAC title and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Division III playoffs in their 20th appearance all-time in post-season play.

The Johnnies have won 11 MIAC titles in last 15 years, a MIAC-record 28 football titles in school history and made 10 NCAA playoff appearances in the last 13 years.

Senior offensive guard Brian Mathiasen, senior offensive tackle Matt Nelson, senior running back Corey Weber, junior wide receiver Kyle Gearman, sophomore quarterback Alex Kofoed, senior defensive lineman Damien Dumonceaux, senior defensive lineman Jason Good, senior linebacker Matt Hawn and senior defensive back Mike Zauhar were named All-MIAC first team. Dumonceaux received the Mike Stam Award honoring the conference's top lineman and Head Coach John Gagliardi was named MIAC Coach of the Year.

Gagliardi completed his 57th season overall, 53rd season at SJU and improved his all-time win record to 432 career victories. The 2005 season marked SJU's 19th straight winning season and 38th straight season without a losing record.

Cross Country Advances to NCAA National Meet

The SJU cross country team finished 15th at the NCAA Division III national meet at Ohio Wesleyan following a fifth-place performance at the NCAA Central Regional Meet.

Senior Tim Smit led the Johnnies at the national meet, placing 41st individually with a time of 26:37.9.

SJU finished fifth at the MIAC Championship in St. Paul. Sophomore Mitch VanBruggen finished 15th with a time of 26:46.65 and was named all-conference.

The Johnnies are coached by Tim Miles '76, who completed his 27th season as head coach and has 21 career top-two MIAC finishes.



Soccer Team Claims MIAC Playoff Title; Haws Wins 300th Match

The SJU soccer team won the MIAC soccer playoff title for the first time in school history and advanced to the NCAA Division III playoffs for the first time since 1990.

The Johnnies were the No. 3 seed in the MIAC Playoffs, but defeated No. 2 Gustavus in the semifinals, 4-3 on penalty kicks (the game was officially recorded as a tie), and No. 1 Macalester in the final, 1-0 in overtime.

The University of Chicago defeated the Johnnies 3-2 in double overtime in the first round of the NCAA Division III Tournament in Waverly, Iowa.

Two Johnnies were named all-conference—senior forward Tudor Flintham and freshman forward Tyler Kodet.

The Johnnies, who finished the season 14-3-3 overall, also gave Coach Pat Haws an individual milestone. Haws won his 300th match as coach of the Johnnies when his team produced a 1-0 win over Dana College Oct. 14 in Blair, Neb. Haws, '72, completed his 28th season as head coach with 305 career wins, the most in Minnesota collegiate soccer history.



Greg Schumacher '91

Celebrations to mark the 150th anniversary of our University begin this spring. There will be numerous events to honor the sesquicentennial—ranging from a commemoration of the arrival of the founding Benedictine monks in Central Minnesota to a celebration of the anniversary of the first day of class at Saint John's. Observance of the sesquicentennial provides an opportunity to reflect on the rich history of Saint John's while looking forward to its future.

At the 2005 Alumni Association Homecoming Banquet this fall, the capital campaign—**One Generation to the Next**—was formally announced. The following week, Saint John's University and the College of Saint Benedict made a joint announcement about the largest capital campaigns in their respective histories. In speeches and writings about these campaigns, I found particular inspiration in the words of the leaders of our fine institutions—Dietrich Reinhart, OSB, President of Saint John's University; MaryAnn Baenninger, President of the College of Saint Benedict and Abbott John Klassen, OSB, of Saint John's

A Message from the President of the National Alumni Association Board of Directors

Abbey. I wanted to share a few of their thoughts with you in the hope that you find them as inspirational as I did.

Dietrich Reinhart, OSB, President, SJU

"Our world needs inspired leaders— young men and women prepared to respond with full mind and heart, body and spirit to the opportunities of a technology-driven, global society.

At Saint John's University and the College of Saint Benedict we are dedicated to preparing students for leadership and service in an ever changing world."

MaryAnn Baenninger, President, CSB

"The College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University have a 40-year partnership that is unique in American higher education today, and that clearly defines our distinctiveness and strength in the academic community.

Our campaigns will enable us to achieve our ambitious vision for the future – to be nationally recognized as premier national liberal arts colleges

inspired by our Catholic, Benedictine values."

Abbot John Klassen, OSB, Saint John's Abbey

"This is a shining moment in the history of Saint John's—a time when alumni, family and friends can celebrate the accomplishments of the past 150 years and influence the future course of events—for Saint John's and for the communities in which we live and work.

Please join us. Your support will strengthen the bedrock of Saint John's, and in so doing, it will *renew the fabric of community, from one generation to the next.*"

It was my privilege to serve as master of ceremonies at the Alumni Association Homecoming Banquet. Since this event took place just a few weeks after Hurricane Katrina brought unprecedented destruction to the Gulf Coast, I shared a quote with the group assembled that evening in Guild Hall (a.k.a. Rat Hall, the Old Gym) related to the aftermath of the hurricane. It came from an interview on PBS with the actor Morgan Freeman. In responding to a question about the prospects for rebuilding New Orleans in the wake of such a disaster, he said something that gave me hope for that city while also making me immediately think of Saint John's. He said, "What makes any place is the soul of its occupants." Saint John's is indeed a special place because of the soul of its occupants...from those who founded it 150 years ago to those who occupy it today to those who will occupy it long into the future.



Greg Schumacher '91, Joe Mucha '66, Dan Whalen '70 and Dietrich Reinhart, OSB '71 toast at the announcement of Saint John's historic capital campaign.

CSB/SJU Homecoming 2005 – Great Weekend for Alumni and Friends

Homecoming 2005 was held on September 30-October 1, and provided alumni and friends of CSB/SJU with a wide variety of ways to enjoy their weekend back in Collegeville. The weekend kicked off on Friday night with the annual Alumni Association Homecoming Banquet. The Banquet program was filled with exciting news, including the presentation of the Fr. Walter Reger Distinguished Alumnus Award to Dan Whalen '70 and the announcement of **One Generation to the Next**, Saint John's \$150 Million capital campaign.

On Saturday, the Johnnie football team had a crowd of more than 10,000 in attendance as they played Hamline in true Johnnie style, winning 44-0. After the football game, attendees gathered on the "tundra" for music, family-oriented fun and a fireworks display. Throughout the weekend, the 2005 reunion classes gathered to renew friendships and enjoy their time back in Collegeville.

Homecoming Weekend 2006 will be on September 29-October 1 and it promises to be a similar success. Additionally, if you're in the class of 1956, 1961, 1966, 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996 or 2001, watch your mail for details about your class reunion on this weekend. We'll see you back in Collegeville!



John Brandl '59 and Dan Whalen '70



Classmates visiting during reunion brunch



Post-game fun for all generations

Future Events Mark Your Calendar!

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| January 22 | CSB/SJU Alumni Reception with <i>The Saint John's Bible</i> at the Joslyn Art Museum Omaha, NE |
| January 30 | The Saint John's Bible Reception at the Victoria & Albert Museum in London |
| February 8 | CSB/SJU Alumni Event Washington, D.C. |
| February 22 | SJU Midwinter Saints Network Luncheon Minneapolis, MN |
| March 3 | CSB/SJU Alumni Event Scottsdale, AZ |
| March 16 | St. Patrick's Day Party Naples, FL |
| March 16 | SJU Alumni Association Johnnie Standup Minneapolis, MN |
| April 21 | Saint John's Day Collegeville, MN |
| May 19-20 | CSB/SJU Alumni Volunteer Summit Collegeville, MN |
| July 17 | SJU Alumni Association Golf Scramble Twin Cities, MN |
| September 29-October 1 | CSB/SJU Homecoming Weekend Collegeville, MN |

For more information about these events and others, please visit www.saintjohnsalumni.com and click on "News and Events."



Frank Ladner '48 and Dave Durenberger '55

CLASS NOTES

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'69 Herbert W. Schulte
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'72 Robert S. Nasby
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'75 Thomas E. Brever
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'02 Matthew P. Schmit
'03 Joshua P. Fiedler
'04 Joshua J. Smith-Hanen
'05 Micahel L. Hahn

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1959

Donald M. Hall '59 has published a memoir entitled "A Man Learns." The book is available at www.itscabooks.com or by calling 1-800-901-3480.

1962

Denis Seguin '62 retired early in 2003 after 32 years as Midwest region manager for American Uniform Company of Tennessee. Denis and his wife Rita continue to reside in Hibbing.

Gerald Wocken '62 received his master's in Systems Engineering/Human Factors from the Univ. of Missouri - Rolla in May 2004. Jerry has been working for Boeing on the International Space Station for the past 16 years; his responsibilities include the human factors implementation team and

payload engineering integration. He and his wife, Mary, live in Huntsville, AL.

1969

Michael Veverka '69 relocated from his previous job as a "trauma radiologist" for 24 years at Emanuel Hospital in Portland, OR. He is now providing half the radiology services for Tillamook County. He enjoys his grandsons and traveling. In the past 3 years Michael has traveled to Peru, Africa (including climbing Kilimanjaro), China, France, England, Chile, Argentina, Spain and soon to Italy.

1970

Michael Ford '70 was elected secretary of the Minnesota State Bar Association for 2005-06. Ford will serve successive terms as treasurer and president-elect and then president in 2008-09.

1972

José Delgado-Figueroa '72 recently published a book entitled *Our Father Takes a Bride*. The novel deals with the issue of clerical celibacy. It is the story of a priest who marries when the Catholic Church drops its celibacy requirement. The book was

featured on the syndicated Andy Thomas Show and ABC News Good Morning Charleston in May 2005.

Dr. Charles K. Kaluza '72 was honored with the Special Board of Governor Award of the American Osteopathic Colleges of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery. Dr. Kaluza is retired from active practice and resides in West Linn, OR with his wife, Sheryle.

Robert Schulz '72 has relocated to Lake Geneva, WI. He has retired from federal law enforcement, but he still does investigative work as an independent contractor. Robert's two sons are Marines, one of whom is currently stationed in Iraq.

1975

Tom Backen '75 was inducted into the MN State High School League Hall of Fame on May 18, 2005 for speech and debate. For 21 years Tom has taught and coached at Benilde-St. Margaret's in St. Louis Park.

1976

Ed Poniewaz '76 celebrated his 20th anniversary with SSM Health Care in St. Louis, MO. SSM is the 1st health care organization in the country to be

Kevin Stangler '70

Kevin Stangler '70 is executive vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer for Security Life Insurance Company of America. He also serves on the Board of Regents for Saint John's Preparatory School. According to Kevin, CFOs have experienced heightened scrutiny of late because of issues where CFOs have made expedient and wrong decisions.

Kevin says, "Saint John's attracts a certain kind of student who is well-grounded in values, ethics and integrity. The entire educational environment reinforces your strong convictions and values." He explains, "In today's business climate, it is valuable not to be drawn into the position of having to make poor choices because that is not the way you've been directed to make choices or to live your life."

He recalls being favorably influenced by English Professor Steve Humphrey whom he says, "moved beyond the notion of teaching about a novel and philosophized about life in general."

Kevin is grateful for the strong network of Johnnies and Bennies in the Twin Cities that keeps him connected to his Saint John's education. "You come to Saint John's as students and you leave as lifelong friends creating a bond that stays with you forever." Part of that bond, Stangler explains, is being

accountable to one another. "You're a Johnnie and a Bennie all the time. The greater community also knows and understands that connection and people expect that they can take you for your word."

His family connection to Saint John's spans three generations. When his eldest son Dan, a Saint John's alumnus married a Saint Ben's alumna, there were 46 family members who had graduated from Saint John's and Saint Ben's, including his youngest son Jeff. "Both of my sons grew up going to football games and Homecoming at Saint John's with their friends. Now my oldest son is looking forward to bringing his seven month old daughter to this year's Homecoming."



Kevin Stangler '70

named a Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award (MBNQA) winner. Ed is a product specialist in the Physician Connectivity Dept.

1977

Rev. Daniel McMullin '77 recently became the director of Catholic campus ministry at Cornell Univ. in Ithaca, NY after 11 years as a parish priest.

Paul Schurke '77 was presented with an Environmental Hero award from the Wilderness Society in Sept. 2005. Schurke co-founded the Wilderness Inquiry with Greg Lais ('78), a ground-breaking non-profit adventure agency for disabled persons.

1978

Kim Beck '78 celebrated his 50th birthday by completing his 1st marathon in Longford, Ireland, only 10 miles from where his great-grandfather, Patrick Dunleavy, was born.

Michael Dean '78 has made a career change. After many years in state and local government, he started DEAN Painting, a residential and commercial painting and coatings business. In 2002, he lost the bid for the MN state house seat vacated by Governor Tim Pawlenty. In 2001, he co-founded a city charter commission for Eagan. His son began studies at St. Olaf College this fall and his daughter is a sophomore at Eagan High School. Phone: 651-592-1439; (e) michaeldean@att.net.

Greg Lais '78 the executive director of Wilderness Inquiry, was presented with a special award from the Wilderness Society in Sept. 2005. Lais co-founded the Wilderness Inquiry with Paul Schurke '77, a ground-breaking non-profit adventure agency for disabled persons.

Paul G. Theobald '78 was honored with the Distinguished Alumni Award in April 2005 from Univ. of Illinois College of Education, where he received his doctorate in 1990. Paul, the Woods-Beals Chair in Urban and Rural Education at Buffalo State College, has established himself as a national authority in the area of rural education.

1979

Rev. John Leonard Berg '79 is the senior librarian at Univ. of Wisconsin Platteville. He presented a paper entitled *Early German Immigration into the Minnesota River Valley* at the 29th society for German-American studies Symposium held at Grand Valley State Univ. in Grand Rapids, MI. He spent the month of July traveling through several eastern Slovakian villages studying emigration patterns among Catholics and Greek Catholics. The high-light of his trip was spending a day with Archbishop Jan Sokol of Bratislava.

1980

Kevin LaNave '80 is co-coordinator of service learning at St. Cloud Technical College as well as founder and director of the Center for Service-Learning and Social Change. The Minnesota Dept. of Education named Kevin recipient of the Passion

Dave Rehr '81 has been selected the new president and chief executive officer of the National Association of Broadcasters. The NAB is a full-service trade association that promotes and protects free, over-the-air local radio and television station's interests in Washington and around the world. NAB is the broadcaster's voice before Congress, federal agencies and the courts.

Previously Rehr was the President of the National Beer Wholesalers

Association. During his tenure at NBWA, Rehr became one of the most recognized advocates for his industry and small businesses in the United States. With more than 20 years of experience on



Dave Rehr '81

Capitol Hill and in the lobbying community, Rehr has been an outspoken advocate for entrepreneurs and small business before the federal government.

Rehr, who has a doctorate in economics from George Mason University, has been named a "Top Association Lobbyist" by *The Hill* multiple times, and has been featured in *Beauchum's Guide to Key Lobbyists*. Rehr has also been featured in numerous major U.S. media outlets, including the *Boston Globe*, *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, *Washington Post*, *Washington Times*, *New York Times* and *ABC World News Tonight*.

Award, one of its annual Outstanding Contributions to Service Learning Awards.

Wil Paleczny '80 retired from U.S. Army on Nov. 5, 2002 after 22 years of service. He is currently working for a company called, Engineering, Management, and Integration, that specializes in providing business solutions to the federal government. Phone: 410-371-5909.

1982

David Bromelkamp '82 is one of the founding partners of Touchstone Investment Consultants (www.ticllc.com), an independent investment consulting firm based in Mpls. that provides

investment advisory services to accredited and institutional investors. (e) dbromelkamp@ticllc.com.

Fred Lang '82 is currently on a long term consulting contract with Hennepin County as program director for electronic health records implementation. Fred and Lynette are proud parents of Alex, who is already a local celebrity. His early arrival in the living room made the front page in local papers.

Keith Maurer '82 is assistant general counsel and director of insurance and healthcare ADR services for the National Arbitration Forum. He chaired a program at the annual meeting of the American Bar Association in Chicago. The program, "Healthcare ADR: The Tidal Wave Arrives," discussed the growing use of and best practices for mediation and arbitration in the healthcare field. Panelists included Dr. John Nelson, immediate past president

Glen Hentges '73

Glen Hentges '73 is chief financial officer for The Permanente Federation, LLC in Oakland, CA.

"Certainly we're living in a time of great scrutiny of financial leadership. I believe the liberal arts background and environment at Saint John's provided a good basis in helping me make the right decisions in my business career," Glen explains. He adds, "The philosophy, theology, history and general liberal arts training have been useful."

In reminiscing about his college years, Glen says, "I attended Saint John's at a tumultuous time in the late 60s and early 70s and I identified closely with students who wanted to make major changes in the world. I think that the environment at Saint John's, although sheltered from much of the upheaval our country was going through, fostered the idea that it was our role to change and make the world better."

Glen concludes, "As I've gone on through my business career, I've helped influence public accounting laws and I've tried to mentor, counsel and influence new college graduates."



Glen Hentges '73

of the American Medical Association and Peter Leibold, CEO of the American Health Lawyers Association.

1984

Michael Smith '84 recently traveled to Jordan in the Middle East. King Abdullah, II invited his entire 1980 graduating class from Deerfield Academy, MA, to visit his country. His sightseeing included the Dead Sea, the ancient Roman city Jerash, Mt. Nebo (where Moses is buried), Petra, the desert of Wadi Rum, Aqaba, the Red Sea, and the site where John the Baptist baptized Jesus. The King is building the 1st coeducational boarding school in the Middle East.

Michael Wolf '84 resides at 2308 St. Anthony Parkway, Mpls. Phone: 612-781-7909; (e) michaelwolfd@s@aol.com.

Timothy A. Keegan '82

Timothy Keegan '82 is executive vice president and chief financial officer of Wings Financial Federal Credit Union in Apple Valley, MN. In addition, he is past president and treasurer of Valley Athletic Association in Apple Valley and he has been a volunteer on the budget advisory council for Independent School District #196, serving the communities of Rosemount, Apple Valley and Eagan.

Tim says, "My not-for-profit industry hasn't been taken to task the way publicly held companies have, but regardless, we need to act in an ethical manner. Ethical behavior is a basic operating requirement of any industry. I have found the best CFOs are values-based people with strong beliefs, who are willing to act on those beliefs and willing to stand behind them if challenged or questioned.

"I'm the product of 17 years of Catholic education," says Tim. "During my entire education from elementary school on, people cared about me and showed me that it is important to have a caring and other directed element to every personal and professional decision I make."

He recalls fondly the people and classes that permanently influenced his beliefs. "Jim Murphy was my first-year Honors instructor. The format of the class was open-ended discussions. Murph would throw out a topic and we would kick it around, debating the validity of our various beliefs. That class helped me with decision-making and my ability to look at issues from all different perspectives. It helped me to understand and solidify my deeply held views by requiring me to think them through and articulate them to others."

Tim adds, "I learned how to learn at Saint John's. By the time I graduated, I learned how to navigate my way through any situation I faced. My decision to go to Saint John's is one of the top five decisions I've made in my life. The quality of my education, the life-long relationships and the life experiences I encountered while at SJU have been tremendous. I'm very proud to say I'm a Johnnie."



Tim Keegan '82

1987

Paul Trewartha-Weiner '87 is a registered nurse in the thoracic vascular ICU at Mayo Medical Center in Rochester. He and his wife, Karen, have 2 children, Daniel (8) and Elizabeth (6).

1988

Greg Mueller '88 was commissioned by the Univ. of Mary and Annunciation Benedictine Monastery in Bismarck, ND to create a sculpture of Saint Benedict. The life-sized bronze sculpture was installed in Sept. outside their Center for Benedictine Leadership and Chapel. Mueller currently teaches sculpture at Bowling Green Univ. in Ohio.

1989

Timothy Lebens '89 is the director of marketing at Rite Hite Corp in Milwaukee, WI.

1990

Peter Amann '90 is the director of development & alumni relations for Mankato Area Catholic Schools. He and his wife, Angela, live in Inver Grove Heights with their 3 children, Jackson (4) and twins Lexie and Mason (1). Phone: 507.388.0617; (e) pamann@macsmn.com.

Robert Loegering '90 has been named chief radiology resident for the Michigan State Univ. radiology residency program at the Detroit campus. He is currently doing a one-year fellowship at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. He and his wife, Mary Lynn, hope to move back to Minnesota with their daughter, Anna, when he is finished.

Scott Retzlaff '90 competed in the Olympic Team Trials for Tae Kwon Do in March 2000. He retired from competition in 2003, but is making a comeback in 2005.

1991

Matt Anderson '91 is assistant general counsel for Minnesota State Colleges and Universities. He is a member of the Ramsey County Library Board of Trustees and the Arts Board; he previously served as vice chair for the Arts Board. Matt resides in White Bear Lake.

Kyle Notch '91 is the director of sales & marketing at A.R. North America, Inc. in Fridley.

1992

Patrick Carey '92 recently completed his residency in emergency medicine at Michigan State Univ. He is employed as an emergency dept. physician at St. Joseph's Medical Center in Brainerd where his family resides.

John Randall '92 has joined the Seattle Retirement Services office. John will serve as VP of sales; leading a team of retirement professionals in providing a comprehensive portfolio of retirement plan services to clients.

Rex Saukkonen '92 and his family moved from Albuquerque to Europe in October 2005. His career with the military brought Rex and his family to the UK. They are living about 30 miles from Heathrow airport, northwest of London. He will be working as

the chief of combat search and rescue for NATO out of Royal Air Force Base (RAF) High Wycombe.

Tom Schutte '92 completed the Canadian Ironman triathlon. The triathlon consisted of a 2.4 mile swim, 112 mile bike and a 26.2 mile run. His time was 11:19.00, placing him 310th out of 2245 athletes.

Steve Vander Louw '92 has a new job at 3M as an APAC business development manager which will bring him and his family to Singapore. Their new address is, 2 Draycott Park, #02-02 Hampton Court, Singapore, 259386.

1993

James Ungar '93 resides at 1105 Merritt Court, Shakopee. Phone: 952-496-1174.

1994

Bob Bell '94 left the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in Washington, DC. He now practices securities law in New York at Clifford Chance US LLP. (e) robertdbell@hotmail.com.

Patrick Foley '94 is the manager of branch operations at Securion Financial Services in St. Paul.

Todd Vanyo '94 recently left Boston Scientific after 3 years. He is now the director of research and development at Chata Biosystems, Inc. in Fort Collins, CO. He is working on his 2nd master's degree. In September of 2004 his daughter, Naomi Grace, was born.

1995

Will Buttell '95 resides at 115 Sunset Dr, Otley, IA. Phone: 515-971-8072; (e) wbuttell@hotmail.com.

Michael Cronkhite '95 is the director of sales at Sagebrush Corporation in Mpls.

Brian Doner '95 recently left Tubular Steel Inc. in Philadelphia where he was a regional sales manager. He is now the district manager of the Mid-Atlantic region for Eli Lilly & Company.

Ken Twyman '95 is a corporate sponsorship sales manager for the Minnesota Timberwolves.

1996

Chad Ericson '96 resides at 851 Country Club Dr PO Box 97, Akron, IA. Phone: 712-568-3959; (e) cdericson@hotmail.com.

Drew Gottfried '96 received his degree in Osteopathic Medicine from Kansas City Univ. of Medicine and Bioscience in May 2005. He is a medical resident at MetroHealth Medical Center in Cleveland, OH.

Ben Kmetz '96 is the senior account executive at Blattell Communications, a leading California-based business-to-business marketing and public relations agency. The agency has been the recipient of 3 Communicator Awards for outstanding print publicity campaigns on behalf of clients Townsend and Townsend and Crew, McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. and Trammell Crow Company.

1997

Karl B. Anderson '97 has been promoted to chief financial officer for Dunlar Construction, a full service

Brendon van der Hagen '90

Brendon van der Hagen '90 is chief financial officer for Viking Coca-Cola Bottling Company in St. Cloud, MN. He also serves on the St. Cloud Chamber of Commerce Leadership program, is a member of a National Coca-Cola Procurement Committee and is active in St. Boniface Catholic Church in Cold Spring.

"In today's environment, strong business ethics is one of the primary drivers and the issue that most attention is given to regarding publicly-held companies," he says. Although Viking Coca-Cola Bottling is a family-owned business, which is not held to the same legal standards, Brendon explains, "In this family-owned business, ethical concerns are just as strong if not stronger than those in publicly-held companies."

Brendon says Saint John's is steeped in morals and ethics, stating, "Saint John's has done an excellent job with its technical teaching but its real impact is on the moral and ethical development as opposed to just giving us the technical competence. We developed those morals and ethics through our relationships with fellow students and the faculty advising us in this isolated community. There were not a lot of specific teachings on ethics, but with the high caliber of students and the expertise of faculty, these values were expected."

Tom Murray, Brendon's accounting professor, served as a model example. "Tom is someone who has a very strong faith and he lives his life that way. He had a way of combining his faith and his expertise into a solid business approach. He genuinely cared about his students. He wanted them to succeed and to be prepared for what they were heading for in the real world."

Upon graduation, Brendon worked at an international public accounting firm in a large metropolitan area for two years and says he discovered that he was not comfortable in that work environment, which he found to be inconsistent with his lifestyle values and career goals.

He chose to return to the St. Cloud area and says he is happy to be working for a family-owned company that supports a balanced lifestyle which allows him to spend valuable time with his wife and two daughters. He says, "The allure to corporate America is always there. You can rub elbows with the rich and famous, but if that's not who you are, well then it doesn't mean much."



Brendon van der Hagen '90

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construction firm with offices in St. Cloud and the Twin Cities.

Shane Jacobs '97 graduated from Navy Fighter Weapon School – Top Gun as an air intercept controller. The 7 week course focuses on naval aviation, fighter tactics, command and control capabilities, treat country tactics and weapon systems. He is a naval flight officer in the E-2C Hawkeye.

1998

Aaron Barthel '98 is the owner of Intrigue Chocolates in Seattle, WA. (e) IntrigueChocolates@hotmail.com.

Matthew Colaizy '98 formed his own dental practice in June 2005, at 2042 St. Clair Ave. S, St. Paul 55105. Phone: 651-298-0024.

Jay Flicker '98 attended graduate school in Melbourne, FL where he received his doctorate in Clinical Psychology. He completed his residency in behavioral medicine, immunology and hepatology at Jackson Memorial Hospital and Miami Veteran's Affairs Medical Center. He is currently the clinical director of the largest HIV/AIDS community based AIDS service organization in central Florida. He was recently the international keynote speaker in Trinidad and Tobago for the Caribbean Institute of Alcohol and Drug Problems annual convention.

Jason Hartmann '98 received his master's in Education from St. Mary's Univ. of Minnesota in June 2005. He is employed by the St. Anthony/New Brighton School District.

Eric Otremba '98 graduated in May 2005 from Marquette Univ. with a master's in history. He has moved back to the Twin Cities and has entered the doctorate program at the Univ. of Minnesota. (e) ericotremba@hotmail.com.

Ryan Wegner '98 is attending Gooding Institute of Nurse Anesthesia. He is the president of the Florida Association of Student Nurse Anesthetists.

1999

Jake Bastien '99 and his wife, Becky Bastien ('99) reside in Escondido CA. They both work for Rose Business Solutions, a Microsoft Gold Certified Partner. Jake is currently the director of technical services and Becky is a development lead. He can be reached at, (e) jake.bastien@rosebizinc.com.

Timothy Enright '99 left in July 2005 for Baghdad. He has been assigned to the US Embassy and will be working for the political/military section. His team will ensure that training for the Iraqi police and security force remains on track. He can be contacted at, American Embassy, Attn: Political/Military Section Timothy Enright, APO AE 09316. (e) tjenright@hotmail.com.

Ross Kopher '99 is currently researching tissue engineering at the Univ. of Illinois at Chicago to complete his doctorate in bioengineering.

2000

Steven Aldrich '00 is a resident physician in the Duluth Family Practice Residency Program.

Timothy Foley '00 is a teacher in the Rocklin

School District in Rocklin, CA.

Matthew Nugent '00 is a developmental chemist at Universal Display Corporation in Ewing, NJ.

Jeremy Richart '00 served in Armenia as a Peace Corps volunteer from 2002-2004. He taught 4th and 5th grade at a Quality Schools International in Yerevan, Armenia. He is now attending Illinois State Univ. as a Peace Corps Fellow for his master's in political science with a sequence in applied community development. He is a graduate assistant with the Town of Normal Downtown Development Office.

Christopher Stratman '00 is teaching in Chile. (e) castratman@hotmail.com.

2001

John Boerboom '01 graduated in May 2005 from Johns Hopkins Univ. - School of Advanced International Studies with a Master of Arts degree in international economics. His specialty is U.S. - East Asian relations. He will be working for the United States Government.

John Fehr '01 graduated from Loyola Univ. Chicago with a doctorate in philosophy.

Brian Jarstad '01 graduated from Hamline Univ. School of Law in May 2004. He is a staff consultant at Ernst & Young in Mpls. and is married to Valerie (Meyer '00).

Grant Litfin '01 is beginning the dissertation phase of his doctorate degree at USC and hopes to complete it in about a year and a half. He is currently an assistant principal at Bert Lynn Middle School in Torrance, CA. He and his wife, Heather, were married on July 12, 2003.

Matt Merten '01 graduated in of spring 2005 from Notre Dame with a master's degree in music. He landed his dream job, assistant band director at Notre Dame.

Adam Prybelski '01 is a consultant with Matrix Associates in Mpls.

John Ward '01 received his Doctor of Chiropractic on July 22, 2005 from Northwestern College of Chiropractic in Bloomington.

Jason Wittak '01 is a Jr. High youth minister at St. Joseph the Worker in Maple Grove.

2002

Michael Ashfield '02 is living and working in Santa Cruz, CA. He is getting his post-baccalaureate degree in professional writing online through Northern Arizona Univ. He is employed by HeartMath LLC as a marketing communications coordinator.

Nicholas Behm '02 is currently teaching English at Arizona State Univ. and is finishing his doctorate with an emphasis in rhetoric and composition.

Josh Eager '02 is the lead IT auditor at ATK in Edina.

Drew Engelman '02 graduated in Dec. 2004 from Univ. of Mary, Bismarck, ND. He received a business administration degree with a major in finance. He is the branch manager/consumer loan officer at Bank Center First, Bismarck, ND.

Mark Kupfer '02 is the IT manager at Sound Capital Management in Eden Prairie.

Luke Witt '02 left the United States and is heading to Australia to play basketball. He will be south of Perth in Mandurah playing for the Mandurah Magic.

2003

Michael Absmaier '03 is a credit controller at Amer Sports Europe in Munich Germany.

Matthew Bauer '03 & Sally Schubert ('03) recently got engaged and are planning a June '06 wedding. They moved to Boston and Michael will be attending optometry school at the New England College of Optometry.

Luke Doubler '03 is the division manager at Management Recruiters of Bloomington.

Garrett Litfin '03 is a 1st Lieutenant in the Marine Corps. He has completed Officer Candidate School and the Basic School, both in Quantico, VA. He graduated from Basic School as a 2nd Lt. in the Marine Corps., earning a MOS in aviation training. He attended Primary School in Pensacola, FL. Garrett has been commissioned as a 1st Lt. and has been trained on the T-34 airplane and on the TH-57 Sea Ranger helicopter.

Frank McQuillan '03 graduated in May, 2005 from the College of Notre Dame of Maryland. He received his Master of Arts degree in teaching. He teaches social studies at The Catholic High School of Baltimore.

Gavin Poindexter '03 graduated in May, 2005 from the Univ. of Iowa. He received a master's degree in transportation & environmental/land use planning. He is a research fellow at Humphrey Institute, Univ. of Minnesota.

Luke Vestrum '03 is an account executive at Colle+McVoy in Bloomington.

2004

Charles Fowler '04 is a demand planning analyst for Best Buy in Richfield.

2005

Nate Armstrong '05 is the 2005 Minnesota Collegiate Entrepreneur. Nate was assisted by the McNeely Center throughout the year. He used volunteer advice to help him build his business skills and face various business challenges. After graduation Nate began a new management trainee position at Target.com. He joined the McNeely Entrepreneurship Center Advisory Board in July 2005.

Daniel Lauer '05 is currently living in Joetsu City, Japan and working as an assistant language teacher through the JET program. He can be reached at (e) daniel.lauer@gmail.com.

Jonathan Lockhart '05 is a project manager at PariPassu Development Corp. in Mpls.

Brent A. Petersen '05 is an insurance agent with Farmers Insurance in Plymouth.

Robert Pfeiffer '05 is a personal financial advisor with John Hancock in Maple Grove.

William T. Rogers '05 is an account executive with Five Point Capital in San Diego, CA.

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Marriages

'89 Kathleen Smith to **Henry "Larry" Reichert** '89, Aug. '04
 '91 Christine Scott to **David Minke** '91, June '05
 '93 Orit Kobany to **Dominic Ackerman** '93, June '05
 '93 Leah Pavek to **Brian Carpenter** '93, Sep. '04
 '94 Amy to **Luke Bassett** '94, Jan. '05
 '95 Julie Rodriguez to **Daniel Jost** '95, Sep. '05
 '96 Connie (Goeden '97) to **Andrew Gottfried** '96, Apr. '05
 '97 Stephanie Froehle to **Mark Sterk** '97, Apr. '05
 '98 Juliette Kish to **Rich Bellefeuille** '98, July '05
 '98 Robin Engberg to **Patrick Marushin** '98, June '05
 '98 Amy Maciasek to **Nate Omann** '98, Aug. '05
 '99 Theresa (Hanish '99) to **Douglas Covert** '99, July '05
 '99 Jennifer (Neegaard '99) to **Dugan Flinn** '99, Sep. '02
 '99 Jennifer Hulett to **John Haws** '99, July '05
 '99 Anne Nemeth to **Steven Kimble** '99, July '05
 '99 Courtney (Wolff '02) to **Bradley Messerich** '99, May '04
 '00 Sara (Ryan '00) to **Ryan Brown** '00, June '05
 '00 Sarah (Pangerl '00) to **Jeff Hildebrand** '00, June '04
 '00 Stacy (Kaye '01) to **Nigel Nagassar** '00, Aug. '05
 '00 Carolyn (Merrill '02) to **Joseph Reilly** '00, June '05
 '00 Julija Sidorova to **John Wulff** '00, May '05
 '00 Joyce Wesley Fletcher to **Cody John Zilverberg** '00, June '05
 '01 Niki (Anderson '01) to **Matt Andrews** '01, July '05
 '01 Angela (Busse '01) to **Arthur Boylan** '01, Oct. '04
 '01 Dana (Kelly '02) to **Eric Brever** '01, May '04
 '01 Kirsten Anderson to **Chuck Bublitz** '01, Aug. '03
 '01 Mollie Mohr to **Ryan Dusha** '01, July '04
 '01 Shannon (Hogan '01) to **Anthony Grazzini** '01, Aug. '05
 '01 Emily (Wright '03) to **Steven Hoemberg** '01, June '05
 '01 Kelly (Hammer '01) to **Brian Johnson** '01, June '05
 '01 Kelly (Lauzon '01) to **Matthew Lloyd** '01, Oct. '05
 '01 Nicole (Tuma '01) to **Jeffrey Macalena** '01, May '05
 '01 Alissa (Verschaetse '01) to **Chris Salvato** '01, July '05

'02 Gretchen (Gates '02) to **Eric Benson** '02, Oct. '05
 '02 Kimberly (Olson '02) to **Brad Beyer** '02, Apr. '05
 '02 Laura (Sufka '02) to **Jeffrey Campbell** '02, July '05
 '02 Shelley (Saewert '02) to **Ryan Egan** '02, Aug. '05
 '02 Krista (Johnson '02) to **James Hagen** '02, May '05
 '02 Laura (Holton '02) to **Eric Hendrickson** '02, May '05
 '02 Summer Thelen to **Jaime Hommerding** '02, Sep. '05
 '02 Victoria Robinson to **Jeffrey Jurek** '02, June '05
 '02 Kara (Richter '01) to **Adam Lomen** '02, June '05
 '02 Sarah (Buller '02) to **Aaron Mohs** '02, May '05
 '02 Kelly (Taylor '04) to **Jed Olson** '02, Jan. '05
 '02 Jennifer (Zard '02) to **Jeffrey Schoenecker** '02, Oct. '04
 '02 Martina Marthaler to **Brian Willegalle** '02, Aug. '05
 '02 Jannah to **Ryan Wittwer** '02, June '04
 '03 Vanja (Sinanovic '05) to **Michael Absmaier** '03, Jan. '05
 '03 Emily (Drake '03) to **Jason Bauer** '03, Sep. '05
 '03 Amanda (Gustafson '04) to **Andrew Burns** '03, July '05
 '03 Sara Maciej to **John Crever** '03, July '05
 '03 Jennifer (Sainsbury '03) to **Joshua Fiedler** '03, Sep. '05
 '03 Rachel (Deutz '04) to **Justin Holmgren** '03, June '05
 '03 Janel (Anderson '03) to **Michael Holth** '03, July '05
 '03 Jessica (Johnson '01) to **Ryan Keating** '03, July '05
 '03 Carrie (Buysse '01) to **Ryan Kelley** '03, June '04
 '03 Anne (Svoboda '03) to **Todd Kosel** '03, Aug. '05
 '03 Lindsay (Etter '03) to **John McCarthy** '03, Aug. '05
 '03 Laura (Herbst '03) to **Andrew Sherburne** '03, July '05
 '03 Katie (DesLauriers '03) to **Thomas Sullivan** '03, July '05
 '03 Tiffany (Wagenbach '03) to **Brian White** '03, Aug. '05
 '04 Sara (Jacobsen '04) to **Matthew Bergmann** '04, July '05

'04 Melissa (Floeder '05) to **Nathaniel Dalbec** '04, June '05
 '04 Dayna (Logering '05) to **Stephen Francis** '04, June '05
 '04 Sara C. (Lieser '06) to **Jeremy Goltz** '04, May '04
 '04 Abigail (Meyer '02) to **Jeremy Hood** '04, Aug. '05
 '04 Tasha (Weiss '04) to **Michael Huffman** '04, June '05
 '04 Heather Pilarski to **Richard Martinson** '04, Sep. '05
 '04 Amy (Martinka '05) to **Dustin Schuett** '04, July '05
 '04 Amanda (Fricke '04) to **Peter Simone** '04, May '05
 '05 Jill (Bauer '06) to **Kyle Brehm** '05, July '05
 '05 Michelle (Boys '05) to **Casey Campbell** '05, June '05
 '05 Jennifer (Tarmann '05) to **Joshua Day** '05, Jan. '05
 '05 Kelly (Becker '05) to **Jonathan DeWein** '05, May '05
 '05 Amber (Lange '05) to **Luke Kalla** '05, Oct. '05
 '05 Sarah (O'Donnell '05) to **Christopher Nolan** '05, Aug. '05
 '05 Nicole Zirbes to **Nick Schendel** '05, July '05
 '05 Taleen (Elias '05) to **Ryan Sele** '05, July '05
 '05 Emily (Terpstra '05) to **Adam Utsch** '05, May '05

Births/Adoptions

'78 Deborah & **Ed Ryan** '78, boy, Winslow, Sep. '05
 '80 Beth & **Lawrence Rocheford** '80, boy, David, Feb. '05
 '81 Jane & **Joe Cavanaugh** '81, girl, Teresa, June '05
 '82 Lynette & **Fred Lang** '82, boy, Alexander, Jan. '05
 '83 Julie & **Greg Jaunich** '83, boy, Michael, May '05
 '84 Cathy (Schlangen '84) & **Hans Alwin** '84, girl, Natalie, Apr. '05
 '85 Amy & **Paul Elskamp** '85, boy, Joseph, Apr. '05
 '87 Jodi & **Dave Maas** '87, boy, Luke, May '05
 '87 Bethany & **Jacob Muhvic** '87, twins, Jack and Madalyn, Jan. '05
 '88 Renee & **Brian Clark** '88, girl, Lilly, Feb. '05
 '88 Yvonne & **Tom Eggert** '88, girl, Jenna, July '04
 '88 Yvonne & **Tom Eggert** '88, girl, Laura, Feb. '05
 '88 Christine (Rettler '88) & **Gregory Page** '88, boy, John, June '05

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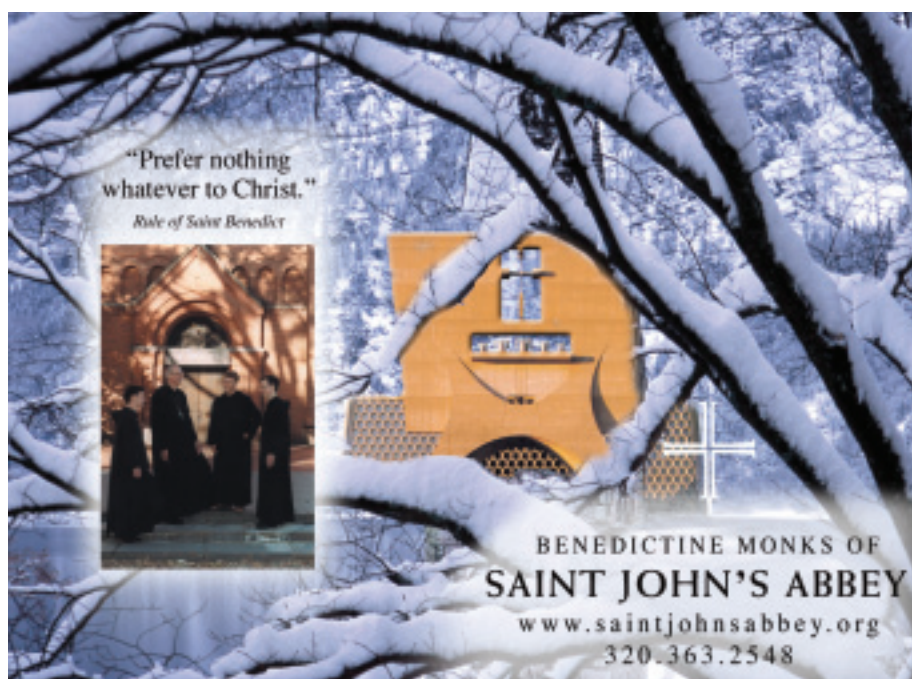
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| '89 Maria Theresa Doce '89 & James Burke '89, girl, Sofia Doce Burke, May '03 | '92 Caprice & Todd Bass '92, boy, Connor, June '05 | '93 Christa & Tony Reimer '93, girl, Veda, Mar. '05 |
| '89 Molly & Jeff Gewedik '89, girl, Sophie, Apr. '05 | '92 Jody & Patrick Carey '92, boy, Finnean, Nov. '04 | '93 Michelle (Holschuh '93) & Robert Simmons '93, boy, Benedict, Apr. '05 |
| '89 Margaret & David Heisler '89, girl, Evelyn, Mar. '05 | '92 Tina (Bushy '94) & Kai MacDonald '92, boy, Kainoa, Dec. '01 | '93 Angela (Smith '95) & Matthew Smalley '93, boy, Leo, May '05 |
| '89 Dianna (Symalla '87) & Allan Hunt '89, boy, Brandon, May '99 | '92 Tina (Bushy '94) & Kai MacDonald '92, boy, Mataio, Nov. '03 | '93 Jennifer (Spindler '93) & Michael Spindler-Krage '93, girl, Sophia, Sep. '05 |
| '89 Dianna (Symalla '87) & Allan Hunt '89, boy, Devin, Aug. '02 | '92 Kristi & Todd Masser '92, boy, Kerrick, Apr. '05 | '93 Janelle & Dennis Wenzel '93, boy, Evan, Jan. '05 |
| '89 Dianna (Symalla '87) & Allan Hunt '89, boy, Rylan, Apr. '05 | '92 Jennifer & Joseph Moore '92, girl, Lyden, Apr. '05 | '94 Michelle & Paul Chestovich '94, girl, Katie, Sep. '05 |
| '89 Lisa '92 & Thomas Lonneman-Doroff '89, boy, Connor Patrick, Oct. '04 | '92 Paula & Randall Sturm '92, girl, Brooklyn, Aug. '05 | '94 Tamara (Thomas '94) & John D'Amico '94, girl, Isabella, Apr. '04 |
| '89 Diana & Jonathan Paradeau '89, girl, Serenia, Apr. '05 | '92 Allison & Joe Tetrault '92, boy, Evan, Oct. '05 | '94 Connie (Gerads '95) & Christopher Fournelle '94, boy, Kellan, May '05 |
| '89 Lisa '92 & Brian Pfannenstien '89, girl, Jane, May '05 | '92 Melissa & Steven Vander Louw '92, girl, Nina, Aug. '04 | '94 Ana & James Gamble '94, girl, Mia, May '05 |
| '90 LaRae (Giese '90) & Michael Heaney '90, girl, Anna, July '04 | '93 Connie (Fernholz '95) & Eric Carlson '93, girl, Ingrid Sofia, Mar. '05 | '94 Stacie & Dean Holt '94, boy, Emmet, Sep. '05 |
| '90 Mary (Werner '91) & Robert Loegering '90, girl, Anna, Feb. '05 | '93 Leah & Brian Carpenter '93, girl, Kaelin Rose, June '05 | '94 Rita (Valencia '01) & Ryan McDonald '94, girl, Meaghan, Feb. '04 |
| '90 Kelly & Scott Retzlaff '90, boy, Eddy, Oct. '04 | '93 Jennifer & John Flavin '93, girl, Mia, Sep. '05 | '94 Alice & Brian Middendorf '94, girl, Janna, Sep. '05 |
| '91 Jamie & Timothy Flynn '91, boy, Timothy, Mar. '05 | '93 Dana (Auth '93) & Chris Fretheim '93, boy, Joseph, Sep. '05 | '94 Brenda (Geissler '94) & Matthew Ogle '94, boy, Leo, Sep. '04 |
| '91 Molly (Lynch '91) & Matt McKinney '91, boy, Eamon, Nov. '04 | '93 Christine (Cerkvenik '93) & Patrick Imdieke '93, girl, Margaret Kay, Apr. '05 | '94 Molly (Kuebelbeck '95) & Timothy Radaich '94, girl, Taylor, Apr. '05 |
| '91 Lisa (Westgard '93) & Anthony Ricker '91, girl, Mae, Mar. '05 | '93 Marnee (Swing '93) & Mark McGowan '93, boy, Brendan, May '05 | '94 Hillary & Tony Sandeen '94, boy, Thaddeus, Sep. '05 |

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- '94 Jill & **Brent Schmitt** '94, girl, Alaina, Aug. '05
'94 Aleta & **Darrell Schulte** '94, boy, Nick, Feb. '05
'94 Dr. Christina (Anderson '93) & **Brett Stolzenberg** '94, boy, Zachary, July '05
'94 Urania & **Todd Vanyo** '94, girl, Naomi, Sep. '04
'95 Wendi (Hamilton '95) & **Jay Anderson** '95, boy, Elijah, Oct. '04
'95 Christine & **Eric Chandler** '95, girl, Sammi, Jan. '05
'95 Kerry & **Michael Cronkhite** '95, boy, Gavin, Apr. '02
'95 Kerry & **Michael Cronkhite** '95, girl, Ellie, Dec. '04
'95 Shelly & **Justin Dekker** '95, boy, Charlie, July '05
'95 Erica & **Brian Doner** '95, boy, Walker, May '05
'95 Teresa & **Bob Donnett** '95, girl, Martha, Oct. '05
'95 Julie & **Jamie Dukowitz** '95, boy, Henry, July '05
'95 Susan (Tempel '95) & **Aaron Heil** '95, girl, Rachel, May '05
'95 Nicole & **Bernard Krenner** '95, boy, Brennan, Dec. '04
'95 Teresa & **Jason Kuboushek** '95, boy, Noah, Apr. '05
'95 Karla & **Ted Nett** '95, girl, Lauren, May '05
'95 Anne (Lewandowski '97) & **Jon Notch** '95, boy, Samuel, Apr. '05
'95 Emily (Fischer '95) & **Jason Roering** '95, girl, Julia, Aug. '05
'95 Janice & **Jack Ryan** '95, boy, Adrian, Apr. '05
'95 Michelle (Schiffler '95) & **Scott Scepianiak** '95, girl, Megan Mary, Apr. '05
'95 Janell (Hubley '95) & **Jason Wesenberg** '95, girl, Greta, Sep. '05
'96 Dawn (Gallett '96) & **Patrick Biren** '96, girl, Natalie Marie, Mar. '05
'96 Julie (Wolbeck '97) & **Corey Donat** '96, boy, Caleb, Aug. '05
'96 Krista (Hartman '96) & **Timothy Klecatsky** '96, girl, Campbell, July '05
'96 Billie (Stotz '97) & **Steve Kimman** '96, girl, Ashley, May '05
'96 Jennifer & **William May** '96, girl, Anna, June '05
'96 Sarah (Jensen '99) & **Anthony Meysenburg** '96, boy, Odin, June '05
'96 Kim (Gertken '97) & **John Prindle** '96, girl, Isabella, May '05
'96 Melanie (Crespo '96) & **Jacob Rouse** '96, twins, Ethan and Evan, May '05
'96 Susan & **Doug Stang** '96, boy, Henry, Sep. '05
'96 Alisabeth & **Timothy Truebenbach** '96, girl, Elaine, May '05
'96 Lisa (Johnson '97) & **Michael Wolf** '96, boy, Reid, Feb. '05
'96 Nicole (Vaia '95) & **John Wood** '96, girl, Madeline, Aug. '05
'97 Brooke (Draney '97) & **Tom Brownfield** '97, boy, Ethan Timothy, Mar. '05
'97 Jessica (Kettleson '98) & **Bryan Carroll** '97, boy, Sean, May '05
'97 Daphane & **Tom Corbett** '97, girl, Penelope, Sep. '03
'97 Morgan & **Steve Espeland** '97, boy, Jacob, Sep. '05
'97 Marie (Sykora '98) & **David Gatz** '97, girl, Gabriella, Dec. '04
'97 Jennifer & **Keith Gorney** '97, girl, Reese, May '05
'97 Bridget (Weber '97) & **Trevor Gruby** '97, boy, Jacob, Jan. '03
'97 Annie & **Matthew Jessop** '97, boy, Henry, July '04
'97 Anne (Noack '97) & **Paul Jones** '97, girl, Elsie, June '05
'97 Jennifer (Arnold '97) & **Jesse Kuechle** '97, girl, Madelyn, May '05
'97 Michele (Karnowski '96) & **Brent Lesmeister** '97, girl, Katherine, Dec. '03
'97 Tracey (Kieser '97) & **Patrick McGuinn** '97, boy, Aidan, Feb. '04
'97 Norah (Swartz '97) & **Stacy Morris** '97, girl, Margett Anne, Mar. '05
'97 Susan (Kannas '98) & **Brett Olsen** '97, girl, Annika, Apr. '05
'97 Shannon (Feneis '99) & **J. Scott Pitonyak** '97, boy, Brady, Jan. '04
'97 Michelle & **Nathan Plagge** '97, twins, Emily & Nicholas, Dec. '04
'97 Tina (Baggenstoss '98) & **Ryan Spanier** '97, girl, Brynn Ellen, Mar. '05
'97 Stephanie & **Mark Sterk** '97, boy, Hunter, Nov. '03
'97 Anita & **Josh Trutwin** '97, boy, Benjamin, Mar. '05
'97 Kelly (Gates '97) & **Michael Willette** '97, boy, Colin, Apr. '05
'97 April & **Jon Wood** '97, boy, Sawyer, Jan. '05
'97 Sandra (Breth '98) & **Joshua Woodrum** '97, girl, Paige, June '05
'97 Katherine (Vanselow '98) & **Michael Zuehlke** '97, boy, Graham, Apr. '05
'98 Jodi (Friedrich '98) & **Michael Berndt** '98, girl, Emily, Sep. '05
'98 Laura (Schwope '99) & **Josh Capistrant** '98, boy, Isaac, June '05
'98 Claudia & **Daniel Escobar** '98, girl, Daniela, May '05
'98 Brooke (Denne '00) & **Eric Fenstad** '98, boy, Grant, June '05
'98 Tracy (Lepper '97) & **Bryan Gilbert** '98, girl, Emma, Nov. '04
'98 Kadi (Kutchmarek '98) & **John Groppoli** '98, boy, Jack, July '05
'98 Karen & **Jason Hartmann** '98, boy, Benson, Apr. '05
'98 Jill (Mensing '98) & **Scott Kelly** '98, girl, Abigail, Apr. '05
'98 Melanie (Koll '98) & **Philip Kern** '98, girl, Emma, Jan. '05
'98 Angela (Schmalzer '98) & **Nicholas Kulenkamp** '98, boy, Ryken, May '05
'98 Kari & **Charlie Lentz** '98, girl, Ashley, Mar. '05
'98 Erin (Cady '98) & **Jeremy Macheel** '98, boy, Andrew, Sep. '05
'98 Kelley & **Jacob Nelson** '98, boy, Peter, Mar. '05
'98 Angela & **Dustin Paloranta** '98, boy, Eli, May '05
'98 Laura & **John Paulsen** '98, girl, Grace, Apr. '05





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- '98 Mae & **Bill Petrangelo** '98, boy, Joseph, June '05
- '98 Kameha (Altman '98) & **Jason Schwartz** '98, girl, Reagan, Aug. '05
- '98 Melissa & **Eric Stalboerger** '98, girl, Ava, Aug. '05
- '98 Sarah & **Denny Swart** '98, girl, Teagan, July '05
- '99 Kristin (Kuhlmann '99) & **Samuel Francois** '99, girl, Madeline, Sep. '05
- '99 Laura & **Jim Fuschetto** '99, girl, Lillian, July '05
- '99 Brenda (Garding '99) & **Steven Maus** '99, girl, Avery, July '05
- '99 Dana & **Shane Pemrick** '99, girl, Amelia, Aug. '05
- '99 Karrie (Schmitz '99) & **David Rasmussen** '99, girl, Allison, Apr. '05
- '99 Michelle & **Brent Rassier** '99, girl, Lauren, Aug. '05
- '99 Jocelyn & **Jason Rowe** '99, boy, Cullen, Feb. '05
- '99 Kari & **Matthew Schmitz** '99, boy, Brayden, July '05
- '99 Jennifer & **Lucas Weigelt** '99, boy, Cullen, Aug. '05
- '00 Sarah (Delly '00) & **Steven Aldrich** '00, girl, Stella, July '05
- '00 Amber & **Daniel Bentler** '00, boy, Evan, Jan. '05
- '00 Erin (Peterfeso '03) & **Chad Edlund** '00, girl, Lauren, July '05
- '00 Lavonne & **Matthew Hutchins** '00, boy, Andrew, Feb. '05
- '00 Melanie & **Michael Wirth** '00, boy, Isaac, June '05
- '00 Debra & **Bill Weber** '00, girl, Heidi, July '05
- '01 Jessica (Hansen '03) & **Christian Filiaggi** '01, boy, Mateo, Sep. '05
- '01 Gretchen (Schulte '01) & **Kristopher Kampshoff** '01, girl, Natalie, July '04
- '01 Lisa & **Andrew Loso** '01, boy, John, June '05
- '02 Anne (Sokol '03) & **Tom Kingston** '02, boy, Andrew, Apr. '05
- '02 Jessica (Anselment '02) & **Michael Pocrnich** '02, girl, Abigail, Sep. '03
- '02 Kara (Schultz '02) & **Timothy Rysavy** '02, boy, Nathan, June '05
- '02 Jenny (Sayler '02) & **Jeff Stender** '02, boy, Isaac, May '05
- '03 Rachel (Deutz '04) & **Justin Holmgren** '03, girl, Ava, Feb. '05
- '03 Dawn (Schueller '03) & **Russell Lammers** '03, boy, Luke, Aug. '04
- '03 Heather & **Juan Palm** '03, boy, Basil, June '05
- '03 Hannah & **Richard Spiczka** '03, boy, Brayden, Sep. '05
- '05 Jennifer (Tarmann '05) & **Joshua Day** '05, boy, Ian, June '05

Deaths

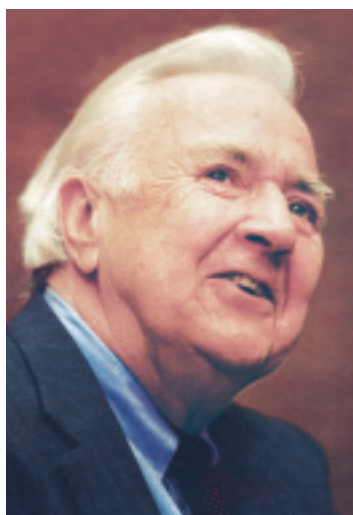
- '19 Clara S. Frey, spouse of deceased George '19, May '05
- '28 Michael C. Warzecha '28, Sep. '05
- '32 Frederick "Fritz" Stein '35, father of Elmer '61 & Jim '65; brother of Vic '40 & Fr. Benjamin, OSB '32, Aug. '05
- '33 E. Louise Kleifgen, spouse of deceased Carl '33; mother of Tom '70, June '05
- '35 Lawrence F. Hennes '35, Sep. '05
- '35 Frederick "Fritz" Stein '35, father of Elmer '61 & Jim '65; brother of Vic '40 & Fr. Benjamin, OSB '32, Aug. '05
- '36 Edmund L. Piotrowski '36, Apr. '00
- '37 George M. Korbel, Sr., '37, father of George, Jr., '65, May '05
- '37 Edward A. Nierengarten, Sr., '37, father of Edward, Jr., '61, June '05
- '37 Gil Stenglein '37, July '05
- '38 Alan G. "Jerry" Boese '60, brother of Frank '38, Sep. '05
- '38 Dr. Hugh Kohler '38, Jan. '01
- '38 Phyllis E. Prem, spouse of Virgil '38, June '05
- '39 Helen Michels, spouse of deceased Benno '39, July '05
- '40 Don Freeburg '40, Aug. '05
- '40 Pierre T. Hansen '40, May '05
- '40 Richard B. Jude '40, May '05
- '40 Mildred Robinson, spouse of George '40, Nov. '04
- '41 Doris Muggli, spouse of deceased Norbert '41, mother of John '84, June '05
- '41 Elvin J. "Dutch" Schaeffers '41, brother of deceased Earl '47 & Jerome '47, July '05
- '42 Harvey B. Beuning '42, brother of Don '44, Sep. '05
- '42 Rev. Silvan Bromenshenkel, OSB '44, brother of Rev. Fintan, OSB '42, July '05
- '42 Thomas W. Clemens, brother of Bill '42, Aug. '05
- '42 Margaret Lyons, spouse of Henry '42, Apr. '05
- '42 Dr. Ralph C. Riedinger, Sr., '42, July '05
- '43 Stephen W. Delyea '43, Apr. '05
- '43 Barbara J. Lofberg, spouse of Archie '43, mother of Michael '73, Aug. '05
- '43 David Morrow, son of Gerald '43, May '05
- '44 Rev. Silvan Bromenshenkel, OSB '44, brother of Rev. Fintan, OSB '42, July '05
- '44 James Gastenguay '44, Feb. '96
- '45 Dr. Maurice P. Carlin '45, Mar. '05
- '45 Roman Tembreull '45, Oct. '05
- '46 Rev. Victor Kinzer '46, June '05
- '47 Christine "Tina" Birk, mother of Jim '63; sister of Sylvester Theisen '47, June '05
- '47 Phyllis M. Ebnet, spouse of Vernon '47, Sep. '05
- '47 Robert A. Gambirino '47, brother of Frances O'Brian '48, Angelo '51 & Thomas '61, Aug. '05
- '47 Harry J. Novak '47, father of Thomas '75, June '05

- '47 Joseph Simonet, son of Edward, Jr., '47, May '05
- '47 Quinton Sullivan '47, Oct. '04
- '47 S. Dianne Theisen, OSB, sister of Sylvester Theisen '47, Sep. '05
- '48 George F. Cashman '48, Sep. '05
- '49 Hon. Donald A. Gray '49, father of Tom '74, John '76 & Kevin '82, Aug. '05
- '49 Joan Helling, spouse of Vincent '49, May '04
- '49 Peter J. Johnson '49, Aug. '05
- '49 Michael M. Murphy '49, Sep. '05
- '49 James T. Peterson, son of Donald '49; brother of William '96 & Richard '00, July '05
- '49 Stanton Wilfahrt '49, brother of Joseph '51, Aug. '05
- '50 Curtis Kaiser '50, Mar. '05
- '50 Cecelia Leisen, mother of Rev. Leo '50, Rev. Richard '52 & Donald '61, May '05
- '50 Ann Mueller, spouse of Armand '50, Apr. '05
- '50 Peter L. Nierengarten '50, May '05
- '51 Florentine Hyneman, spouse of John '51, Mar. '05
- '51 Kenneth Zirbes '51, June '05
- '52 Rev. David J. Rieder '52, June '05
- '52 Rev. Dennis L. Schue '52, Aug. '05
- '53 Richard Baenen '56, brother of Thomas '53 & Jerrold '54, July '05
- '53 Charles R. Freeman '53, Sep. '05
- '53 James V. Palmquist '53, June '05
- '54 Joseph Edward Foley '54, Aug. '05
- '54 Robert L. Forster '54, father of David '83, May '05
- '54 Gene LaFrance '54, brother of Albert '55, June '05
- '54 Lee Sorenson, spouse of Darrell '54, July '05
- '54 William A. Theisen, brother of deceased Abbot Jerome Theisen '54, Aug. '05
- '55 Nora Silver, mother of James '55, Aug. '05
- '56 Philip Anfang '56, June '05
- '56 Richard Baenen '56, brother of Thomas '53 & Jerrold '54, July '05
- '56 Clem J. Schoenbauer '56, June '05
- '56 David Willeke '56, May '05
- '57 John E. Bjork '57, May '05
- '57 Eugene Fujan '57, father of Bruce '85; brother of Edward '55, June '05
- '57 Verna Jane Muench, spouse of John '57, July '05
- '57 Quintin T. Rubald, Sr., father of Elliot '57, Quintin, Jr., '60 and Cyrenus '68, June '05
- '57 Janet M. Schiffler, spouse of Richard '57, June '05
- '58 Donald R. Farrington '58, Aug. '05
- '58 Monica M. Frost, spouse of Bob '58; mother of Mike '83, Aug. '05
- '58 Valeria Jambeck, mother of Tom '58, Sep. '05
- '58 Robert Tyms '58, Oct. '04
- '59 Agnes P. Yurczyk, mother of Roger '59, July '05
- '60 Alan G. "Jerry" Boese '60, brother of Frank '38, Sep. '05
- '60 George Chirhart, father of James '60, May '05
- '60 Irene M. Gross, mother of Loren '60 and James '81, Sep. '05
- '61 Elsie Jelinek, mother of Frank '61 & Thomas '63, Mar. '05
- '61 Carole D. Lund-Brockway, sister of Thomas Condon '61; mother of Kenneth '89, Sep. '05
- '62 Florence T. Liemandt, mother of Dan '62, July '05
- '63 Mary F. Buselmeier, mother of Dr. Theodore '63, Aug. '05
- '64 Rev. John Sandell '64, June '05
- '64 David A. Vessel '64, brother of Edward '64, June '05
- '64 Theodore Wolkerstorfer, father of John '64, Aug. '05
- '65 Darrell V. Keller, brother of Ken '65, May '05
- '65 Elizabeth A. Montpetit, mother of Joel '65, Aug. '05
- '65 Rev. Theodore T. Seneschal '65, Apr. '05
- '66 Rose Parker, mother of William Parker '66, July '05
- '67 Allan M. Friendshuh, brother of Keith '67, July '05
- '68 Colin J. Boyarski, son of Dan '68, Apr. '05
- '68 Cecilia M. Haehn, mother of John '68, July '05
- '68 Bernard L. Schultenover, brother of Steve '68, Sep. '05
- '69 Dr. Keith Kubasch '69, July '05
- '69 John E. Rieder '69, May '05
- '69 Milo H. Kubasch, father of deceased Keith '69, July '05
- '70 William Edgley '70, July '05
- '70 Esther A. Holmgren, mother of Ron '70, July '05
- '70 Bonnie Venne, mother of Donald '70, May '05
- '71 James Karn, brother of Bob '71, Aug. '05
- '71 Mary Tomporowski, mother of Thomas '71, Aug. '05
- '72 Lori Ann Gillespie, sister of Mark '72, July '05
- '72 O. James Howard, father of Richard '72, June '05
- '73 Fred N. Aulwes, father of Joseph '73, Sep. '05
- '74 Margaret C. Keiser, mother of Daniel '74 & Robert '77, Aug. '05
- '75 Donald W. Griswold, father of deceased Paul '75, July '05
- '75 Emil Klarer, father of Fr. Michael Klarer '75, May '05
- '75 Marcella Klarer, mother of Fr. Michael Klarer '75, June '05
- '75 Leroy E. Koopmeiners '75, Oct. '05
- '75 Marion I. Lambert, mother of Rev. Peter Lambert '75, Sep. '05
- '76 Gretchen Ann Hill, mother of Peter '76, Sep. '05
- '77 Terrence J. Davis, brother of Michael '77, Patrick '78 and David '86, Sep. '05
- '77 Frances Kalland, mother of Paul '77 & Kurt '79, May '05
- '77 Donald C. Merten '77, Aug. '05
- '77 Leola Mary Worm, mother of Ken '77, Sep. '05
- '78 James Brummer, Sr., father of Jim '78, Bill '81, Hank '83 & Dan '88, May '05
- '78 William Koska, father of Wayne '78, July '05
- '78 Mary Mader, mother of Fr. Stan '78, Greg '80 & George '87, July '05
- '78 The Rev. Jack LeRoy Overman, father of Andy '78, Oct. '05
- '78 Alex J. Staloch, father of Kevin '78, Mar. '05
- '79 Denise (DeSutter '80) Kutzke, spouse of Daniel '79, May '05
- '80 Helen G. Ehrmantraut, mother of Loren '80, May '05
- '81 Margaret I. Haertzen, mother of Mark '81 & Bill '88, July '05
- '82 Barbara Larkin, mother of Matthew '82 & Thomas '83, May '03
- '82 Wilford F. Lehmann, father of Steven '82, Oct. '05
- '83 Raymond R. Hoelle, father of Richard '83, July '05
- '84 Lawrence C. Schlichting, father of Daniel '84, Aug. '05
- '84 Frances Trobec, mother of Bill '84, Mike '85 & Tim '89, Aug. '05
- '85 Anthony Tabor, father of Marty '85, Aug. '05
- '86 Dr. David Brandhagen '86, July '05
- '86 Stephen J. Freund '86, July '05
- '86 Mary Stangl, spouse of David '86, Apr. '05
- '86 Mark Paul Vogt '86, July '05
- '87 James H. Dingmann, brother of Paul '87 & Rob '88, Sep. '05
- '87 Dale J. Goenner, father of Bradley '87 & Gregory '88, Sep. '05
- '88 Donald Berger, father of David '88, Aug. '05
- '90 Jane Ruby O'Gorman, mother of Patrick '90 & Peter '99, Aug. '05
- '91 John T. McManmon, father of Joseph '91, Aug. '05
- '93 John "Jack" Feltl, father of John '93, Aug. '05
- '94 Robert Christenson, father of Don '94 & Al '97, Aug. '05
- '94 Mary Ruth Dieser, mother of Dan '94, Oct. '05
- '95 Patty Buttell, mother of Will '95, Feb. '05
- '99 Rodney L. Buller, father of Roland '99, July '05
- '99 Gordon Lamb, father of Brandy '99, June '05
- '99 Judith Ann Swenson, mother of Joel '99 & Jeff '01, Oct. '05
- '00 Teresa Garcia, mother of Michael '00, Dec. '04
- '01 Noren Zimmerman-Obert, mother of Jesse '01, Aug. '05
- '02 Dennis Hanish, father of Bentley '02, Aug. '05
- '03 Andrew Morgan, brother of Dan '03, May '05

Of His Own Kind: *A Tribute to Eugene McCarthy '35*

by Al Eisele '58

Editor's Note: On December 10, 2005, Saint John's lost a dear friend and illustrious alumnus, Senator Eugene J. McCarthy '35. McCarthy came to Saint John's as a high school freshman more than 75 years ago and distinguished himself as an excellent student and athlete at the Prep School and the University. In 1942, he became a novice at Saint John's Abbey and remained a member of the monastic community for nearly a year. We are saddened at his passing, but we celebrate his brilliant life of service to others. To honor Senator McCarthy, the University has established the Eugene J. McCarthy Lecture Series to perpetuate his extraordinary contributions to political, intellectual and spiritual life.



I never called him Gene. It was always Senator, even during the many times we saw each other in the 40 years I covered him in the Senate, as a presidential candidate, and afterwards, when he became a kind of one-man Greek chorus, warning the nation of the perils that lay ahead if we didn't honor our commitment to the ideals and principles of democratic self-government. When I saw him for the last time a week before he died, I greeted him as Senator, knowing that I'd never help the frail bedridden figure celebrate his 90th birthday, as I had his 80th and 85th.

Eugene McCarthy was *sui generis*, literally "of his own kind." There was always something that set him apart, a space you didn't violate, an informal formality that allowed easy talk of politics and baseball and memories of Saint John's, good and bad, but left you with the feeling that you were in the presence of a special person. He was, of course, a politician, first and foremost, so skilled at the art of winning votes that he could walk through a bar on the Iron Range or in South Boston, and for days afterwards, people would say, "Hey, did you see Gene

McCarthy here the other night?" It was an instinctive gift, like that of a great athlete who is born with it and doesn't know or care where it came from.

But he was much more. He was a poet and writer who wrote more than 16 books, a philosopher deeply grounded in the Catholic faith, an honest-to-God intellectual who could quote Plato and Yeats and Jacques Maritain and who met Pope John XXIII and Marc Chagall but knew that a cow lies down one half at a time and gets up in reverse, and could describe how a chicken acts after it's decapitated. And he had a wicked wit that could decapitate a political foe or reduce an abstruse

piece of legislation into an easily understood idea. He infuriated his enemies and often perplexed his friends in his later years, but he also inspired countless people by his honesty and integrity.

Most of all, he was a man of courage who was willing to stand up at a critical moment in American history and warn the nation that it was engaged in an unwinnable war that was diplomatically indefensible, constitutionally questionable and morally wrong. When McCarthy announced his anti-war candidacy in 1967, the number of American military personnel killed in Vietnam was 15,858. When the war finally ended five years later, after he had left the Senate, the number was more than 58,000. In other words, more than 42,000 American lives, and countless Vietnamese lives as well, would have been saved had he been elected president.

His stand against the war was a singular act of courage that grows larger in retrospect and guarantees him a secure place in the history of his country. He was, as he said of his friend, the late Senator Phil Hart of Michigan, "a man out of his proper time, a man meant for the Age of Faith ... when men like Thomas More could make their last defense, beyond the civil law, in religious belief."

For more information on the life and writings of Eugene McCarthy '35, visit www.csbsju.edu/news/2005/12/mccarthy.htm.

A photograph of a man and a woman smiling. The man, on the left, is wearing a white cowboy hat, a dark shirt, and a large silver and blue bolo tie. The woman, on the right, has blonde hair and is wearing a white long-sleeved top. In the background, there are decorative elements including a large, ornate golden bow and some autumn-themed decorations.

ONE GENERATION TO THE NEXT

Michael Dady '71 & Kristi Skordahl

I might not have been able to attend Saint John's without scholarship help. And my experience as a member of this community since 1967 has been life-changing. My mentors at Saint John's convinced a young man who thought he was going to major in basketball that he had been given the gifts to be a serious student, for life, if he would just use those gifts.

For all this and more, I know I have a debt to Saint John's I can never repay. Kristi and I made this commitment to help Saint John's do something that it has done so well for so long—nurture students to be leaders in service to others. This is an appropriate investment in Saint John's and in the students it will be serving for years to come.

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April 5, 2006

Opening Day

Join us in Collegeville for an evening presentation on the opening observance of Saint John's Sesquicentennial commemorating the departure on April 5, 1856, of five Benedictine monks from Saint Vincent's Monastery in Pennsylvania for Minnesota.

April 30, 2006

Twin Cities Day – Church of the Assumption in Downtown St. Paul

Come celebrate with us the anniversary of the arrival of the Benedictine monks in Saint Paul on May 2, 1856, and the monastic community's long service to parishes and its commitment to ecumenism.

May 20, 2006

Welcoming Our Neighbors

You are welcome to join us in Collegeville for a community picnic celebrating the anniversary of the arrival of the five Benedictine monks in St. Cloud on May 20, 1856, and 150 years of Benedictine presence and commitment to community.

June 24, 2006

Feast of Saint John the Baptist

Come celebrate the Feast of Saint John the Baptist in Collegeville. This day also commemorates the discovery of Indianbush as the location for the abbey and its school.

September 29, 2006

Musical Day - Homecoming Weekend

You are invited to join us in Collegeville at an evening concert celebrating the Sesquicentennial musically.