In Memoriam

Pope John Paul II
Poetry’s Power: Adrienne Rich

Reading poetry is typically a solitary, quiet activity, or one shared with a small group of like-minded intellectuals mingling in a coffeehouse. However, when Adrienne Rich read her work on October 6, 2004, at Poetry-in-the-Round, the atmosphere was boisterous. Rich received a standing ovation when she entered the packed Kozlowski Hall Auditorium. She emphasized that the reading was “not only an academic event, but a community event as well.”

Rich’s poetry speaks to the issues that both define and divide the national culture: poverty, racism, sexism, violence and the struggle for survival against isolation and marginality. Her many honors include a MacArthur Fellowship and the National Book Award.

In Gear: Kevin Plank

Kevin Plank’s journey as an entrepreneur began while getting soaked playing football at the University of Maryland. In his grand-

Master of Biographies: Robert Caro

President Lyndon B. Johnson’s personal beliefs and formative experiences had a definite influence on his political actions, noted Robert Caro, speaking at Seton Hall University on October 14, 2004. The acclaimed presidential biographer gave the concluding talk in the four-part Philip and Mary Shannon Seton Hall Speaker Series, for which the theme was “Examining the Role of Values in Shaping the Presidency.” More than 375 people attended his talk. Caro authored The Years of Lyndon Johnson, of which the third volume, Master of the Senate, won both a 2003 Pulitzer Prize and a National Book Critics Circle Award. Caro’s first book, The Power Broker: Robert Moses and the Fall of New York, which chronicled the urban planner, won a 1975 Pulitzer Prize and was named one of the 100 best nonfiction books of the 20th century by the Modern Library Board in 1999.

Visits from Visionaries

mother’s basement, he set up his first office to sell his sports gear prototypes. The 32-year-old founder and president of Under Armour®, the Baltimore-based manufacturer of the original microfiber, moisture-wicking sports apparel, spoke at Seton Hall University on November 9, 2004. At the Stillman School of Business’ sixth annual Integrity and Professionalism Convocation, Plank offered an inspirational story of the entrepreneurial challenges and rewards. Under Armour® ranked as the second fastest-growing U.S. privately held company on Inc. Magazine’s top 500 list in 2003 and was named Sporting Goods Business’ “Apparel Supplier of the Year” three years in a row.
Pathways to Peace: Shimon Peres

“Peace is an attempt — an effort — to improve life,” noted His Excellency Shimon Peres, former prime minister of Israel, during his address at Seton Hall University on September 29, 2004. Peres spoke at the World Leaders Forum, hosted by the John C. Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations. During his visit, Seton Hall conferred an honorary degree on Peres. In 1994, the statesman was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his role in initiating the Oslo Peace Accords. Nine years ago, he founded The Peres Center for Peace as part of his vision for a “New Middle East” in which Israelis and Palestinians cooperate as individuals, as well as socioeconomically. Peres spoke about religion, war, terrorism, science and technology, among other themes surrounding his ultimate goal of world peace. He emphasized the need for understanding and acceptance of differences among individuals, and asserted that democracy is what equally enables everyone to be different.

Spirited Storyteller: Mary Higgins Clark

Integrity and professionalism were integral to overcoming long odds and becoming a successful novelist, Mary Higgins Clark told a full house at Seton Hall University on September 21, 2004. Having begun to write books as a young widow with five children to raise, Clark helped widen students’ perspectives by emphasizing the importance of the entrepreneurial spirit and the ability to seize opportunities. The best-selling author of suspense novels and mysteries addressed the annual Integrity and Professionalism Convocation, jointly sponsored by the Stillman School of Business and the College of Arts and Sciences.
Seton Hall Shares Papal Expertise with the World

Weeks before Pope John Paul II’s death, the media marshaled its resources and unleashed reporters with the intensity of a military campaign. For major media outlets, the nation’s richest repository of expertise on John Paul II, the papacy and Vatican issues was clearly Seton Hall University. Seton Hall’s priests, faculty and seminarians received calls from the global press, as well as national and local media, and fielded questions about the pope, his legacy, the papal transition, speculation about a successor, the conclave and, finally, Pope Benedict XVI.

Ever Forward
The Campaign to Build a Bolder, Brighter Future

The Seton Hall Sesquicentennial Campaign is poised to meet its goal of $150 million by December 2007. To date, the campaign has surpassed the 50 percent mark, with gifts totaling more than $80 million. In this special section, alumni, friends of the University and faculty share their stories about how Seton Hall impacts their lives, and how the many gracious gifts will be used to enhance and further build upon this great University.

Correction
Our sincere apologies to Paul Bader ’98 for the regretful omission of his photograph from the Many Are One photo spread in the Fall 2004 issue. No young alumnus would be more deserving of recognition. Seton Hall was proud to honor Bader with the Young Alumni Association Service Award at the Many Are One Alumni Awards Gala on May 22, 2004. Since graduation, the New Brunswick native has become vice president of the Young Alumni Association, and he continues his involvement with Sigma Phi Epsilon as chapter counselor and alumni board member.
Consortium Aims to Reduce Violent Crimes Against Women on College Campuses

Seton Hall University was chosen as the lead institution to administer and coordinate activities for a $400,081 U.S. Department of Justice grant to reduce violent crimes against women on college campuses. The Seton Hall University Consortium Violence Prevention Project will fund activities under a five-institution consortium whose members are Seton Hall, Jersey City University in Jersey City, New Jersey Institute of Technology in Newark, William Paterson University in Wayne and Ramapo College in Mahwah.

The program is designed to encourage institutions of higher education to adopt comprehensive, coordinated responses to the violent crimes of sexual assault, stalking, domestic violence and dating violence.

Each school will use grant funds to:
- train campus security personnel, local police, campus judicial board personnel, campus administrators and student leaders to better understand policies and procedures so that reported incidents are dealt with in an effective, coordinated manner;
- develop a mandatory education and prevention program for all incoming first-year students;
- develop a coordinated campus-community response to violence against women; and
- create a consortium steering committee that will coordinate efforts between campuses in the implementation of the grant project.

“Students deserve a safe environment. This program will enable five New Jersey universities to work together to protect women on their campuses.”
— U.S. Senator Jon S. Corzine (D-N.J.)

“Students deserve a safe environment,” says U.S. Senator Jon S. Corzine (D-N.J). “This program will enable five New Jersey universities to work together to protect women on their campuses.”

Many schools are addressing the issue of violence against women by developing campus-based victim services and coordinating the responses of campus law enforcement, health services, housing authorities, administrators, student organizations and disciplinary boards. To protect women and to hold offenders accountable, notes Gail Pakalns, Ph.D., it is vital to have a coordinated community response, undertaken in cooperation with the trained responses of municipal police and prosecutors. Pakalns is director of Health/Counseling Services at Seton Hall and the principal investigator for the consortium project.

“Seton Hall University is honored to be the lead institution in this consortium project to prevent violence against female college students,” Pakalns says. “As part of the project, we will create educational DVDs for incoming freshmen and hold expert training sessions on our campuses, in partnership with law enforcement and community agencies. Together we can make a difference.”
— Steven Carr

U.S. News & World Report named Seton Hall University among the top 125 national doctoral universities in its August 2004 publication. This designation places Seton Hall in the company of Boston University, Fordham University, The Catholic University of America and Rutgers University.

Each year, U.S. News & World Report evaluates colleges and universities in categories such as academic reputation, retention, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources, graduation rate and alumni giving rate. Also weighted heavily are peer assessments completed by college and university presidents, provosts and executive officers. Schools may be numerically ranked or placed in tiers, depending on their placements.

Seton Hall’s Stillman School of Business was ranked among the top 10 undergraduate programs nationwide at a Catholic college and is complemented by several nationally ranked graduate programs.

U.S. News & World Report’s “Best Graduate Schools 2005” lists Seton Hall’s Health Law & Policy Program No. 4 in the country, and in 2004, Seton Hall’s M.P.A. in Nonprofit Organization Management was ranked No. 7.

— Courtney R. Johnson, M.B.A ’04
U.N. Program Immeres Students in Global Diplomacy

To focus on the most pressing issues facing the United Nations today, Seton Hall University offers advanced undergraduates and graduate students a week-long summer program at the United Nations. Participants attend a session of the U.N. Security Council and interact with speakers at briefings about economics, social issues, development, peace, security and the promotion of democracy. This July, the topics will include the U.N.’s role in Iraq, the U.N.’s Electoral Assistance Division; the Global Compact, as well as peacekeeping, disarmament and terrorism.

The sixth annual U.N. Intensive Summer Study program of the John C. Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations will take place July 18-22. This program enables students from Seton Hall and beyond to gain exposure to the roles, norms and practices of the United Nations and its constituents.

The summer program launched in June 2001 with the United Nations Association of the U.S.A. (UNA-USA), a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that encourages active civic participation in the most important issues facing the world today. and all participants are encouraged to read the materials recommended by Smith prior to the program. For more information, contact Courtney Smith, Ph.D. at (973) 313-6203.

— Lori Varga

Sophomore Wins Miss New Jersey USA Crown

Meet Miss New Jersey USA 2005, Seton Hall University’s own Sylvia Pogorzelski! The 19-year-old sophomore from East Hanover, who won the state pageant in October 2004, is majoring in business administration with a concentration in international studies.

It was her parents, says Pogorzelski, who encouraged her to enter. For her, winning the title signifies “a sense of accomplishment in achieving something I would have never seen myself doing.” She hopes her achievement becomes an example for other Seton Hall students to believe in themselves and never give up their dreams.

Pogorzelski shone above 98 other contestants to win the coveted crown. Her extensive prize package includes scholarships and personal appearances. Pogorzelski represented her home state in the 54th Miss USA® Pageant in Baltimore in early April.

— Dorett Smith
The new flag will be a testament to the legacy of pioneers and future generations of the Seton Hall family,” Monsignor Sheeran says. “It will provide an opportunity to show the spirit of Seton Hall in a more colorful way than ever before.”

The quartered flag represents the coat of arms of both the Seton family and the Archdiocese of Newark, which form the University coat of arms when combined. The three crescents on the Seton coat of arms represent three coastal villages in Scotland — the “Sea Towns,” a possible origin of the Seton family name. The royal family of Scotland later honored the Setons by adding the design that borders the crescents — a Royal Tressure enriched with fleurs-de-lis. The blue and silver waves, taken from the Archdiocese’s coat of arms, represent the rivers of New Jersey. Silver becomes white on a flag, and thus blue and white also represent the University’s colors on the new flag.

Monsignor Sheeran says the flag will be prominently displayed on campus, especially in front of buildings. “It will be a natural complement to the Pirate statue, our longtime mascot, in front of the Richie Regan Recreation and Athletic Center,” he says.

— Lori Varga

A Bell-Ringing Beginning for The Trading Room

On October 19, 2004, representatives from the Stillman School of Business rang the closing bell at the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) to commemorate the opening of the Stillman School’s Center for Securities Trading and Analysis — also known as The Trading Room. This experiential lab, where students can access real-time financial market data via laptop computers, is located on the fifth floor of Kozlowski Hall.

In January 2005, the Stillman School received a $50,000 grant from the NYSE to advance The Trading Room, an initiative integrating theory and practice while enriching learning experiences and job readiness.

Ringing the icon of Wall Street were Karen E. Boroff, Ph.D., dean of the Stillman School, and Gerald Lipkin, M.B.A., chairman, president and CEO of Valley National Bank and the University’s NYSE sponsor. Joining in were Catherine Kinney, M.B.A., president and co-chief operating officer of the NYSE; William Aimeiti ’66, M.B.A., chairman of the Stillman School Trading Room Advisory Board and chief information officer of Depository Trust and Clearing Corp.; and Bill Wurtzel, Wurtzel Inc. Also helping to ring the bell were Trading Room Advisory Board members Gerald Buccino ’63, Ph.D., a member of Seton Hall’s Board of Regents and president and CEO of Buccino and Associates; Joseph J. Cary ’95, vice president of J.P. Morgan Securities; Tony Loviseck, Ph.D., chair of the Department of Finance and Legal Studies; James Malespina ’71, vice president of the Seton Hall Alumni Recruitment Program of the Alumni Association Board of Directors and a former Wall Street securities trader; Hal McIntyre, M.B.A., co-founder and managing partner of The Summit Group; and Murray Teitelbaum, director of educational services at the NYSE.

Pictured above in the front row, from left, are Teitelbaum, Cary, Kinney, Aimeiti, Lipkin, Boroff, Buccino and Malespina. Pictured in the second row, from left, are Wurtzel, McIntyre and Loviseck.

— Lori Varga
From his vision to promote “mutual understanding between people of the United States and the people of the world,” then-U.S. Senator J. William Fulbright created his namesake program nearly a half century ago.

Today, the Fulbright Program forms a vital cultural link — promoting mutual understanding and the free exchange of ideas — between the United States and more than 140 other countries. Seton Hall University is among the network of host colleges and universities engaged in this cultural exchange. Faculty members, independent scholars and students — in the United States and abroad — can apply to take part in Fulbright exchanges.

“Developing international understanding requires a commitment on the part of Fulbright grantees to establish open communication and long-term cooperative relationships,” says Wagdy M. Abdallah, Ph.D., professor of business administration in the Stillman School of Business. He received a 2005 Fulbright award to teach and conduct research focused on international financial concepts and standards in Middle East countries. His host institution was the University of Sharjah in the United Arab Emirates.

Fulbright alumni like Gisela Webb, Ph.D., director of Seton Hall's Honors Program and a founding faculty member of the John C. Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations, tell of how they return to their communities intellectually enriched. “My sabbatical year was a life-transforming year,” says Webb, referring to her 2003-04 Fulbright experience abroad. “I received a Fulbright lecture/research grant, with lecture duties in the Master's Program in the new Center for Religious and Cross-Cultural Studies at Gadjah Mada University in Yogyakarta, the oldest university in Indonesia.”

Webb’s research goal in Indonesia was to study interreligious relations and Islamic education. Her project took her to six of Indonesia’s more than 13,000 islands: Java, Sumatera, Bali, Lombok, Papua and Kalimantan (Borneo). “I believe we are seeing the fruits of the first generation that established an approach to building interreligious tolerance and knowledge,” she says.

Seton Hall graduate student Yevgeniy E. Oleynikov’s experience underscores the social aspect of the program. Studying at the College of Europe in Brugge, Belgium, under the auspices of the Fulbright U.S.-European Research Union Program, he describes the experience: “We are immersed in a multicultural and multi-lingual environment for nearly 10 months in a small, beautiful town just outside of Brussels. The students, nearly 280 in total, live in six student residences throughout the town. By now, I know a majority of the students.”

Oleynikov, who studies international relations at Seton Hall, was awarded this Fulbright grant based on his research proposal about the evolution of the European Union’s common foreign policy toward the United States. He is one of four graduate students selected for this specific program from 25 applicants, and the only master’s degree candidate — the other three are Ph.D. students.

When he completes his Fulbright stay, Oleynikov will find himself in good company. Fulbright alumni have become heads of state, judges, ambassadors, cabinet ministers, CEOs, university presidents, journalists, artists and professors. They have been awarded 34 Nobel Prizes. Since the program’s inception, 255,000 Fulbright Scholars — 96,400 from the United States and 158,600 from other countries — have participated. Each year, the Fulbright Program awards approximately 4,500 new grants.

The application period for the 2006-07 Fulbright U.S. Student Program opened May 1, and the deadline for applications is October 21. For more information on the traditional Fulbright Scholar Program, contact the Council for International Exchange of Scholars (www.cies.org), which administers Fulbright programs on behalf of the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

— Dorett Smith
Latin American art, culture, food and music have never been more popular. Much more than a fleeting fad, contemporary interest in all things Latino is fueled by a significant Hispanic population expansion regionally and nationwide. Thanks to its close proximity to New York City and Newark, Seton Hall University’s campus population reflects the expansion of Hispanic cultures and peoples in the region. In Fall 2004, 9.3 percent of undergraduates and 4.2 percent of graduate students were Latino/a.

To celebrate the “Latin Moment,” both on campus and in American culture at large, Seton Hall presented Voces y Visiones (Voices and Visions): Highlights from El Museo del Barrio’s Permanent Collection.

On view through May 13 in Walsh Library Gallery, Voces y Visiones provided a comprehensive grand tour of Latin American history and culture, from pre-Colombian artifacts (circa 1200 A.D.) to the vibrant, contemporary Latino art of today.

“Voces y Visiones showcased unique, thought-provoking works of artistic achievement from Puerto Rican, Caribbean and Latin American cultures,” explains Jo Ann Cotz, director of Walsh Library Gallery. “The objects exhibited are as varied as the subject matter. They include traditional Mexican masks and Andean and Caribbean textiles and devotional objects, as well as works by contemporary and conceptual artists.”

El Museo del Barrio was founded in 1969 in Manhattan’s Upper East Side as a cultural center for the Puerto Rican residents of East Harlem. More than three decades later, that small museum has evolved and expanded to become New York’s leading Latino cultural institution and the only museum in New York City specializing in Latin American culture and heritage.

Voces y Visiones marked the first time that Walsh Library Gallery hosted a national touring exhibit of this magnitude from an internationally renowned cultural institution. Sponsored in part by a grant from the MetLife Foundation, Voces y Visiones opened at the Heckscher Museum of Art in Huntington, New York, in fall 2002. By the end of 2005, the exhibit will have traveled to at least eight cities, including Tampa, Florida; Utica, New York; and Thomasville, Georgia.

The exhibit’s sojourn in South Orange was accompanied by educational programs and docent-led tours for elementary and high school students, as well as lectures, films, concerts and special events for the collegiate crowd and Seton Hall’s surrounding communities.

— Catherine Memory

A Grand Tour of Latin History and Heritage

**Juan Sánchez**, El Padre, El Hijo, El Espíritu Santo (The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit), 1995 lithograph with affixed color Xerox, 22” h x 30” w, Collection of El Museo del Barrio.

**Pepón Osorio**, La Cama (The Bed), 1987, mixed-media installation. The bed is 75” h x 67” w x 116” l, Collection of El Museo del Barrio.

**Norberto Cedeno**
La Mano Poderosa (The All Powerful Hand of God), c. 1950 painted wood, 11.5” h x 5” w x 3.5” d, Collection of El Museo del Barrio.
Golden Key Opens Doors to Success

In November 2004, Seton Hall University inducted 98 students into its inaugural chapter of the Golden Key International Honour Society. The largest honor society in the world, Golden Key has more than 350 chapters at leading colleges and universities. Golden Key is the University’s first honor society that is independent of a specific academic discipline. Juniors and seniors whose GPAs place them in the top 15 percent of their class were invited to join.

“Our members will benefit from the many opportunities now available to them,” says Barbara Feldman, Ph.D., associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. The international organization annually awards more than $400,000 in scholarships and encourages personal development through career, networking, leadership and service opportunities.

Feldman and Molly E. Smith, Ph.D., dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, are the advisers to the University’s chapter.

“We are excited about instituting our chapter of this esteemed international society,” says Smith. “Our chapter will be largely student-run, and the charter members will create an identity for the organization as it evolves.”

— Lori Varga

WSOU to Partner with Campus and Community

Mark Maben, the first full-time general manager of Seton Hall University’s radio station, is impressed by the strong sense of community within both the University and the radio station. Maben was appointed in August 2004 to guide WSOU 89.5 FM. Prior to joining Seton Hall, he developed and managed WDIY-FM in Pennsylvania’s Lehigh Valley and was associate director of strategic communications at Rutgers University.

In his new position, Maben finds people genuinely supportive of one another and willing to work creatively as a team. He plans to encourage an even greater communal effort by having the station promote and participate in more campus and community events, and by partnering with campus departments to air one-minute informational spots or public service announcements.

“There are many goals for WSOU,” Maben says of the station that began broadcasting in 1948. “Looking ahead, I want to ensure that WSOU offers better training for careers in broadcasting or music, that it is fully integrated into the communication curricula, that it is seen as a partner with the campus community and that it is a driving force in the community at large.”

Maben’s appointment coincides with the 40th anniversary of Hall Lines, WSOU’s men’s basketball post-game call-in show. To commemorate this milestone, the station brought back some of Hall Lines’ former hosts to “guest star” throughout the basketball season.

— Christine Yzaguirre
Rome Retreat Focuses on Mission of Catholic Higher Education

What is the role of a board of regents at a Catholic college or university? What type of faculty should a Catholic university hire? What does a core curriculum look like at a Catholic college? The Congregation for Catholic Education (CCE) addressed these questions and more at a meeting at the Vatican in October 2004.

“Catholic universities must enrich the Catholic character of the faculty, the curriculum, and in part due to the cost differential between public and Catholic institutions, according to the CCE. As a counter measure to these realities, the Neumann Society and other Catholic centers at non-Catholic universities are beginning to provide more than liturgical services. They are offering philosophy and theology courses and programs that reinforce the Catholic intellectual tradition.

While acknowledging that Catholic colleges and universities are never for Catholics only, encourage Catholic students’ practice of their faith in ways that are appropriate to their cultural environment,” said Archbishop J. Michael Miller, secretary to the CCE and former president of Saint Thomas University in Houston.

As the CCE’s second-highest-ranking executive, Archbishop Miller shared the congregation’s views on the role of Catholic colleges and universities with Monsignor Robert Sheeran ’67, Seton Hall University president, and members of the University’s Board of Regents and Executive Cabinet, during their retreat in Rome.

“A consistent majority of faculty at a Catholic university have to do more than be passively supportive of the Catholic mission,” Archbishop Miller noted. “A consistent majority of faculty have to be actively engaged in promoting the Catholic mission and preserving the Catholic intellectual tradition. We need people who embrace Catholic identity and

Catholic higher educational institutions “must have an intentionality to be counter-cultural,” noted Archbishop Miller. “A good student affairs office should be concerned about whether Catholic students attend Sunday Mass regularly and go to Confession.”

Archbishop Miller added, “The Congregation does not dictate the mission of a Catholic university, but we should challenge a Catholic university to live up to the mission it has established.” — Dorett Smith

For seniors Anthony Genovese, Anthony and Dante Monterosso, Tony Marotta, Pietro Ruggeri and junior Frank Alberga, one highlight of their study-abroad experience in Rome last fall was the celebration of Mass and a luncheon with members of the University’s Board of Regents and Executive Cabinet, who were on a day trip to Castel Gandolfo, the Pope’s Rome residence. Monsignor Robert Sheeran ’67, University president, in his homily during Mass at Sant’Agnese in Piazza Navona, acknowledged the students, saying: “You are the reason we are here.”

“The curriculum at a Catholic university, Archbishop Miller said, should promote the Catholic intellectual tradition. “The criteria for evaluating Catholic colleges and universities should not be the criteria we use to evaluate secular colleges and universities,” he noted.

Yet Catholic institutions must compete with secular colleges and universities for students — 90 percent of Catholic college students in the United States are enrolled at public institutions, Catholic and traditionally secular universities, with only 10 percent enrolled at Catholic institutions. Archbishop Miller pointed out that while this may be due in part to the cost differential between public and Catholic institutions, the reasons for attending Catholic universities are more complex.

Archbishop Miller noted. “A consistent majority of Catholic students attend Sunday Mass regularly and go to Confession.”

Archbishop Miller added, “The Congregation does not dictate the mission of a Catholic university, but we should challenge a Catholic university to live up to the mission it has established.” — Dorett Smith

Core Curriculum Tied to Catholic Mission

The Core Curriculum Committee, appointed by the Faculty Senate in November 2001 to develop a core curriculum that embodies a “signature Seton Hall University experience,” in October 2004 issued its first draft report. The committee proposes that Seton Hall students be educated systematically in six fundamental literacies:

Religious Literacy — An understanding of differing approaches to the study of religion and the ability to engage questions of life’s ultimate reality, power and meaning.

Ethical Literacy — A basic understanding of the specific nature of ethical inquiry and the cultivation of habits of mind and heart that help students see the place and function of ethical and religious traditions in a global setting.

Quantitative Literacy — Competency in numerical computation and quantitative reasoning to become effective managers in their households and engaged participants in their workplaces and communities.

Scientific Literacy — An understanding of scientific methods, including investigative design using objective reasoning and communication of results (peer review), as well as evaluating the impact of the natural and technical sciences on society.

Aesthetic Literacy — Aesthetic sensibility that enables students to appreciate and enjoy visual and auditory culture as essential aspects of culture as a whole.

Global/Historical/Cultural Literacy — Students’ ability to engage with a particular culture and tradition different from their own and the ability to apply the perspective of a particular discipline to an understanding of the particular culture being studied.

The committee developed its recommendations after surveying the general education requirements of many other institutions and having a series of discussions with Seton Hall administrators and faculty over a two-year period.

— Dorett Smith
Mentorship Makes a Career

Last summer, while attending a meeting devoted to the study of women in the deanship, Manina Urgolo Huckvale, M.P.A. ’86/Ed.D. ’94, associate dean for academic affairs in the College of Education and Human Services (CEHS), learned she wasn’t the anomaly she thought she was. “In our discussion, it became clear that many women do not take the traditional track of teaching, research and publishing to a corner office in academe,” muses Huckvale.

Huckvale’s climb up the “ivory tower” began via a detour through health care, but her roots were always in education. A speech pathologist and special education teacher in the United States and Canada for 10 years, she taught children with severe disabilities, compromised immune systems and tuberculosis.

Returning to her home state of New Jersey, she enrolled in the healthcare track of Seton Hall University’s graduate program in public administration and obtained a graduate assistantship in the College of Arts and Sciences. After earning an M.P.A. in 1986, she stayed on campus to serve as assistant to the dean of the College of Nursing.

In 1989, Huckvale once again explored a career at the intersection of health care and education. For two years, she worked as a health education specialist/grant administrator for the Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation in West Orange before returning to Seton Hall — and CEHS. “I have stayed at Seton Hall because of the family atmosphere,” Huckvale explains.

Several of Huckvale’s family members also have Seton Hall ties. Her son and daughter, Alexander and Lesley Dunn, attended Seton Hall. Her sister, Marie Drennan-Graves, is a secretary for Campus Ministry; her brother-in-law, Tom Graves, is a lead painter in Physical Plant, and her two nieces also work on campus. “When my children were here, we would occasionally get together for lunch in the Galleon Room, and we would always need to take over a big table,” Huckvale exclaims.

The diversity of professional opportunities that Seton Hall provides is just as important to Huckvale as the camaraderie she has found. Huckvale came back to the College in 1991 as director of field experience and certification. After a year, she moved into the dean’s suite, first as assistant to then-dean Bernice Bass de Martinez, Ph.D. and next as assistant dean for student and community affairs. In 2004, she was named associate dean for student, community and academic affairs, serving with Dean Joseph De Pierro, Ed.D. “In many ways, the deans — both Dr. de Martinez and Joe De Pierro — have opened my eyes to the many opportunities within the field of teacher education and higher education,” Huckvale says.

So, what does an associate dean for academic affairs do every day? Huckvale exclaims: “There have never been two days the same!” She oversees students’ fieldwork, contracts, grants and publications. She is involved in student recruitment, student advisement and curriculum review. As a member of several University-wide committees, she deals with diversity, academic integrity and retention. Within CEHS, she serves on several National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) accreditation subcommittees.

“The recent accreditation visit was a success due to teamwork among the faculty, and the College expects to be recommended for full accreditation in March,” explains Huckvale. NCATE accreditation will provide a prestigious, nationally recognized seal of approval of the College’s success at preparing competent, socially conscious, reflective professionals.

“While accreditation is of paramount importance, Huckvale is in the education business because of the students. “In my role, I get to solve a lot of prob—

“My goal is always to have students leave my office with smiles on their faces.”
lems, and I never turn any student away,” says the associate dean. “My goal is always to have students leave my office with smiles on their faces. At times I’ve even counseled students out of teaching when I could tell they would be more successful in other fields. And I have had so many positive experiences with students that I often continue to keep in touch throughout their careers.”

CEHS graduate assistant Tasha Toy attests to Huckvale’s close involvement with students and her mentorship. “As I embark on my dissertation,” says Toy, “Dr. Huckvale has continued her investment in my development as a woman, scholar and citizen of a global community.”

Being an excellent mentor comes naturally to Huckvale, and, in turn, she credits her own mentors with guiding her in a slightly atypical path to higher education administration. They helped her to realize she had transferable skills, expertise and a variety of valuable experiences. “Women and men need a network to help them advance if they are not following a traditional route,” asserts Huckvale.

Huckvale’s own professional network is about to expand exponentially. She has been invited to join Leadership America, a premier network of more than 1,700 professional women. It was founded in 1988 by a diverse group of women, including corporate CEOs; entrepreneurs; and leaders from government, education, media and nonprofit organizations. Leadership America provides its members with a unique opportunity to work together to increase their understanding of how issues of national importance impact their respective organizations, communities and lives.

Each year, alumnae of Leadership America’s American Issues Forum select 100 women to participate in this yearlong, three-city program that includes debates, discussions, lectures, site visits and group projects. As one of those chosen, Huckvale traveled to Denver in April, and will travel to Washington, D.C., in June and to Chicago in September to attend sessions on power, globalization, the economy, the future and leadership skills. She anticipates that the experience will be personally and professionally rewarding, perhaps leading to additional opportunities for Seton Hall to partner with corporations and government entities in new and exciting ways.

Says Dean De Pierro: “Dr. Huckvale’s selection for this prestigious leadership program is a testimony to her potential as a professional and as a leader.”

It comes as no surprise that de Martinez, who served as a mentor for Huckvale, nominated her for Leadership America. De Martinez, who now works at California State University in Sacramento as special assistant to the president and professor, reminisces about the time when Huckvale applied for her first job at CEHS: “I remember vividly when I interviewed Manina. She conveyed she was open to new challenges and growth experiences. I feel especially privileged that Manina and I are now in the same network. As noted psychologist Carl Rogers once said, ‘We are always in a state of becoming.’”

Of all the valued colleagues and students in Huckvale’s network, de Martinez clearly occupies a special place. Huckvale comments, “It is significant that we have stayed in touch despite multiple job changes and the fact that we live on different coasts. Perhaps more than anyone else, Bernice encourages me to reflect on what I’ve done and what I plan to do.” This is, after all, the essence of mentorship, which Huckvale defines as “to give of yourself, not expecting anything in return.”

― Catherine Memory
Since childhood, Brian Wallis has known he wanted to make a positive impact on the lives of others. Yet his path for doing so remained unclear. Born and raised in Grand Rapids, Michigan, Wallis is the product of a Catholic school education. “I started in kindergarten and have remained affiliated and involved with Catholic schools through my fifth year in college,” notes Wallis. At Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, he majored in English, graduating in 2002. Wallis is now a graduate student at Seton Hall University in the Educational Partners in Catholic Schools (EPICS) program.

Wallis’ mother, Susan, was a role model for his entire family. “Growing up, I went to Mass with my family every Sunday, and my mom served as a real example,” Wallis says. “She is constantly giving. She’s dedicated to our family and friends, and compassionate about her work as a K-5 teacher consultant.”

Yet, even with such an inspiring teacher as a role model, Wallis did not recognize his own call to teaching until he took a communication course in his junior year at Aquinas, taught by Curtis Bechler, Ph.D. “The way he demanded our attention in the classroom was amazing,” Wallis remembers. “He also showed respect to us as students. I really wanted to demonstrate those particular characteristics in my own life.”

“Throughout my first two years at Aquinas, I didn’t know what I wanted to do,” Wallis continues. “I just knew I had to impact lives in some way.” Bechler took Wallis under his wing, hiring him to work outside the classroom. “Dr. Bechler, as my mentor, showed me that I could be passionate about teaching,” Wallis recalls. He remained close to Bechler and eventually realized that his own place was in front of a classroom.

After graduation, Wallis earned a provisional teaching certificate and was a substitute teacher in English and communication arts for grades six through 12 in and around Grand Rapids. Then, in 2003, he joined the Jesuit Volunteer Corps (JVC), working for a year at Sports4Kids in Oakland, California. The non-profit sports organization strives to build a safe and friendly environment where students can learn the values of work ethic, teamwork and sportsmanship.

Assigned to Hoover Elementary School, Wallis served as the physical education coordinator, after-school program director and recess monitor. As part of a faith-based community, he lived with four other Jesuit volunteers who shared expenses and household duties.

“While working at Hoover, one of my duties was to run an after-school program,” Wallis recalls. “The school’s population was predominately African-American, most of whom were considered to be at risk. I realized early on that many of my students were neglected emotionally and physically, and that was often the root of many of their personal problems.”

For Wallis, his experiences at Hoover would become a guiding force behind his life decisions. Guiding the students prepared him to communicate and work more effectively with individuals from diverse socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds.

As he prepared for life after the JVC, Wallis first thought he would simply become a teacher. He recalls, “However, I found myself asking, ‘Is there a program out there that offers a faith-based community, full-time...”
teaching and a master’s program? If such a program existed, he knew he had to apply. After searching on the Internet, Wallis found what he was looking for in Seton Hall’s EPICS program.

EPICS is modeled after the University of Notre Dame’s Alliance for Catholic Education, which recruits student volunteers from all colleges and universities offering an undergraduate degree program in education. Seton Hall, in its program to train teachers for New Jersey’s urban parochial schools, recruits talented liberal arts graduates from all over the country. These EPICS students, who come from diverse backgrounds, take part in an intensive two-year in-service experience while earning a master’s degree in education and their state certification. Three pillars, or core values, characterize the EPICS program’s mission: professional development, community life and spiritual growth.

Seton Hall’s EPICS program offered Wallis an opportunity to pursue his goal of serving others — while also pursuing his personal goals. “Through EPICS, I’m teaching at an inner-city school, earning my master’s degree and growing spiritually and culturally by living in a faith-based community,” he says. “I couldn’t ask for anything more.”

Five days a week, Wallis reports to Saint Anthony High School in Jersey City; were he teaches American Literature and Honors American Literature to 10th graders, as well as Freshman Reading. Like Hoover Elementary, Saint Anthony’s is very diverse: 80 percent of its students are African-American and 18 percent are Hispanic, according to Wallis.

“Teaching in the inner city is very different from teaching in an affluent area,” Wallis notes. “I’m thankful that my JVC position provided me with strong, relevant experiences that I’ve been able to use throughout my teaching.”

Since beginning his teaching last September at Saint Anthony’s, Wallis has been building rapport in his classes. “The first few weeks were full of cold stares, and the students were very reluctant to open up to me,” he remembers. “One of my students wouldn’t even look at me when I started, and now, she is really responding.

“In order to really make an impact in the classroom, kids have to be able to trust you,” Wallis continues. “My goals were to show them that I’m for real, that they can trust me, and that I’m here to stay.”

Those first few weeks were tough, but to show his students that he was there for the long haul, Wallis vowed not to miss a day of school. “I found myself turning to God a lot during these weeks,” Wallis says. “When I feel completely empty inside, I’ve always turned to Him and He fills me back up. I am most fulfilled when I incorporate God into my life, and it has been that way since I was a child.”

Wallis enjoys the coursework in the EPICS program. He comes to Seton Hall’s campus once a month, on a Friday night, Saturday and Sunday, with a cohort of EPICS students who complete a course every two months. “I’ve found the classes to be helpful and challenging at the same time,” he notes. “My cohort [Cohort 5] is loaded with amazing people and amazing minds. The quality of people this program attracts constantly impresses me.”

Father Kevin M. Hanbury ’68/M.Div. ’75/Ed.S. ’79/Ed.D. ’85, director of the EPICS program, is thrilled to have a student of Wallis’ caliber. “Brian represents the type of students EPICS was created to attract — EPICS students have the passion to teach as a vocation, not merely as a career. These students are examples of what it means to teach as Jesus did.”

For Wallis, every aspect of EPICS fits closely with his values and professional goals, especially his goal to make an impact on students most in need. “The real beneficiaries of the EPICS program are the very same students whom I long to work with,” he affirms. “God has blessed me with a drive and a passion to fight through the ups and downs that manifest when working with students who come from tough backgrounds.”

EPICS also provides Wallis with the support system necessary to stay fresh and energized in the teaching ministry. He lives in Saint Michael’s Rectory in Jersey City with six other EPICS students, including his two closest Seton Hall friends, Raleigh Woodruff and Ben Richardsville.

“Raleigh and Ben have been very supportive,” Wallis says. “Moving can be intimidating, especially when you’re coming from a different part of the country. The East Coast was hard to get used to at first — people are always on the go. It took me some time to really adjust, but my friends have really warmed me up to life in the East.”

Wallis also credits his girlfriend, Suzanne Perry, with helping him get acclimated. “Suzanne and I met while working for the JVC in Oakland. As I share my experiences with her, she gives me so much support. She is a great listener, and I feel blessed to have her in my life.”

Perry continues to work for the JVC, recruiting in the East from northern New Jersey to Maine.

After Wallis graduates in May 2006, he will continue to teach, most likely in a parochial school.

“I feel indebted to Catholic schools, because I’ve grown up in that system. I would also like to start my coaching career,” notes Wallis, who enjoyed recreational sports growing up, especially basketball and tennis.

“God has provided me with an opportunity to serve underprivileged and at-risk kids,” Wallis affirms. “I know I will learn from them each and every day. I hope they will feel the same strong connection.”

— Shannon Rossmann Allen, M.A. ’04

If you are interested in providing housing in a faith-based community for students in the EPICS program, contact Father Kevin M. Hanbury, director of the program, at hanburke@shu.edu or (973) 275-2854. For more information on the EPICS program, visit education.shu.edu.
Seton Hall Shares Papal Expertise with the World

On May 18 — what would have been Pope John Paul II's 85th birthday — a 7,000-foot mountain in Italy’s rugged Gran Sasso range was named “John Paul’s Peak” in memory of the 263rd successor of St. Peter who passed away in Rome on April 2. It is a fitting tribute to this Polish-born Roman pontiff who had been a dominant, seemingly indestructible spiritual force on the world stage for more than a quarter century — and a real, physical presence for the millions who had seen him in his many travels as an apostolic pilgrim.

Yet few knew better than the Holy Father the fragility and transience of life. Childhood near-death experiences, the loss of his entire family by age 20, multiple injuries, an assassination attempt in 1981 and Parkinson’s disease all took their toll on the man. His remarkable example of faith moved Catholics and non-Catholics alike worldwide to gather en masse and to seek moments of solitude, to pray — initially, for his recovery and then once death had come, to celebrate his life.

Weeks before his death, sensing that a papal transition was imminent, the media marshaled its resources and unleashed reporters with the intensity of a military campaign. For major media outlets, the nation’s richest repository of expertise on John Paul II, the papacy and Vatican issues was clearly Seton Hall University.

During the Holy Father’s final illness, University President Monsignor Robert Sheeran ’67, S.T.D., was called upon for interviews with NJN, National Public Radio, Fox News Channel and The Star-Ledger. But that was only the tip of the media iceberg.

While many in the University community have been touched personally by the pope and have studied his pontificate, a number of highly accomplished individuals shared with the media — and the world — their papal expertise and their personal associations with the late pontiff, including Father Anthony Figueiredo, M. Div. ’94, S.T.L., S.T.D., assistant professor of systematic theology; Monsignor Robert J. Wister, ’65/M.Div. ’68, D. Eccl.Hist., associate professor of Church history; and Jo Renee Formicola, Ph.D., professor of political science.

“Other universities might have someone who specializes in Catholic history, but is not a specialist on the Vatican and the pope,” says Monsignor Wister. “We happen to have three individuals in particular who are knowledgeable about the papacy. That’s why the media seek us out.”

By Steven Carr
hat makes this “triangle of papal expertise,” as Father Figueiredo refers to it, so potent is that each person offers a different perspective on John Paul II’s pontificate, which — along with the ecclesiastical expertise of numerous faculty members on the Seton Hall campus — makes for a combination difficult for any other university to match.

Prophet in the Political Realm

Formicola, a specialist in Church-state relations who wrote her doctoral dissertation on the Catholic Church and human rights, concentrates on the political aspects of Pope John Paul II’s legacy. As she was writing the dissertation, the pope had just been elected; his first meeting at the United Nations focused on the need for diplomats to advance human rights around the world.

“From that moment on, I followed everything he said and did,” Formicola notes. “When I wrote John Paul II: Prophetic Politician [2002], one of a very few political books on his pontificate, I only had to do limited research because I had been writing about him and cataloging everything he said and did for 20 years.”

Formicola’s book contends that the pope rose above the temporal fray and took a prophetic approach to politics. He spoke truth to power and called statesmen to a higher order of political values — transcendent values — without being partisan.

“John Paul’s political legacy is characterized by religious engagement, conciliation and outreach to more than 100 diverse, sovereign states,” Formicola says. “His legacy is a reflection of all his efforts to fulfill the Church’s spiritual mission, that is, to teach, preach and sanctify its adherents. He accomplished this by his tireless work in the international arena for human rights, social justice, economic development and peace.”

In a 2002 audience, Formicola presented her book to the Holy Father. She later received a note from his secretary saying that John Paul appreciated her political characterization of him.

Church History Illuminated

Monsignor Wister, who lived in Rome as a seminarian from 1965-69 and as a graduate student from 1976-80, has taught courses at Seton Hall on popes and the papacy, and offers insights into the historical and diplomatic aspects of the Holy See. A consultant for CBS Evening News, Monsignor Wister has covered every important event of the papacy since the death of Pope Paul VI in 1978 and worked with CBS when Pope John Paul II was elected. He had an exclusive agreement with the network to report on the passing of John Paul II and the transition to a new pope.

“As the pope’s health declined, the network had all my contact information to get in touch with me whenever I’d go away,” Monsignor Wister says. “It’s been that way for the last two years.”

During this year’s spring break, Monsignor Wister was scheduled to go on vacation, but canceled the trip when the pope was hospitalized for the second time. He spent the next five days at network studios in New York City, serving as a papal expert for CBS Evening News.

Honored to be Chosen

Father Figueiredo, who serves as an exclusive analyst for MSNBC, offers an insider’s view of the papacy. A former banker who speaks seven languages, he wrote his doctoral dissertation in Rome on the Magisterium, which is the teaching authority of the pope and the bishops — a vast, complex area of expertise. This positioned him to serve as special assistant to Pope John Paul II for four ground-
breaking Synods of Bishops: the Americas, Europe, Asia and Australasia/Oceania, in preparation for the Great Jubilee in 2000.  “These were major historical meetings where top theologians from every continent met to decide the future of the Church,” Father Figueiredo recalls. “I could have been given any responsibility, but I was asked to be the Holy Father’s personal secretary during these sessions, each of which lasted a month. I was immensely honored.”

Father Figueiredo grew to know John Paul II during these meetings. “He truly was God’s choice. A real father figure. A man concerned with every person, a man of prayer, a man who treated everyone the same regardless of their station in life,” he says.

After the synods, Father Figueiredo’s relationship with the pope deepened as he was invited to share meals with the Holy Father and celebrate Mass in his private chapel. “It was daunting to be with him in the early hours. He saw his mission as a priest first, then as the pope. Christ was the center of his day, and he celebrated the Eucharist with great fervor,” Father Figueiredo says. “After the Mass, he greeted each of us personally, and I often had breakfast or lunch with him. I consider it a great gift.”

A Papal Pace Unlike Any Other

As the pope’s health deteriorated, Formicola, Monsignor Wister and Father Figueiredo committed more of their busy schedules to fielding media questions about the pope, his legacy, the papal transition and speculation about a successor.

Seton Hall’s priests, faculty and seminarrians received calls from the global press as well as national and local media — from the International Herald Tribune, The New York Times, The Associated Press and the Boston Globe to Fox News, NBC’s Today show, National Public Radio and Larry King Live on CNN.

“We wanted the media to tap into our expertise,” says Father Figueiredo. “This was a unique, unprecedented moment that none of us will see again. It was an opportunity for us to enlighten people about the full impact of this remarkable man.”

Upon the pope’s passing, media coverage grew into a non-stop international event characterized by collective, heartfelt mourning, historical commentary and political analysis. International interest in the Vatican, the conclave and a new pope remained intense. A significant number of Seton Hall priests, historians and seminarrians joined in the global dialogue during this momentous period in history.

Monsignor Raymond Kupke ‘69/M.Div. ’77, Ph.D., adjunct professor of Church history, gave newspaper, radio and television interviews ranging from live commentary during the pope’s funeral for News 12 New Jersey to an interview with NBC’s Today. Father Joseph Chapel, S.T.D., associate dean of Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology, spent the day after the pope’s death at CNN en Español in New York City providing commentary in fluent Spanish. He also gave several New York-area news interviews.

Father Anthony Ziccardi, M.Div. ’90, S.S.L., assistant professor of Biblical studies, served as a commentator for Fox Radio, fitting in several New York-area news and newspaper interviews.

MSNBC, The Star-Ledger, WABC-TV and WNBC-TV interviewed Seton Hall undergraduate and graduate students, as well as Father Kevin M. Hanbury ‘68/M.Div. ’75/Ed.S. ’79/Ed.D. ’85, associate dean of the College of Education and Human Services, before, during and after they viewed the papal funeral on a large-screen television in the Pirate’s Cove, Seton Hall’s on-campus coffeehouse that had opened at 3:45 a.m. for the occasion.

Many seminarrians also commented on the personal significance of this event to them via interviews with WCBS radio, CNN, The Star-Ledger, WABC-TV and more. Monsignor Robert F. Coleman ’74, J.C.D., rector and dean of Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology, and Father Thomas P. Nydegger, M.Div. ’92, vice rector, often joined the seminarrians in their interviews, and provided theological commentary.

Rounding out Seton Hall’s substantial team of experts was Greg Tobin, senior adviser for strategic communications and author of
a Christ-like life. Cries of “Saint! Saint!” filled the air as 12 white-gloved pallbearers presented the simple wood casket one last time to the crowd, before they re-entered St. Peter’s to lay the pope to his final rest.

Throughout the period of mourning and anticipation, Seton Hall’s papal experts continued answering media questions, initially speculating about a successor, and then, once Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger of Germany was elected Pope Benedict XVI, offering their insights into this new leader of the Catholic Church.

“Pope Benedict XVI will work to reverse the secularization of Europe through new and strong evangelization efforts. He is a clear thinker and writer who will spread the Gospel of Christ,” says Monsignor Wister. He believes this pope does not have to be simply an extension of Pope John Paul II, as many consider him. “He will be whatever he wants. Some people say he has to be media-oriented. I don’t think so. If he’s not media savvy, he will have to be well-protected because he will be subjected to more media scrutiny than his predecessors.”

Formicola has a slightly different view: “John Paul II raised the bar,” she says. “From here on, a pope cannot be anything other than a geopolitical actor because he has to play a role of preserving the freedom of the Church in order to carry out its spiritual mission.”

Father Figueiredo anticipates both tradition and innovation from the new pope. “In the former Cardinal Ratzinger, we have a humble German scholar, a providential choice for pope,” he says. “The pontiff is making the necessary transition from the role of ‘defender of doctrine’ to the world stage as ‘unifier and spiritual leader.’ Benedict will be very firm on doctrine. We know that. But you will see a man who is much more approachable than this reputation as an authoritarian, Germanic figure.”

Seton Hall will be in a unique position to follow Pope Benedict XVI, Father Figueiredo believes, as it was with John Paul II. “Not only do I know him personally from my work with the bishops and cardinals, but he was one of John Paul II’s closest advisers and taught at a number of German Catholic universities as professor of dogmatic theology. I believe that we’re in for a highly adventurous pontificate that will surprise us.”

Whatever transpires during Pope Benedict’s reign, many Vatican observers agree that John Paul’s pontificate will be the benchmark against which popes will be measured for generations.

“Seton Hall’s motto, Hazard Zet Forward [‘In Spite of the Hazards, Go Forward’], epitomizes the true essence of his pontificate. It’s a point I always stressed in my interviews,” Father Figueiredo says.

“John Paul II wanted to be a witness to hope, and he used his own suffering to reach out to millions who are also suffering,” he continues. “Old age and sickness are a part of life, and the papacy doesn’t stop when you’re inefficient. That’s why resignation never was an option for him. One of the most revealing moments in his pontificate came a few years ago when a diplomat asked him why he didn’t step down. The pope’s response was quite simple and telling. ‘Did Jesus ever step down from his cross?’”

In an interview with Lester Holt of MSNBC, Father Figueiredo commented: “The difficulty is for those of us who are left behind. We will miss a great, great man — one who has touched me personally. I would not be a priest today if it were not for the witness of John Paul II. Like John Paul’s Peak, he called us to ever greater heights.”

For more stories on Seton Hall’s Papal expertise, visit events.shu.edu/pope.
Priorities and Projects
A Campaign Progress Report

Ever Forward: The Seton Hall Sesquicentennial Campaign — the most ambitious fundraising initiative in the University’s history — is on track to meet its goal of $150 million by the target date of December 2007. Together, more than 21,000 alumni, Seton Hall parents, faculty, corporations, foundations and other organizations, have helped the University surpass the 50 percent mark with their gifts totaling more than $80 million.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>GIVING OPPORTUNITIES</th>
<th>$150 Million</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>PHYSICAL PLANT</td>
<td>$68 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER</td>
<td>$25 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UNIVERSITY CENTER</td>
<td>$15 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WHITEHEAD SCHOOL OF DIPLOMACY AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS</td>
<td>$15 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HERITAGE BUILDINGS</td>
<td>$7.5 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• STAFFORD HALL</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• CARRIAGE HOUSE</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• CHAPEL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ATHLETIC AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES</td>
<td>$2.5 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ALUMNI CENTER</td>
<td>$1.5 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CENTER FOR CATHOLIC STUDIES AND G K. CHESTERTON INSTITUTE FOR FAITH AND CULTURE</td>
<td>$1 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES</td>
<td>$500,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ENDOWMENT</td>
<td>$48 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SCHOLARSHIPS</td>
<td>$24 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PROFESSORSHIPS</td>
<td>$14 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CATHOLIC MISSION</td>
<td>$5 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ATHLETIC PROGRAM</td>
<td>$4 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>STUDENT LIFE</td>
<td>$1 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ANNUAL FUNDS</td>
<td>$34 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TOTAL</td>
<td>$150 M</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
The Richie Regan Recreation and Athletic Center was transformed on November 6 for the gala event to kick off Ever Forward: The Seton Hall University Sesquicentennial Campaign. Pictured at the gala are (clockwise from left) Charles and Joan Alberto, founders of the Charles and Joan Alberto Italian Studies Institute; Bruce Tomason ‘69, vice chair of the Ever Forward campaign and University regent, with his wife, Carol; Phillip Shannon, co-chair of the Ever Forward Campaign Committee and University regent, with his wife, Mary, and David Gerstein, University regent; and Thomas Sharkey ’54, chair of the Campaign Committee, and his wife, Ruth.

The Ever Forward Campaign, which will raise a minimum of $150 million, will transform the Seton Hall campus, significantly increase the University’s endowment and create a culture of stewardship and responsibility throughout the Seton Hall community.
During Operation Sail in 1976, Joseph J. Hughes ’71 received a hush-hush call from the New Jersey governor’s office. His Springfield-based limousine rental firm, Country Club Services Inc., was asked to line up 14 limousines at a certain hour at Newark Liberty International Airport. It was only when the limos reached the airport tarmac that Hughes learned the reason for the secrecy: His firm would be chauffeuring Queen Elizabeth II and her entourage.

Managing the flow of people and their vehicles — at VIP events, major golf tournaments, marathons, festivals, the Statue of Liberty’s re-lighting — is Country Club Services’ niche. Hughes and his wife, Lorraine A. Hughes ’72/M.B.A. ’82, founded the company in the early 1970s. They met as undergraduates at Seton Hall University. She came from Kearney; he grew up in West Orange and Orange. Entrepreneurial even as a youngster, Joe delivered newspapers, then worked as a caddy and parked cars all through college. He knew he wanted to major in business right from the start.

Serving with the Pershing Rifles at Seton Hall provided Joe with excellent discipline and honed his team and people skills, he says. It also gave him a common interest with Lorraine, a math major on the women’s drill team.

“When we were married, we made a decision jointly to take this risk jointly,” he recalls about starting the business that he leads as president. Now that Lorraine is retired from AT&T as a vice president, she has been managing several of Country Club’s business operations, Joe relates with admiration. From its valet parking beginnings, the Hughes’ company has become recognized for handling complex logistics in parking and transportation services. This winter, while public artists Christo and Jeanne-Claude’s creative team constructed 7,500 fabric gates in New York City’s Central Park, bike patrols hired by Country Club Services directed the heavy equipment to ensure joggers could still get around the paths.

Having worked with well-known artists, actors, golf pros and CEOs, Joe shares his thoughts about one of the most remarkable people he knows: Monsignor Robert Sheeran ’67, University president. “He’s a very dynamic person, full of life. I’ve never met anyone quite like him,” says Joe. “Listening to him, you want to go out and do more.”

Doing more is what the Hughes do best. Joe is a member of Seton Hall’s University Advisory Council and Pirate Blue, has served on the Alumni Board and co-chairs the Stillman School’s annual golf outing. Lorraine was invited to join Seton Hall’s Arts Council last fall. There’s another way they enjoy supporting Seton Hall’s strengths. Together, they have made a commitment to name a conference room in the new Science and Technology Center.

The University is “moving forward constantly, everything’s improving,” Joe says, “not just test scores but the quality of the students, not just the academics but the special events. It seems that Seton Hall never rests on its laurels.”

Adds Lorraine: “We enjoy going to cultural events like the Philip and Mary Shannon Seton Hall Speaker Series. We’re avid Pirate fans. The school gave me a terrific education, and I feel now that I’m in a position to say thank you in a positive way.” Their gift “leverages back,” she believes. “It’s an opportunity to take what Seton Hall has given me, both educationally and financially, and recycle it into a new generation of Seton Hall students.”

— Donna Shoemaker

SPIRIT OF GIVING
The Center for Catholic Studies, which includes the undergraduate program in Catholic studies, the Institute on Work, and the G.K. Chesterton Institute for Faith and Culture, is dedicated to a dialogue between the Catholic tradition and all of the disciplines and professions that are part of the Seton Hall University experience. In the past, virtually all of Seton Hall’s students and faculty were Catholic. Today, the University is much more diverse, so the center’s mission is to develop an understanding of Catholic values among faculty, students, alumni and the wider community.

“The goal of the Center for Catholic Studies is to link Catholicism’s orientation to ‘human wholeness’ to every area of contemporary culture — science, art, the humanities and the professions,” says Monsignor Richard Liddy, Ph.D., University Professor of Catholic Thought and Culture and the center’s director.

To support the center, $2.5 million has been earmarked through the Ever Forward campaign for its programs and seminars on faith and culture and $1.5 million for the renovation of a new facility to house its three components in one central place.

This financial support could not come at a better time. The center’s programs are expanding rapidly, stretching its fiscal and space capacity. The number of students majoring in Catholic studies is increasing. The Chesterton Institute is producing a growing list of publications and conferences. And the Institute on Work is providing more and more services and resources to workers in New Jersey.

The primary focus of the new funding will be faculty development, which is at the heart of the center’s mission to integrate Catholicism fully into the academic environment. Seminars are an important part of this effort. For example, a spring faculty seminar addressed “Augustine and the Hermeneutics of Suspicion.” The center also plans to attract more Catholic artists and writers to campus.

Funds for student development will be used for educational programs, publications and study abroad programs, as well as to endow scholarships. Such endowments will allow students to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith and its role in history and culture.

To accommodate the center’s rapid growth, funds also will be used to renovate a new site large enough to consolidate the center’s three components — now housed separately in Walsh Library and Fahy Hall. This new home would provide a fixed identity for the center, improve the administration of its programs and offer meeting space for seminars.

— Steven Carr

For more information about the Center for Catholic Studies, the Institute on Work and the G.K. Chesterton Institute for Faith and Culture, visit academic.shu.edu/ccs/.
Clockwise from top: Monsignor Richard Liddy, Ph.D., University Professor of Catholic Thought and Culture and director of the Center for Catholic Studies; Father Ian Boyd, C.S.B., director of the Chesterton Institute and editor of The Chesterton Review; William Toth, Ph.D., co-director of the Institute on Work; and Barrie Peterson, M.Div., co-director of the Institute on Work.
Support Stems from Friendship

His legend began as a fabled freshman point guard for the Pirates’ 39-1 season. It soared into a senior year leading teammates to the 1953 National Invitation Tournament title. His story stretched onward to accolades as a coach, director of athletics, and energetic raiser of funds and fans. His name adorns the field house and now the recreation center at Seton Hall University. Say “Richie” or “The Cat,” and everyone knows you mean Richard J. Regan ’53/M.A. ’67.

For Kenneth Kunzman, Richie defined not only Pirate pride; he also defined friendship. “I’m sitting here looking at his picture,” Kunzman says, speaking from his law office, Connell Foley LLP, in Roseland, New Jersey. “Richie had such magnetism. He could pick up the phone, call people from years back and get them to do things that you or I couldn’t get them to do even if they were reasonable things,” he chuckles.

The business attorney’s stories readily flow about Richie and Sheila Regan, their eight children, and how Richie adored his family. After Sheila died in 1991, two years later Richie married Sue Dilley, a great coach at Seton Hall,” Kunzman relates. (She later served as director of athletics, among other leadership roles.)

To lengthen the Regan legacy, Kunzman has suited up for the kind of team effort Richie prized. He co-chairs (with David Gerstein ’59) the Richie and Sue Regan Endowed Fund for Athletics. It seeks $4 million to strengthen the facilities, scholarships and teams so beloved by the couple. Kunzman hopes supporting the endowment “will involve as many people as possible — that’s what Richie would have wanted.”

Kunzman’s friendship with Richie took root close to campus. Parents of six children and grandparents of 17, Kenneth and Anne Kunzman have lived in the same house in South Orange since 1970. Two blocks away is Seton Hall Preparatory School, from which their only son, Kenneth, graduated.

“When the children were young and I was working hard as a young lawyer, our night out was to go see Seton Hall play,” Kunzman recalls. Bill Raftery, then head coach of men’s basketball, was their neighbor. “I became involved with Seton Hall as a fan and as a friend of Richie’s and Bill’s,” he adds. In 1985, when Richie became the first executive director of the Pirate Blue Athletic Fund, Kunzman agreed to co-chair it with Gerstein, and relished that role for 13 years. The two were inducted as honorary members of the Seton Hall Athletic Hall of Fame’s Class of 2004.

As counsel for Seton Hall’s Board of Regents, Kunzman reflects, “I have come to know and have tremendous respect for Monsignor [Robert] Sheeran [’67] and the regents.” Honoring Kunzman’s integrity, Seton Hall School of Law awarded him its 1998 St. Thomas More Medal. “I have been in The Best Lawyers in America,” Kunzman says, “but this medal means more to me.”

Loyalty to Seton Hall extends well beyond those who earned its diplomas, Kunzman is convinced. In academics and athletics alike, he affirms, “There are a lot of non-alumni in this area who absolutely identify with the success of Seton Hall.”

— Donna Shoemaker

A longtime friend of Richie Regan ’53/M.A. ’67, Kenneth Kunzman serves as counsel for Seton Hall’s Board of Regents. He’s also taken on an even bigger role — serving as co-chair of the Richie and Sue Regan Endowed Fund for Athletics with David Gerstein ’59. Kunzman fondly remembered Richie at the dedication of the Richie Regan Recreation and Athletic Center in November with the Regan family.
Coach “Shep” Leads Off Baseball Endowment

Upon the August 2003 retirement of Seton Hall University’s legendary baseball head coach, Michael J. Sheppard ’58/M.A. ’67, the University launched a campaign to establish a permanent endowment for the baseball program. The target goal of $1 million will provide for naming the head coach position in honor of Sheppard and support upgrades to Owen T. Carroll Field, the team’s practice facilities and equipment.

Coach “Shep,” whom Seton Hall recently designated coach emeritus, will be highly involved in the campaign. He plans to connect personally with alumni, including former student-athletes as well as high school friends and teammates.

“I really like meeting people face-to-face,” Sheppard says. “I want to reach out to my circle of colleagues to help the baseball program in any way that I can.” Sheppard and Thomas Sharkey ’54, chair of the Ever Forward Campaign Committee, are also reaching out to Major League Baseball players, some of whom are former Pirates.

The Pirate Blue Athletic Fund coordinated a golf outing last October to announce the campaign to endow the coaching position and hosted pre-game dining for alumni baseball and softball players.

— Lori Varga

Seton Hall to Build a Groundbreaking Science Facility

In June, Seton Hall University will break ground for its new $35 million Science and Technology Center, which will include all the elements necessary to foster science education and research.

The project involves the expansion and significant renovation of McNulty Hall, the University’s current science facility. The new Science and Technology Center will house the biology, chemistry and biochemistry, and physics departments, as well as the mathematics and computer science and growing health sciences programs. The building will encompass more than 35 teaching and research laboratories and classrooms, an amphitheatre and conference rooms, all equipped with state-of-the-art technologies.

Designed by Perkins & Will, an international architecture and interior design firm, Seton Hall’s new science facility will feature an innovative open-lab design and flexible walls to create an interactive professional environment. The Science and Technology Center, complete with a rooftop observatory, greenhouse and vivarium, will enable students to learn the fundamentals of scientific research and allow Seton Hall’s already-recognized research programs to flourish and to serve the education needs of New Jersey and the nation.

— Dorett Smith
Campaign Seeks Endowment to Support the Call to Serve

“The notion that everyone has a vocation — a calling — is part of the vision of life that a Catholic university has.”

— David Foster, Ph.D.

Since its establishment in 2003, Seton Hall’s Center for Vocation and Servant Leadership has actively encouraged students to think of their lives in terms of a “call to serve” — the heart of the University’s mission to prepare students as servant leaders. “The notion that everyone has a vocation — a calling — is part of the vision of life that a Catholic university has,” says David Foster, Ph.D., director of the center and associate professor of philosophy. “God calls each of us to play some part in His plan for the world.”

A $2 million grant from Lilly Endowment Inc., a private, philanthropic foundation based in Indianapolis, enabled Seton Hall to establish the Center for Vocation and Servant Leadership, which fosters the connections between faith and vocation.

To further the reach of the center, the Ever Forward campaign is seeking additional funds to permanently endow the center and enhance the University’s Catholic character. “Campaign funds would enable us to continue to provide scholarships to students who have already shown promise as servant leaders in their parishes and local communities,” Foster says. “In addition, we will expand our program of retreats and workshops for students, faculty and alumni, and extend our community outreach through our Community Renaissance program.”

Lilly Endowment grant money has been used by the center to fund permanent positions in The Career Center, Campus Ministry and Freshman Studies. “This links us with three active centers of student services,” Foster explains. “Our center worked with Campus Ministry on weekend retreats for students, with The Career Center on an essay contest for Public Service Month and with Freshman Studies on several leadership workshops. We also support the two men and two women who make up the Fellowship of Catholic University Students team.”

The center also supports the Servant Leader Scholars program, which, in cooperation with Enrollment Services, provides scholarships to students who serve as role models of servant leadership. Scholarship recipients for 2004-05 were honored at the Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Charter Day celebration in February. The center also presented its first Student Servant Leader awards to three students for their continuous commitments to servant leadership and their dedication to specific service projects.

The center is identifying and nurturing a new generation of talented, religiously committed leaders. “Our first goal is to further the Catholic mission of the University by helping our students consider their future in light of a personal mission that God has for each of us,” Foster says. “To do this, the center works with all parts of the campus community, from the provost to resident assistants, from the Faculty Senate to student government and from Campus Ministry to the Alumni Association.”

For more information on the Center for Vocation and Servant Leadership, visit mission.shu.edu/center.

— Lori Varga
Earning its fourth consecutive bid to the NCAA Tournament in 2004, the Seton Hall University men’s soccer team enjoyed an exciting run in the BIG EAST Championship last fall. Head Coach Manfred Schellscheidt boasted a roster of nine returning starters, including three-year starters Jason Hernandez and Jerrod Laventure, along with sophomore Sacha Kljestan, a Preseason All-BIG EAST selection. With such an experienced and talented roster, all the pieces were in place for the team to enjoy a memorable season.

En route to an 11-6-1 regular season record, the Pirates spent a total of 11 weeks ranked in the Top 25 and played a rigorous schedule that included six nationally ranked opponents. The team qualified for the BIG EAST Tournament as the eighth and final seed with its top scorer (Laventure) and top defender (Hernandez). The Pirates first played Notre Dame, which ranked fourth nationally, had lost just twice all season and boasted one of the nation’s top defenses. The Pirates managed to keep the game scoreless through regulation and two overtimes. Seton Hall pulled off the upset when senior Matt Salotti converted Seton Hall’s eighth straight penalty kick, and Notre Dame’s Nate Norman sent his shot over the crossbar.

Soccer Wrap-up
Two Goals from Glory

The Pirates were among three other upset winners in the quarterfinals, marking the first time in BIG EAST history that none of the top four seeds advanced to the semifinals.

In their second match, the Pirates faced Georgetown, a team that had defeated them 4-0 just 12 days earlier. The two teams played through a cold and rainy regulation and into overtime before Kljestan scored a dramatic goal with under three minutes left, giving Seton Hall a 1-0 win and a berth in the championship game.

The Pirates’ cinderella run to the final game matched them with the Connecticut Huskies for the league’s automatic NCAA Tournament bid. Seton Hall’s stellar postseason defensive play continued, as junior goalkeeper Boris Pardo notched his third straight shutout. Unfortunately, the Pirates could not score either, and the game went to penalty kicks. In the first BIG EAST Championship decided by penalty kicks, the Huskies prevailed, 5-3.

Although it was a disappointing conclusion to an inspiring tournament, Seton Hall was soon rewarded with a first-round home game against Hofstra in the NCAA Tournament. The Pirates had not lost on Owen T. Carroll Field in 16 games, the second-longest streak in program history. But Seton Hall suffered a sobering end to the season when Hofstra scored with 12 minutes remaining to claim a 2-1 win.

The Pirates’ success helped several individuals earn recognition. Laventure and Kljestan both earned All-BIG EAST First Team honors, and Hernandez landed a spot on the second team. Pardo also moved into a tie for the top spot at Seton Hall, with 13 career shutouts. He is poised to break the record early next season. With nine players who gained regular starting experience set to return next year, the Pirates should once again find themselves on the national stage.

— Jeff Mead

Junior Boris Pardo recorded three straight shutouts at the BIG EAST Championship game.
Soccer Standout Prepares for FIFA World Youth Championship

Sophomore Sacha Kljestan, a star midfielder on the men’s soccer team, has been playing with the United States’ Under-20 National Team as it prepares to face Argentina, Egypt and Germany in June at the 2005 FIFA World Youth Championship in Holland. Kljestan made headlines in March by helping the United States to a second-place finish at an international tournament in Suwon, South Korea. In the tournament finale, Kljestan came in as a substitute and assisted on the game-winning goal in a 1-0 win over Egypt to help the United States finish with a 2-1 record. He also helped the team win the CONCACAF Group A Qualifying Tournament with an undefeated record in January.

Kljestan, a native of Huntington Beach, California, capped off an outstanding 2004 season by earning First Team All-America Honors after totaling 21 points (7 goals, 7 assists). He also led Seton Hall to its fourth-straight NCAA appearance. He and his brother, Gordon, a defender, will lead a tremendously talented team into the 2005 fall season with visions of a deep run into the NCAA tournament.

— Jeff Mead

Amidst Guatemala’s Poverty, Denboer Dedicates Herself to Teaching

While many incoming college freshmen spend their summers at home relaxing, hanging out with friends or preparing for the big move, Kristen Denboer had different plans. For three weeks last summer, she worked in Guatemala with her church youth group, providing relief aid to hurricane victims and teaching impoverished people and children with mental disabilities. Just finishing her freshman year at Seton Hall University, Denboer is a member of the volleyball team.

Denboer and her youth group at Faith Evangelical Church in Loveland, Colorado, travel to Guatemala every other summer. In the summer in between, they journey to Mexico. Faith Evangelical spent approximately nine months preparing for the Guatemala trip, mostly raising funds to achieve the $1,400 required for each person to go.

During the first two weeks of her stay, Denboer volunteered with children. “The first week, we spent four hours each morning in a classroom learning the native language,” Denboer says. “In the afternoons, we visited a hospital for mentally handicapped kids and played with the children. There were about four hospital staff members for the approximately 100 kids in there. So the kids did not get a lot of attention.”

The following week, Denboer and her group helped a Christian school in one of the poorest areas of Guatemala City. They sponsored a Bible school program for the children and also spent time making physical improvements to the school, including building a fence and cleaning up the grounds.

Denboer and her group ventured away from the urban life of Guatemala City for the third week. They went to Balcones de Palin, a government relief area for victims of Hurricane Mitch, which ravaged the country in 1998 and led to 10,000 deaths in Central America. Displaced by the hurricane’s mass destruction, thousands of people crowded into this community.

“There’s no running water, there’s no sewage, there’s no electricity, and there are people living in tent shacks everywhere,” Denboer explains. “Our group went there and did a Bible school for the kids and worked on a few of the houses, but it was hard to get supplies since it’s a mountainous area.

“The first time I went [to Guatemala], the trip inspired me to become a teacher just because the kids down there were so grateful and excited to learn,” Denboer says. “They don’t always get the opportunity to go to school.” Her love of teaching was further kindled during her most recent trip. Denboer now plans to double major in elementary education and either Spanish or history.

Whatever adjustments Denboer makes at Seton Hall or in the future, she has learned through her experiences in Guatemala not to take anything for granted. So while the journey there may be long, the lessons from her sojourn are never far from her thoughts.

— Abby Dennis

Freshman volleyball player Kristen Denboer spent last summer working in Guatemala with her church youth group.
Bob Ley ’76 has taken two big chances with his career. After college, he accepted a do-it-all job in a novel media format — cable television. In 1979, he became a broadcaster for ESPN, a new, all-sports cable network. Today, cable television and ESPN are part of Americana, and, for millions of sports fans, Ley is a familiar and trusted sports journalist.

“There was no grand master plan for ESPN when it started. Its success has been, in part, a happy accident,” says Ley, host of ESPN’s Outside the Lines Nightly investigative series and the Sunday morning SportsCenter.

“There was no grand master plan for ESPN when it started. Its success has been, in part, a happy accident,” says Ley, host of ESPN’s Outside the Lines Nightly investigative series and the Sunday morning SportsCenter.

“There was no grand master plan for ESPN when it started. Its success has been, in part, a happy accident,” says Ley, host of ESPN’s Outside the Lines Nightly investigative series and the Sunday morning SportsCenter.

“There was no grand master plan for ESPN when it started. Its success has been, in part, a happy accident,” says Ley, host of ESPN’s Outside the Lines Nightly investigative series and the Sunday morning SportsCenter.

“There was no grand master plan for ESPN when it started. Its success has been, in part, a happy accident,” says Ley, host of ESPN’s Outside the Lines Nightly investigative series and the Sunday morning SportsCenter.

Ley’s entrée into sports journalism began when he was a student at Bloomfield High School. Ley himself says he “wasn’t good enough to play on a team,” so he put his communication talents to work for a local “pirate” radio station and the school newspaper. He also phoned in game results to the Star-Ledger and the Newark Evening News.

Seton Hall University’s Department of Communication attracted Ley to South Orange. Even before he enrolled, he made himself known at the University’s radio station (WSOU-FM). “During freshman orientation in August 1972, I went to all the ‘required’ places on campus,” he says. “But I probably spent more time at WSOU.”

For the next four years, the radio station was Ley’s “home.” He was there first thing in the morning, between classes and on weekends. “It was the center of my activities and where I made friends that I’m still in touch with today,” he says. One of Ley’s college friends, Don Skwar ’73, former sports editor for the Boston Globe and The Setonian, also works at ESPN. Their colleague, Dick Vitale ’62, is also an alumnus.

As a sophomore, Ley was WSOU sports director during a remarkable time. The early-to-mid 1970s were the beginning of Seton Hall’s emergence as a collegiate men’s basketball powerhouse. Ley covered the game in which Seton Hall defeated Saint Peter’s to clinch a spot in the National Invitational Tournament. “When the team
returned to campus from Madison Square Garden, there were crowds of people waiting to meet the bus,” he recalls.

During his senior year, Ley worked evenings as a production manager for WOR radio in New York City. “At the time, AM radio was king, and it was a thrill to work with the titans of the industry, such as John Gambling. Early on, I learned that if you do your job well, you will get ahead,” Ley says.

Even with juggling many media jobs, Ley excelled academically at Seton Hall, graduating magna cum laude. He found that the communication department lived up to its reputation. Among the top-notch faculty, he says, was Donald J. McKenna, Ph.D. “He was a tremendous professional who related well to students,” says Ley. “I still recall his Ethics in Communications course — one that is very relevant today.”

Ley’s WOR job expanded to full-time hours following his graduation. By October 1976, he also was working evenings and weekends for a start-up cable operation, Suburban Cablevision of East Orange. He first covered local high school sports for $50 a game, but his assignments quickly broadened to include public affairs programming and weekly talk shows.

“At the onset, the concept of someone paying for television was a gamble when one could adjust the antenna on the roof for free,” says Ley. “But the owners of Suburban Cablevision had a marvelous marketing tool at hand. They offered people the opportunity to watch local sports and hear their mayor talk about subjects that mattered to them.”

Ley left WOR to work full-time at Suburban Cablevision in a position that required his involvement in every phase of production — running the cables, setting up the booth, writing the scripts, producing, directing and being in front of the camera. “There was no manual telling us what to do,” Ley says. “As time went on, we got better and better.” During his three-year stay at Suburban Cablevision, the cable maverick won four local Cable ACE Awards for sports and general programming.

In August 1979, Ley learned of a new, all-sports broadcasting venture. He submitted his tapes and interviewed for the job. At the same time, he was in the running to be weekend sports anchor for New Jersey Public Television. “I had a tough decision to make,” Ley recalls. “I could either stay in New Jersey, where my family was, and be on the air in New York and Philadelphia, or I could move to Connecticut, where I knew no one, and take a shot at something unknown and unproven.” On September 9, 1979, the 24-year-old joined ESPN; it was the third day of the cable network’s existence.

Ley was assigned to anchor SportsCenter, and for him, those first several months at ESPN were, in the words of baseball great Yogi Berra, “déjà vu all over again.” Ley says, “It reminded me of the early days of Suburban Cablevision. I’d start my day at 10:30 a.m. and end it at 2:30 a.m. I learned on the air and did what was necessary to get the job done. There were times when I wondered, if I asked really nicely, whether I could get my old job back.”

No need for second guessing — working for ESPN has been the opportunity of a lifetime for Ley. He is known for breaking the story of Pete Rose’s suspension from baseball and for his coverage of the Loma Prieta earthquake during the 1989 World Series in San Francisco. Outside the Lines Nightly, which has tackled such issues as sports violence, race, violence and the use of performance-enhancing drugs, earned 10 Sports Emmy awards with Ley as the host. “Athletes, unlike politicians, do not like to debate the issues,” observes Ley. “Even with a show like Outside the Lines, which is fair and well-presented, it is sometimes difficult to book athletes who will actually engage in fair questioning.” SportsCenter, which Ley describes as “the heartbeat of the network,” has won its share of accolades, and, in 1995, Ley received Northeastern University’s Excellence in Sports Journalism Award.

Ley admits it’s sometimes difficult to separate the fan from the broadcaster. At the 1987 All-Star Legends basketball game, he found himself standing between NBA Hall of Famers Walt Frazier and Pete Maravich. “I thought, ‘Am I really getting paid to do this?’,” he says.

Some of Ley’s most memorable moments as a sports journalist do not involve sports legends. In 1996, he and his crew were in Russia for an Outside the Lines Nightly program about sports in the former Soviet Union. Their visit coincided with Russia’s first democratic presidential election. “One day, we were caught up in a pro-Boris Yeltsin demonstration. There were war veterans in their 70s chanting and carrying signs. It meant a great deal to see how much the right to vote meant to them,” he says. In 1998, Ley went to Vietnam to do a story about the working conditions in sneaker factories. “Vietnam was a beautiful country with lovely people, but we always had a government escort,” he says. “I saw what looked like a fish pond and made a remark to the official. He said to me, ‘That’s not a pond. It’s a crater from a B-52 bomb.’”

The 25th anniversary of ESPN last September 7 brought Ley happier memories. Often described as a “seasoned pro” and “veteran sportscaster,” Ley says working for the cable network has been humbling and rewarding. “The most important thing to me is how ESPN has become part of the American culture,” he says. Fittingly, for ESPN’s silver anniversary, Disney World, another part of Americana, hosted three ESPN-themed days, and Disney-MGM Studios also hosted festivities for ESPN fans.

This September, there’s another silver anniversary that’s special to Ley. Twenty-five years ago, he and his wife, Barbara, were married at Seton Hall’s Chapel of the Immaculate Conception. The couple has two daughters, 14-year-old Alexandra and 19-year-old Samantha. For the man who rubs shoulders with professional athletes as part of his job and who has met four U.S. presidents, there’s really only one person whom both he and his wife would like to meet. “The Boss,” he says. “Thirty concerts, and we still haven’t met Bruce Springsteen.”

— Sheila Smith Noonan

“WSOU radio was the center of my activities and where I made friends that I’m still in touch with today …”

(Far left) As host of ESPN’s Outside the Lines Nightly, Bob Ley ’76 grapples with tough sports issues, including race, violence and performance-enhancing drugs. (Left) Bob Ley ’76 interviews President George W. Bush in July 2004 on a variety of sports-related topics as part of ESPN’s 25th anniversary programming.
Justin Fatica ’01/M.A.E. ’04 was the teenage boy most parents didn’t want their children hanging around. Now, years after a spiritual awakening, he is the man many parents hope their children will hear.

Fatica’s Hard as Nails Ministry reaches out to teens — on their level. Its rallies and retreats feature drama and professionally choreographed dances based on Biblical truths and set to hip-hop and rap music, all accompanied by Fatica’s “in-your-face” speaking style. These techniques are part of an effort to make Jesus Christ more appealing to the MTV generation. “Ever since I was 17, I’ve felt God calling me to use my gifts to make Jesus popular,” the 26-year-old Fatica says.

Two of those gifts are weight-lifting and boxing. For penance, a priest once told Fatica to burn off his excess energy in a weight room. He’s been working out ever since. One of Hard as Nails’ goals is to open a world-class gym with basketball courts and the finest in physical conditioning equipment, along with a 5,000-seat auditorium for events to help people build their spiritual selves. “The gym will be promoted like any other gym, but we will sponsor people who can’t afford to join. It will be a place where people feel comfortable talking about their faith and are encouraged to go to its arena for prayer meetings,” he explains. Plans and financial support for the gym are in the early stages, but Fatica hopes that by 2009 the facility will open in central New York state or central or northern New Jersey.

The ministry’s name evokes thoughts of a toned body or a tough persona. To Fatica, it actually refers to Romans 5:8, one of his favorite Bible verses. “But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.” Or, as Fatica explains it: “Being hard as nails means that when someone doesn’t deserve love, love them anyway.”

Some of the teens to whom Fatica ministers are struggling with serious issues but are turned off by religious establishments that seem to judge them rather than understand them. Fatica reaches these kids because he once was one of them.

“As a teenager, I had a seriously bad attitude. Sure, I attended Catholic school all my life, but there I was shooting potato guns at cars, getting into fights and heavily into the party scene,” he says. At Cathedral Preparatory School in Erie, Pennsylvania, his antics caught the attention of Father Larry Richards. Recalls Fatica, “He told me he believed I had potential and gifts, but wasn’t using them, and that I was a follower, not a leader.”

Father Richards’ message started to sink in as a series of crises rocked Fatica’s world. He turned to prayer for help. “God put a lot on my heart. He asked me if I loved him because I was out of a difficult situation, or because of the cross,” says Fatica. “That day, I promised to play no more games and received a vision for a ministry to make Jesus real in teenagers’ lives.”

When it came time for Fatica to apply to college, Seton Hall University drew his interest. “I saw it as a place to help grow my faith — and to see some really great BIG EAST basketball,” Fatica says. And so a brash young man with a streetwise attitude and a tender heart came to South Orange. He didn’t waste much time in making his presence known. As Fatica recalls, “I saw Monsignor [Robert] Sheeran [’67, University president] walking across campus, introduced myself...
and shared my enthusiasm for the Gospel. He invited me to his office to talk, and we’ve had a good relationship ever since.”

Fatica majored in philosophy because he was considering entering the priesthood. He double majored in elementary education for “something to fall back on,” a decision that’s proven to be fortuitous. While a freshman, he befriended a classmate, Mary Elizabeth Zimmerman ’01/M.A.E. ’03. As their relationship developed, it became increasingly clear that he could not make a commitment to the priesthood. The couple married in 2003. “My wife, Mary, is the cornerstone of all I do,” says Fatica. “She is my lighthouse in a dark world, the one who keeps my vision straight on the narrow path.”

Fatica’s job involves directing Paramus Catholic’s retreat ministry. He also leads a youth prayer meeting that draws about 100 teens a week. In 2002, Fatica decided that he needed to do even more to fulfill his promise to God. So he founded the Hard as Nails Ministry, which was incorporated in 2004.

“Fatica lives by faith and is always trying to live it out. He is not content with where he’s at, and he’s constantly trying to do more and more for the Lord,” says Vail. “He’s a great example of faith and a great example of living it out.”

The Hard as Nails Ministry has several components. The High School Event Ministry is a team of teens from northern New Jersey who present Christ to their peers. Students at Rutgers and Cornell universities can become involved with the Souldierz College Ministry, which promotes faith on the campuses and to high school and middle school students in surrounding communities. Fatica is hopeful that a Souldierz team will soon start at his alma mater. There is also training for leaders in the various ministries on effective strategies for presenting the Gospel to youth. Recognizing the importance of a strong family, Hard as Nails also involves parents.

Fatica’s ministry participates in large youth events, such as the Inside Out Soul Festival in Lincoln, New Hampshire, which attracts nearly 15,000 people each year, and a rally at Six Flags in Jackson, New Jersey. He also has made presentations or participated in events in Arkansas, Connecticut, Florida, New York, Pennsylvania and Vermont.

As a popular speaker at smaller venues, such as youth group meetings and retreats, Fatica reaches young people within the Archdiocese of Newark on a more personal level. He has been a speaker for the Saint Michael’s youth group in Union, New Jersey, for the past five years. After a retreat attended by 55 teens, he received e-mails from 22 of them. “I am a person who has made mistakes and been forgiven, and teens identify with that,” says Fatica. “I show them the love of God and encourage them to make the right choices. I talk to teens about Jesus and challenge them to make Him part of their lives.”

Fatica is one person determined to make a difference in many people’s lives. “I believe that through receiving the Body of Christ, reading His word daily and with the gifts of the Holy Spirit given to me, I can bring the power of Jesus Christ in a dynamic and powerful way,” Fatica says. “My mission in life is to remember the details. My mission is to take care of people like the girl in Starbucks who was depressed. I took one minute to pray with her. One conversation could light up someone’s life.”

— Sheila Smith Noonan
PIRATES

in print

Our Oldest Enemy: A History of America’s Disastrous Relationship with France
by John J. Miller and Mark Molesky, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of History
(Doubleday, $24.95)

In light of world affairs, one might believe that Franco-American relations have only recently become strained. Miller and Molesky argue in Our Oldest Enemy, however, that throughout American history, France has not always been a friend.

In 1704, a group of French and Native Americans massacred colonists in Massachusetts. Recently, France declared that it did not support U.N. involvement in ousting Saddam Hussein from Iraq. Citing such examples, Miller and Molesky suggest that France has always pursued its own interests while disguising its actions as diplomacy.

Molesky is an assistant professor of history at Seton Hall University. He earned a Ph.D. in History from Harvard University, where he has been a lecturer. Miller reports on national politics for the National Review.

“Will Al Franken and Bill O’Reilly Please Shut Up”: How to Make Millions as a Liberal or Conservative
by Paul Walsh ’85/J.D. ’89
(Tammany Press, $11.95)

Both entertaining and informative, Walsh’s book is filled with details about the origins, financing and agendas of what he considers to be the nation’s 100 most powerful liberal and conservative groups. His nonpartisan reviews of these organizations appeal to those interested in learning about U.S. government, politics and history.

Walsh’s objective is twofold. He wants readers to understand the history and current status of these influential and politically active groups, such as the American Civil Liberties Union and the Catholic League. Walsh also encourages those who desire a career in politics to use the book as a resource. The appendix includes contact information and tips for joining the groups, many of which offer internships, fellowships and volunteer opportunities.

Walsh is an attorney in a New York City firm.

Dead in Their Sights: An Edie Koslow-Tony Del Plato Mystery
by John Dandola ’73
(Compass Point Mysteries, $12.95)

West Orange was a picturesque small town in 1942 — shops, churches and family-owned businesses lined the main streets. Much of the landscape was still farmland, and the town earned a respected reputation as the headquarters of the famous Edison Industries.

In this work of historic fiction by a West Orange native, resident and historian, the town experiences mysterious disasters as America enters World War II. While the police, mayor and FBI try to figure out who is plotting the sabotage and destruction, town barber Tony Del Plato and Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer (MGM) publicist Edie Koslow pair up to take the case into their own hands, using their local connections to gain access and information.

With war as a backdrop, Dead in Their Sights details a terrorist act carried out by supporters of the Irish Republican Army. The novel also follows three German saboteurs who sneak into the country by way of the New Jersey coastline to hatch a devastating plot and features an ironic twist of fate that reminds readers of today’s all-too-familiar events in Iraq.

In writing about a different era, Dandola focuses on accurately portraying characters from the period (both fictional and real). The author asserts that he is never influenced by contemporary events. “Intentionally setting out to draw parallels to the present can . . . be a losing proposition,” he says. Although he did not intend to relate his World War II fiction to the current war on terror, readers will realize that international terrorism is not a new phenomenon.

Dead at the Box Office (1990) was Dandola’s first book in the Koslow-Del Plato mystery series, and he is now writing the third, Dead by All Appearances. Orson Welles, the renowned writer, actor, director and producer who died in 1985, encouraged Dandola to write the series when Welles discovered
that Dandola’s maternal grandfather had been a personal messenger boy for Thomas A. Edison.

Welles “made me swear that some day I’d write something with that as the plot device,” Dandola says. “I did him one better. The Tony Del Plato character is based on and named for my grandfather.” Dandola, who was studying film, theater and television at Seton Hall, met Welles during an interview conducted by a friend, a Boston disc jockey. After the interview, Welles and Dandola talked for hours about his involvement with and interest in Hollywood film.

In an author’s note in *Dead in Their Sights*, Dandola points out that his historical depictions of West Orange and New Jersey are entirely accurate. His roots in the area enable him to fill his mysteries with so much local color and detail that even readers unfamiliar with the town can create vivid pictures of it in their minds.

Dandola introduces readers to more than a dozen characters, each with a distinct personality. One can almost hear the Irish, English and Norwegian accents as the characters come to life.

The relationship between the two amateur sleuths develops when Koslow, the publicist, returns to her hometown on assignment and makes a point to meet up with Del Plato, her longtime friend. Together, the two know just about everyone in — and everything about — West Orange. The mayor recognizes that Del Plato’s charm and connections are a huge asset, and often takes him on his rounds.

Koslow is even more of a charmer. She uses her brains — and her striking good looks — to get MGM the type of press it needs. In fact, her reputation as a keen and dedicated publicist lands her that special assignment in West Orange, trying to dig up information on a young actress.

The events of *Dead in Their Sights* remind readers that it is difficult to escape the tragedies of war, even in small-town America. In his book, Dandola summarizes an article written by one of the characters, a *New York Daily News* reporter, about how “the war was causing the world to grow ever smaller … in these days of modern technology when anything was possible — even in the backyards of suburban America — those hard at work in the war effort must pay close scrutiny to strangers and strange occurrences for the sake of our nation and our allies.” It is advice that also applies today.

Dandola, who has also written screenplays, has adapted several Irish short stories by William Carleton for the Celtic Theatre Company (CTC), in residence at Seton Hall University. His *Tales of a Public House*, billed as “an evening of wild imaginings and traditional Irish music,” made its debut in March. James P. McGlone, Ph.D., founder of the CTC and professor of communication at the University, was one of Dandola’s professors. Says McGlone: “John is a local lad who has distinguished himself, and he has managed to do that while retaining a real affection for the area and his alma mater.”

— Lori Varga
Pirate Cheers Heard Coast-to-Coast
Gathering in 10 cities nationwide, Seton Hall University alumni united in spirit on January 17 to cheer on the Pirates men’s basketball team versus the University of Connecticut Huskies. Alumni chapters in Dallas, Houston; Los Angeles; Sea Girt, New Jersey; Phoenix; Raleigh, North Carolina, Providence, Rhode Island, San Francisco; and Washington, D.C., coordinated a “National Game Watch” to view the live ESPN broadcast. The Pirates fell to the Huskies 68-77.

Pictured below in Padre Murphy’s sports bar near Phoenix are (from left) Nick Tiritilli, Julius Tiritilli ’77, Gerald Neal ’96, Nicole Harguindeguy ’96, Peter Bonavito ’71, Harry Shapiro ’70, Brian Wendel ’96 and Doug Brown ’70, all from the Arizona Chapter.

1940s
Frank “Pep” Saul ‘49, of East Hanover, NJ, was inducted into the New Jersey Sports Hall of Fame in October 2004. Saul, who was the first Seton Hall basketball player to score more than 1,000 points during his varsity career, was team captain for three years. Following his graduation, he spent six years with the National Basketball Association (NBA). Saul is the only NBA player from New Jersey to have been a part of four championship teams: the Rochester Royals (1949-50) and the Minneapolis Lakers (1951-52, 1952-53 and 1953-54).

1950s
Hirsch L. Silverman, M.A.E. ’57, Ph.D., of West Orange, NJ, is the author of more than 300 published works about clinical and forensic psychology and marital therapy. Silverman has received numerous distinctions, accolades and medals in addition being one of two people inducted into the Intertel Hall of Fame in 2004. He holds diplomat status on 16 national psychology and health care boards. For more than 60 years, he has been a clinical and forensic psychologist, psychotherapist and marital therapist, and he has more than 40 years of experience in higher education. A professor emeritus at Seton Hall University, he chaired the Department of Administration and Supervision of the College of Education and Human Services.

1960s
Joseph M. Dowling ’65, of Stamford, CT, was the first American in the handcycle category to finish the 2004 New York City Marathon. Dowling also was the first finisher over age 50 and placed sixth overall while setting the course record for wheelchair athletes age 65 and over. Dowling is president and chief public accountant of the Dowling Group Ltd. in Stamford.

1970s
Larry A. Greene, M.A. ’70, Ph.D., of East Orange, NJ, was elected chairman of the New Jersey Historical Commission. This agency of the Department of State promotes New Jersey’s history by subsidizing research through grants, coordinating programs and conferences for the general public, and publishing books and pamphlets. Greene’s two-year term began in January. A specialist in African-American history, Greene is a professor of history at Seton Hall University’s College of Arts and Sciences.

Judith Barberio Pollachek ’71, Ph.D., of Tewksbury Township, NJ, edited the Nurse’s Pocket Drug Guide 2005 (McGraw-Hill), an encyclopedic reference that can fit into a lab coat or be accessed from a

Samuel T. McGhee, M.A.E. ’65, of Hillside, NJ, was appointed executive director of the Joint Meeting of Essex and Union Counties, a wastewater treatment facility in Elizabeth that serves the two New Jersey counties. McGhee, a retired dean from New Jersey City University, served on the Governing Council of the Township of Hillside.


1970s
Larry A. Greene, M.A. ’70, Ph.D., of East Orange, NJ, was elected chairman of the New Jersey Historical Commission. This agency of the Department of State promotes New Jersey’s history by subsidizing research through grants, coordinating programs and conferences for the general public, and publishing books and pamphlets. Greene’s two-year term began in January. A specialist in African-American history, Greene is a professor of history at Seton Hall University’s College of Arts and Sciences.

Judith Barberio Pollachek ’71, Ph.D., of Tewksbury Township, NJ, edited the Nurse’s Pocket Drug Guide 2005 (McGraw-Hill), an encyclopedic reference that can fit into a lab coat or be accessed from a
PDA. Listing more than 1,000 commonly used medications, the guide provides information on topics that nurses need to know when administering and prescribing medications. Pollachek is a clinical assistant professor in the College of Nursing at Rutgers University.

James J. Teufel ’73 of Parkland, FL, was promoted to vice president and treasurer of AutoNation Inc. Based in Fort Lauderdale, it is the nation’s largest retailer of cars and light trucks. Teufel, who joined AutoNation in 2001, was the assistant treasurer prior to his promotion.

John Yavelak ’73/M.B.A. ’79 of Norcross, GA, was included in the 2004 edition of National Register’s Who’s Who in Executives and Professionals. Yavelak retired early from his career at BellSouth Science and Technology Solutions, and used the transition period to retrain in automated software testing. He is now a senior system analyst at Accenture Technology Solutions, where he serves as a lead consultant in quality- and performance-testing projects.

Joseph P. Thornton ’74 of Appleton, WI, joined Godfrey & Kahn S.C., a Milwaukee law firm, as a shareholder. His practice is in corporate, media law and tax planning in the Appleton office. Thornton was previously vice president and general counsel of Krause Publications, a book and magazine publisher in Iola, WI. He also served as senior counsel of Tribune Company’s Publishing Group in Chicago.

Michael E. Loreti ’78, M.D., of Mahwah, NJ, has a private practice in primary care sports medicine and non-surgical orthopedics in Paramus. Loreti has been a physician at the New Jersey Sport and Exposition Authority at the Meadowlands since 1995 and has worked with professional and collegiate athletes, including the Seton Hall University Pirates, as well as at concerts and special events.

Joseph F. Monti ’79, Ed.S., of Lavallette, NJ, was awarded the Chapel of Four Chaplains Humanitarian Award for his 40-year career in education, which was distinguished by community and state service. Monti taught history at Hashbrouck Heights High School for 24 years and at Toms River High School East for 16 years.

1980s

Michael A. Egenton ’86, of Voorhees, NJ, was elected chairman of the New Jersey Clean Air Council, which advises the state’s Department of Environmental Protection. He was appointed to the council in 1998 by then-Governor Christine Todd Whitman. At the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce, Egenton is assistant vice president for government relations, representing the business community on legislative and regulatory matters by lobbying the governor, the State Legislature and various state agencies on a wide range of environmental, energy, transportation and local government issues.

Father Andrew S. Hvozdovic, M.Div. ’87, of Jersey Shore, PA, was elected supreme chaplain of the Slovak Catholic Sokol. This athletic fraternal benefits society, founded in 1905 in Passaic, offers insurance, promotes fitness and undertakes benevolent activities. Father Hvozdovic also serves as national first vice president of the Slovak Catholic Federation.

1990s

Reverend Roseanne Hardy ’91, of Paterson, NJ, was ordained in the Unity Fellowship Church Movement in October 2004 in Los Angeles. She also serves on the liturgical staff of the Liberation in Truth Unity Fellowship Church in Newark.

Joseph M. Murphy ’92, of West Orange, NJ, joined the law firm of Herrick, Feinstein LLP in Newark, where he practices real estate law. Murphy previously practiced with Hogan & Hartson LLP in McLean, VA.

Lois C. Richardson, P.D.E. ’92, of West Orange, NJ, was appointed dean of the School of Arts and Sciences at Thomas Edison State College. Richardson joined the college following a 24-year career at Kean University in Union, where she held several senior-level administrative positions.

Zakeia A. Smith ’92, of Upper Darby, PA, was appointed director of alumni relations at Cheyney University of Pennsylvania. Founded in 1837, Cheyney University is the oldest historically black university in the United States.

Mark E. Heinold ’94, M.B.A., of Florham Park, NJ, was promoted to director of Global Sales Excellence for the Oncology Division at Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corp.

Jonathan Carson ’95/M.A.E. ’99, of Nutley, NJ, was promoted to assistant special agent in charge of the U.S. Department of Commerce, Office of Export Enforcement, in the New York field office.


Thomas S. Russo Jr., M.P.A. ’96, of Parsippany, NJ, was named to two boards of trustees: the Morris County Sheriff’s CrimeStoppers Inc. and the Urban League of Morris County. Russo co-chairs the 2005 Grand Tastings fundraiser for the Jersey Battered Women’s Service. He also serves as council president for the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills.

Catherine E. Flynn, M.A. ’97, of Glen Ridge, NJ, founded A Gift Basket to Remember, a Glen Ridge-based company that specializes in creating gift baskets for individuals and corporations. It was featured in an article, “The Most Mom-Friendly Workplace,” in the Glen Ridge Voice in April 2004. Flynn worked in the corporate world for more than 13 years prior to establishing this business.

Emily C. Marcelli, M.H.A. ’99, of Wayne, NJ, was elected a regent for the New Jersey chapter of the American College of Healthcare Executives for 2005-08. Marcelli is a doctoral student at Seton Hall University.
Woman’s Guild Marks 50 Years of Supporting Future Healthcare Professionals

They baked sponge cakes, held card parties, hosted fashion shows and even sold coffee laced with a nip of Irish whiskey, all to raise funds for scholarships. Along the way, the Seton Hall Woman’s Guild helped send hundreds of students to medical and dental schools.

This year, the Woman’s Guild celebrates the 50th anniversary of its founding as a group dedicated to furthering medical and dental education by granting merit scholarships. The awards go to Seton Hall University undergraduates planning to attend medical or dental schools, as well as those interested in pursuing physician assistant and rehabilitation medicine programs.

The creation of the Woman’s Guild by Right Reverend John L. McNulty, Ph.D., LL.D., then president of Seton Hall, quickly followed the establishment of New Jersey’s first medical school, the Seton Hall College of Medicine and Dentistry, in 1954. Initially, the guild consisted of mothers, grandmothers, sisters and friends of students who demonstrated a commitment to the honored profession of medicine and dentistry. Over the years, as the group expanded to welcome anyone wishing to join, it drew members from all over the United States.

“You can’t imagine the devotion these women had to their goal of funding scholarships,” Nelsen says. “Through the guild, many long-term friendships were formed, and a lasting legacy was created.”

In its 50 years, the Woman’s Guild’s endowment has grown to $2 million; only the fund’s accumulated interest is used for scholarships. During Nelsen’s tenure as president, the number of scholarships and amount awarded has...
increased four-fold, thanks to a recruitment campaign and a streamlined application process begun by adviser Linda Hsu, Ph.D., director of health professions at Seton Hall.

For the 2004-05 academic year, the Woman’s Guild granted $140,000 in scholarships to 56 students, who can apply their awards to tuition and fees, textbooks, and room and board. For many students, a Woman’s Guild scholarship can mean the difference between being able to continue school and having to drop out because of financial difficulties.

Stephen Roman ’95, a pain management specialist with the Trenton Orthopedic Group in Pennington, New Jersey, was one student who would have had trouble paying tuition without support from the Woman’s Guild. His mother, Virginia, says that with Stephen and two other sons to educate, money was tight.

“My husband believed strongly in sending our sons to Catholic schools, so it was expensive,” she recalls.

After graduating from Seton Hall’s pre-med program, Roman attended UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School. He completed residencies in physical medicine, rehabilitation and internal medicine at Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation in West Orange and the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in East Orange. He also did a fellowship in pain management at Emory University Medical Center in Atlanta. Each October during University Day festivities, the Romans share their positive experiences with other scholarship awardees and Woman’s Guild members.

In earlier days, the guild raised funds through its “Pink Champagne Ball” and by raffling off tea sets, Waterford crystal and visits to local spas. However, illness and aging have slowed the activities of many of its 100 members. Of the three charter members who remain active — Kay Duffy, of Branchburg, New Jersey; Marie Garibaldi, of Weehawken, New Jersey; and Leitha Lepis, of Brookfield, Connecticut — Duffy is the only one who can regularly attend meetings.

The Woman’s Guild welcomes new members. It meets on the second Thursday of each month at 11 a.m. for Mass in the Campus Ministry Chapel in Boland Hall, followed by a luncheon and a guest speaker. Father James Spera ’73/M.Div. ’76, director of Campus Ministry, serves as the guild’s moderator and, according to Nelsen and Duffy, has been integral to making the Woman’s Guild feel “at home” at Seton Hall. Monsignor William Noe Field, ’36, M.A., M.L.S., who passed away in 2001, guided the guild prior to Father Spera for more than 45 years.

On April 17, the guild’s 50th anniversary celebration began with a Mass in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception, followed by a reception in the Chancellor’s Suite. The group raffled off a fully furnished Victorian cottage dollhouse, donated by Irmgard Thompson, a friend of the Woman’s Guild.

— Barbara Iozzia

For more information about the Woman’s Guild, call Gail Nelsen at (732) 872-9153.
2000s
Peter J. Ciotta, M.A. ‘02, of Amherst, NY, was named director of corporate communications at Gibraltar, located in Buffalo, NY. Gibraltar manufactures and distributes more than 5,000 residential and commercial building products, is one of America’s leading metal processors and is North America’s second-largest commercial heat treater. Ciotta’s career includes more than 19 years in journalism, public relations and corporate communications. He previously served as director of public relations for Rich Products Corp. He is a member of the United Way Marketing Committee, the Buffalo/Niagara Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America and the Compeer of Greater Buffalo’s Public Relations Committee.

Brian J. Coyne, M.P.A. ‘02, of Flanders, NJ, is listed in the 2005-06 Marquis’ Who’s Who in Science and Engineering. Coyne joins internationally recognized science and engineering professionals for his achievements in pharmaceutical research and development.

Jendayi J. Harris ‘02, of Bogota, NJ, was promoted to adviser coach of American Express Financial Advisors Inc. Harris consults with clients on financing their children’s education, as well as on retirement and achieving financial success.

Richard Orlando, Ph.D. ‘02, of Princeton, NJ, is director of the Practice Management Consulting Group for Merrill Lynch. Orlando uses his expertise in psychology and financial services to coach Merrill Lynch’s financial advisers and work teams on communicating, roles and responsibilities, goal setting, accountability and leadership. He was featured in a November 2004 Research magazine article, which mentioned his business travels to Paris and Dubai and how he formerly counseled student-athletes at Seton Hall University.

Patrick A. Cozza ’04, of Oldwick, NJ, is group executive for two business divisions at Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC) North America Holdings Inc. Cozza oversees insurance services and taxpayer financial services. HSBC, headquartered in London, is the second-largest financial services organization in the world. In February 2004, Cozza was named to the board of Cancer Hope Network, a nonprofit organization that matches patients with volunteers to provide support.

Oscar DaGraca ’04, of Union, NJ, joined the New Brunswick office of WithumSmith+Brown as a staff accountant. The accounting and financial consulting firm has offices throughout New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania.

Kevin J. O’Neill, M.S.N. ’04, of Rockaway, NJ, was appointed vice president of patient care services at SemperCare Hospital of Belleville. O’Neill previously served as patient care manager at Saint Clare’s Hospital in Denville.

Marriages
Maria D. Moreno ’92 to Kenneth Charles Wegener Jr.
Maria Bigonzi ’95 to Mark D. Klein
Karen M. Savage ’96/M.A.E. ’98 to Steven Gaeta
Janine M. Ferrante, M.A.E. ’97 to Lawrence P Varhau
Kimberly A. Capadona ’98/J.D. ’01 to Juan J. Trillo, J.D. ’01
Peter E. Moran ’98/J.D. ’01 to Lisa M. Bello
Karina Siano ’99 to Christopher Clay Kicklighter
Kristen A. Koehler, M.A. ’00 to Michael J. Kubert Jr.
Michele J. Wright ’00 to Steven DePascale ’01
Jason Delia ’02 to Courtney Koepfler ’02
Stephen Pierce ’02/M.A.E. ’04 to Mary T. Savner ’02/M.A. ’04
Sue X. Wen ’04 to John H. Thai

Baby Pirates
Neville A. Bhacka ’85/M.B.A. ’94 and Barbara, twin girls, Alyssa and Samantha, July 6, 2004
Donna (Ray) Lindemeyer ’86/M.A. ’97 and Gregory Charles, a girl, Nicole Marie, October 13, 2004
Dennis G. Collins ’88 and Patricia, a boy, Anthony Joseph, May 6, 2004
Anthony V. Benevenia ’89 and Judy, a boy, Daniel Jackson, October 18, 2004
Wendy (Lesbieski) Denmead ’89 and Edward, a boy, Gavin Paul Humbert, June 6, 2004

2000s
David P. Gagliano ’89 and MaryAnn, a boy, Giovanni Salvatore, October 23, 2004
Jacqueline A. Benitez ’90 and Manuel Rosso, twins, Monica and Manuel Rosso, November 17, 2004
Mirta B. (Gonzalez) Capan ’90 and Robert M. Capan ’90, a boy, Dylan Robert, May 10, 2004
Gregory A. Paul ’90 and Susan, a boy, Garrett Charles, August 31, 2004
Richard J. Gill ’92 and Song, a boy, Aidan Matthew, December 18, 2004
Anne (Prendergast) Kisslinger ’92 and Paul, a girl, Mira Margaret, June 30, 2004
Ernest W. Knewitz ’92 and Tracey (Sellitto) Knewitz ’93, a boy, Patrick Ernest, August 23, 2004
Tiffany (Ehman) Moutis ’93 and George, a girl, Ariana Jean, June 23, 2004
Thomas A. Ruck ’93 and Rae Ann (Pickwood) Ruck ’94, a girl, Katelyn Elisabeth, November 3, 2004
Michael San Andres ’93 and Maria (Aranda) San Andres ’94, a girl, Madison Ryan, August 28, 2004
Faye E. Thompson ’93 and Dean, a boy, Andrew Joseph, November 8, 2004
Robert Xavier Torres ’93 and Laura, a boy, Jackson Xavier, November 6, 2004
Joseph W. Ferraro ’94 and Petrina (Osnato) Ferraro ’95, a boy, Christian John, May 2, 2004
Camille (Petrizzo) Mercado ’94 and Ed, a girl, Gabriela Maria, June 1, 2004

ALUMNI
news & notes
Always Faithful to the Marines and Seton Hall

From his faculty office in the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies in Honolulu, Seton Hall University is half a world away. But to Marine Lieutenant Colonel Denis P. Muller ’79, keeping in touch is as easy as e-mailing his Seton Hall mentor, Monsignor Michael E. Kelly, now headmaster of Seton Hall Preparatory School.

Muller, 48, says his Seton Hall education and experiences prepared him well for life and a career with the U.S. Marine Corps. After his family immigrated to New Jersey from France when he was six weeks old, Muller grew up in Saddle Brook. Joining the Marines in 1980, a year after graduation from Seton Hall University, Muller found that the Marine Corps’ motto, Semper Fidelis, Latin for “Always Faithful,” was already ingrained in him because of his experiences at the University.

Seton Hall, where he majored in French, helped shape Muller’s perspectives on the world — a world that has taken him from New Jersey to duty in six states and more than 20 countries. “My years at Seton Hall enriched my senses regarding sound Catholic values of family and integrity, and provided me with a clear vantage point from which to start this adventure we call life,” he says.

Playing three varsity sports at Seton Hall — soccer, fencing (saber) and tennis — also sharpened Muller’s skills as a leader and instilled in him a strong sense of teamwork, he says. He was co-captain and Most Valuable Player (MVP) of the soccer team during his junior and senior years, and captain and MVP of the fencing team during his senior year.

His professional military education has included the Infantry Officers Advanced Course, Basic Airborne course, Amphibious Warfare School, Command and Staff College, the Defense Attaché Course, NATO Staff Officers course, and the Executive Course — Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies.

Muller has enjoyed a diverse 25-year career as a Marine. An infantry officer, he has gained significant experience in political-military affairs as a foreign area officer for Western Europe and as a regional affairs officer for East Asia. Stationed in Paris, France as the Marine Corps attaché from 1995 to 1999, he was the personal representative of the Commandant of the Marine Corps to the French Armed Forces, and a principal adviser to the U.S. ambassador on all U.S. Marine Corps activities in Europe and Africa. He provided assistance to U.S. policymakers on complex international issues and helped to build bridges of understanding between diverse peoples and cultures.

His career highlights, include serving in Paris, the honor and privilege of leading Marines throughout his career, participating in the liberation of Kuwait City in 1991 during the Gulf War; and while stationed at the Marine Barracks in Hawaii from 1983 to 1986, heading the personal security details of President Ronald Reagan, Vice President George H.W. Bush, Secretary of State George Schultz and President Ferdinand Marcos of the Philippines during their official visits.

“I had my photo taken with President Reagan after I presented him a Marine t-shirt, and I also met Vice President George H.W. Bush,” Muller recalls. Other celebrities who passed through Muller’s security detail in Hawaii included actor Tom Selleck, star of the 1980s television series Magnum, P.I., and Sylvester Stallone, who was on break from filming Rambo III.

Since 2002, Muller has been a military professor in the Asia-Pacific Center’s Department of Policy Studies. Muller describes his academic work in Honolulu as “helping national officials, decision makers and policymakers exchange ideas, explore pressing issues and achieve a greater understanding of the challenges that shape the security environment of the Asia-Pacific region and the world.” The center, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Defense, has a non-war-fighting mission to enhance Asia-Pacific cooperation through programs of executive education, professional exchange and policy-relevant research.

Commenting on the situation in Iraq, Muller says, “Our thousands of brave young men and women are working very hard in Iraq and are at great risk attempting to make life better for the Iraqi people. They are all heroic in facing the defiant insurgents, and I believe that future historians will write that our efforts there were successful.”

After retirement from the Marines, Muller intends to remain “in paradise” in Kapolei, a suburb of Honolulu, with his wife, Im, a product specialist for Estée Lauder.

Ever the athlete, Muller enjoys racing in one- and six-man outrigger canoes. These grueling races encompass everything from sprints to 41-mile-long races in the Pacific Ocean. Muller has competed in Australia’s “International Hamilton Cup,” a 26-mile race in rough ocean currents.

“I have had an incredible life,” Muller says, “and have Seton Hall to thank for giving me a solid foundation.”

— Barbara Iozzia

The Marine Corps’ motto, Semper Fidelis, was ingrained in Denis P. Muller ’79 while an undergraduate majoring in French at Seton Hall long before he joined the Marines. Today, Marine Lieutenant Colonel Muller is a military professor in the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies in Honolulu.
Brian C. Schunke '94 and Christine (Lopez) Schunke '93, a boy, Jake Robert, March 3, 2004

Ann (Fitzsimmons) Turnbull '94 and Robert, a boy, Robert Kenneth, September 16, 2004

Jennifer (Keating) Gessner '95 and Keith, a girl, Lauren Anne, September 11, 2004

David M. Post '95 and Kristen, a girl, Delaney Rose, May 13, 2004

Andrew P. LaMonica '96 and Christina, twin girls, Olivia and Gabriella, June 22, 2004

Melissa (Naddeo) Nazzaro '96, M.A. and Mark Nazzaro '98/M.S. '01, a girl, Lindsey Ann, August 3, 2004

Laurie Chown-tavi-Voltrauer '97 and Phillip, twins, Christopher Scott and Kaylin Hope, May 21, 2004

Bryan Felt '97 and Tara (Hartman) Felt '98, a boy, Tyler William, July 22, 2004

Robert Ypelaar '97 and Yvette (Espinoza) Ypelaar '98/M.A.E. '00, a girl, Riley Catherine, August 19, 2004

Christopher P. Albano '98 and Lisa M. (Patrick) Albano '00, a boy, Aidan Michael, July 22, 2004

Jennifer (Forrar) Keenan '96 and Michael, a boy, Colin, April 3, 2004

Robert D. Williams '98 and Jean, a boy, Robert Daniel, April 9, 2004

Whitney (Melia) Margopuis '99 and Jamie, a boy, Jack Anthony, April 28, 2004

Nicole (Dohme) Midura '99/M.A.E. '04 and Joseph, a boy, Wiley Stephen, August 27, 2004

Heather (Gabloff) Probst '99 and John M. Probst '99, a boy, Ryan John, September 29, 2004

Margaret Horsfield Burt, M.A. '02 and Joe, a boy, Charles Curry, November 7, 2004

In Memoriam

Robert D. Glynn '34
Frank X. Clark, M.A.E. '40
Carol O. Reis '42
Rose M. Carchio '46
William J. Boyle '48
Harry F. Cavanaugh '48
Thomas F. Sheridan '48
Charles FerraioUi '49
Frank W. Langdon '49
Agnes H. Fahy, M.A.E. '50
Albert J. Gepes Sr. '50
Marion Gomolka '50
John J. Walburn '50
Norman J. Weinme '50
James A. White '50

news & notes

ALUMNI

Arizona
Phoenix
Harry Shapiro '70
harrybs@quik.com

California
Los Angeles
Lou Lembo '79
llembo@sbcglobal.net
San Francisco
Kurt Millet '02
kmillet@lagalaxy.com

Connecticut
Eastern
Joe Rowe '79
jrowe@lincolnservice.com

Illinois
Chicago
Gary Scott '61
GScott1740@aol.com

New Jersey
Monmouth County
Michael Considine '84
michael_considine@horizon-bcbsnj.com

North Carolina
Raleigh
Chip Brown '79
chip@nc.rr.com, chipbr@us.ibm.com

Rhode Island
Paul Tencher '02
ptencher@sec.state.ri.us

Texas
Austin
Richard Oppenheimer '55
alumni@shu.edu
Dallas
Pat Murray '64/M.B.A. '72
alumni@shu.edu
Houston
Brian Swift '85
bswift@mailbmc.com

Washington, D.C.
Tracy Kelly '99
tracyannekelly@gmail.com

Seton Hall Regional Chapters

To become involved in a regional chapter, contact the individual listed below or Kristen Koehler, M.A. '00, director of regional programs for Seton Hall University, Alumni Relations, at 1-800-992-GRAD (4723) or alumni@shu.edu.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>State</th>
<th>Region</th>
<th>Contact Person</th>
<th>Email Address</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Arizona</td>
<td>Phoenix</td>
<td>Harry Shapiro '70</td>
<td><a href="mailto:harrybs@quik.com">harrybs@quik.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>California</td>
<td>Los Angeles</td>
<td>Lou Lembo '79</td>
<td><a href="mailto:llembo@sbcglobal.net">llembo@sbcglobal.net</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>San Francisco</td>
<td>Kurt Millet '02</td>
<td><a href="mailto:kmillet@lagalaxy.com">kmillet@lagalaxy.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Connecticut</td>
<td>Eastern</td>
<td>Joe Rowe '79</td>
<td><a href="mailto:jroe@lincolnservice.com">jroe@lincolnservice.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Illinois</td>
<td>Chicago</td>
<td>Gary Scott '61</td>
<td><a href="mailto:GScott1740@aol.com">GScott1740@aol.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>New Jersey</td>
<td>Monmouth County</td>
<td>Michael Considine '84</td>
<td><a href="mailto:michael_considine@horizon-bcbsnj.com">michael_considine@horizon-bcbsnj.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>North Carolina</td>
<td>Raleigh</td>
<td>Chip Brown '79</td>
<td><a href="mailto:chip@nc.rr.com">chip@nc.rr.com</a>, <a href="mailto:chipbr@us.ibm.com">chipbr@us.ibm.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rhode Island</td>
<td></td>
<td>Paul Tencher '02</td>
<td><a href="mailto:ptencher@sec.state.ri.us">ptencher@sec.state.ri.us</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Texas</td>
<td>Austin</td>
<td>Richard Oppenheimer '55</td>
<td><a href="mailto:alumni@shu.edu">alumni@shu.edu</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Dallas</td>
<td>Pat Murray '64/M.B.A. '72</td>
<td><a href="mailto:alumni@shu.edu">alumni@shu.edu</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Houston</td>
<td>Brian Swift '85</td>
<td><a href="mailto:bswift@mailbmc.com">bswift@mailbmc.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Washington, D.C.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Tracy Kelly '99</td>
<td><a href="mailto:tracyannekelly@gmail.com">tracyannekelly@gmail.com</a></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Correction
Paul A. Wickens ’51 should have been listed in the Fall 2004 Seton Hall University Magazine’s “In Memoriam” section as Father Paul A. Wickens ’51, in acknowledgment of his many years of service to the Catholic Church.
Let’s Remove the Bushel Basket

By Thomas E. White, M.A., Assistant Vice President for Public Relations and Marketing

"Seton Hall hides its light under a bushel basket." I first heard this biblical phrase applied to Seton Hall when I arrived here last June and have since heard it often. Many in our community feel we’re not telling our story well enough—that we’re not adequately highlighting the great scholarship and teaching achievements of our faculty, the accomplishments of our students, our dedication to issues of Catholicity and faith, the many successes of our athletic teams and student-athletes, and the notable work of our alumni. With our colleagues across the campus, the Department of Public Relations and Marketing is committed to changing this—to taking away the bushel basket.

This issue’s feature story is a fine example. As you can see, members of our priest community, staff and faculty recently trekked to media outlets from New York City to Rome to speak about the remarkable life and death of Pope John Paul II, and the enigmatic process of choosing his successor. The result was ongoing, significant, positive exposure on all major television and radio networks, cable news channels and newspapers, both national and international. These knowledgeable, articulate men and women consistently represented Seton Hall University in a manner that we should all be grateful and extremely proud.

There will be more media exposure as we dedicate significant efforts to creating opportunities for our faculty to comment on issues involving international affairs, business and economics, health care, scientific breakthroughs, education, athletics in higher education and more. We’ve just scratched the surface, but with dramatic results. Our director of media relations, Catherine Memory, only months in this position, deserves the lion’s share of the credit.

In addition, Catherine and I, along with Greg Tobin, senior adviser for strategic communications and a Papal expert (featured in our online coverage of the Pope and the conclave), will work hard to create opportunities for Monsignor Robert Sheeran to be heard widely on issues facing higher education and the Catholic Church. Charismatic, telegenic and steadfastly quotable, Monsignor Sheeran is our most effective spokesman.

It isn’t just within our media relations efforts that we are showing significant results. You’ve seen the steady improvement in the Seton Hall University Magazine as well. This, of course, will continue, while we also develop its online version to launch this fall. Shannon Allen, director of publications/University editor, and Elyse Carter, art director, will oversee these ambitious and important projects. The new online magazine will provide value-added content that expands on the content in the print version.

You likely also noticed the changes to the University’s home page (www.shu.edu) and other University Web sites. This is just the tip of the iceberg as Rob Brosnan, director of Web and digital communications, and myriad University computing staff, launch a series of new and improved Web sites and electronic communications in the upcoming months. In particular, look for a new admissions Web site in July, a new home page in mid-August and a new electronic newsletter for alumni and friends this fall.

In everything we do, it’s essential that we work closely with our nine schools and colleges to integrate and strengthen our key messages and graphic elements throughout our communication vehicles. Natalie Thigpen, senior director of integrated marketing, and her talented account management and University events staff will work diligently to help tie it all together so that we can speak with one voice.

We need only tell our story better to improve the University’s image because the “product” is there … in spades."

Father Anthony J. Figueiredo, assistant professor of systematic theology, served as an MSNBC analyst for weeks leading up to and following the Papal election. He worked at the MSNBC studios in New York City (right); served as an expert for many newspaper interviews and appeared on CNN’s Larry King Live (left). Father Figueiredo was special assistant to Pope John Paul II at four Synods of Bishops and the Consistory of Cardinals (1996-2001).
Seton Hall’s 150th
BLOW-OUT BIRTHDAY EXTRAVAGANZA

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 1, 2005

Join thousands of fellow alumni as Seton Hall marks the beginning its Sesquicentennial Celebration

Join us for music, dancing, food, fireworks and much more

Seton Hall’s biggest celebration in 150 years

Invitations and more information about the Sesquicentennial will arrive in homes in August

For more information, call the Division of University Advancement at (973) 378-2600.

The Sesquicentennial birthday celebration and University Day have been combined for this special occasion.
For information on how to obtain a Pirate plate, call the Department of Alumni Relations at 1-800-992-GRAD (4723) or e-mail alumni@shu.edu

Alumni Relations is pleased to offer Seton Hall alumni and friends this wonderful opportunity to show their Pirate pride.

Go Pirates!