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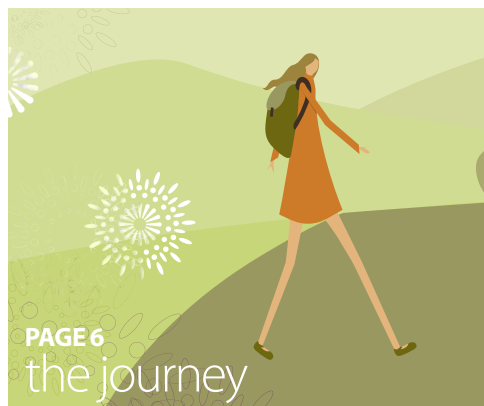
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## Spring on Saint Mary's Campus

By Kay Kenney

This spring, the beauty of the Saint Mary's College campus was backdrop for Recognition Weekend, Honors Convocation, and Commencement. Along with these events, the College calendar was jam packed with student-led seminars, symposiums, and year-end celebrations. As the new College editor, I wanted to talk to as many people and attend as many of these events as possible, all in the spirit of a beat reporter getting to know one's territory.

And while the campus asserted its presence with blooming lilac bushes and majestic pines, it became clear that the students, faculty, and alumnae provide the real magic of Saint Mary's. As alumnae and students crisscrossed paths, those generational intersections morphed into a narration that gave life to the history and mission of the College. At the Madeleva Voices roundtable, a '42 alumna described her panic when, as a young student, she and her roommates searched for a can of sauerkraut (a Sister Madeleva favorite) just minutes before Sister Madeleva arrived for dinner. In March, I saw the professional results of Danae Jiminez's '12 work in organizing this year's Diverse Students' Leadership Conference. I spoke to a '60 alumna who praised the College's mission in promoting community involvement throughout one's life, but felt unprepared for the changes that took place during that turbulent decade. In May, I saw an '82 alumna secure the mortarboard on her daughter's head for Commencement 2010.

It dawned on me that Saint Mary's College is exceptional because it delivers what it promises. For more than a century, the young women who matriculate at and graduate from Saint Mary's receive a high quality Catholic liberal arts education. Just as importantly, that education is underscored with a sense of justice for others, duty to one's community, discovery and belief in one's own talents.

One of my favorite views of the campus is through a third floor window at Haggard Hall. From this perch, you can take in the willow trees shifting in the breeze next to Lake Marian. You see students, alumnae, faculty, and staff move through the campus with purpose and faith. As the *Courier* editor, my hope is that when you turn the pages of your alumnae magazine, you will find articles that eloquently capture the essence of Saint Mary's exceptional mission and the alumnae and students who embody the College's promise.

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*Madeleva* 30<sup>TH</sup>  
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Sister M. Madeleva Wolff, CSC, who served as president of the College from 1934–1961, had a vision to make Saint Mary's College the premier Catholic, women's liberal arts college. That goal is unchanged even today, and is a core principle of President Carol Ann Mooney's strategic plan. The Madeleva Society, celebrating 30 years of dedication to the College, was established to perpetuate Sister Madeleva's dream and carry on her work.

We celebrate and thank the members of The Madeleva Society for their commitment to Saint Mary's. In this issue of the *Courier*, we take a look at a few of the Society's members who have generously donated their time, talent, and resources to its endeavors.



## ONE PERSON CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

A society is made up of many individuals, individuals who share a commonality. The members of the Madeleva Society are united in their belief in the mission of Saint Mary's and their passion to assure the future of this historic institution. An institution that provides a rigorous education and a foundation of faith preparing today's students and those of tomorrow with the skills and confidence needed to impact the world. A Saint Mary's education challenges and transforms the young women who pass through our doors. The Madeleva Society challenges us all to invest in the human potential of our students.



## TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE AN IMPACT.

The Madeleva Society thrives on challenges — three decades have passed since the society was born of a challenge from Mary Lou and Judd Leighton. In that time, members of the Society have contributed over \$60 million to ensure that deserving young women can afford to experience a Saint Mary's education. And, other donors have followed the Leightons' example of initiating challenges to benefit the College and our students.

- Over the past 30 years, Madeleva Society members have been directly responsible for the establishment of 180 scholarships, five endowed chairs, 21 library funds, 11 program funds, and 13 academic department funds.
- The Madeleva Society membership today includes 43 charter members who have been there from the start — — generously supporting the College and providing an example to all who love Saint Mary's College and support the mission.
- Ten charter members were present at this year's Donor Recognition Dinner to lead the celebration of the 30th anniversary of this important Society.



*For more information about The Madeleva Society, please visit [saintmarys.edu/annual-societies](http://saintmarys.edu/annual-societies) or contact the Annual Fund Office at (800) SMC-8871.*





# THE *Journey*

BY SHANNON E. BREWER '03

From the day they receive their acceptance letters to the final commencement march, a student's four-year college experience can be likened to a pilgrimage. Whether they study abroad or undertake a business internship, sing with the Women's Choir or participate in daily basketball practice, each student follows a unique course that determines who they are and who they will become upon graduation.

Saint Mary's has designed a new student advising program to guide our young women on their journey through the College experience. The Cross Currents Program debuted in the fall of 2009. A collaboration between three College divisions, Academic Affairs, Mission, and Student Affairs, Cross Currents helps students navigate choices and build confidence.

"A cross current in a river is where different currents converge into each other," Dr. Patricia Fleming, senior vice president and dean of faculty, says of the program's name. "Our students have always enjoyed a multitude of resources available to them from the three divisions, and the programs often flow into each other. Cross Currents recognizes the inter-connection of these resources and delivers them with a more systematic approach."

Cross Currents programming encourages each student to explore her vocation or calling in life by considering four central questions: "Who am I?" "What is my passion?" "To what am I called?" and "How can I make a positive difference in the world?"

The three College divisions organize programs relevant to each class. First-year students, beginning with the Class of 2013, are paired with student mentors from other classes and meet individually and in groups throughout the year. They also meet with faculty advisors, who make themselves available for meetings outside of class.

In addition, the Cross Currents program provides an e-portfolio (electronic portfolio) system, where students will store information regarding advising, internship, job-shadowing, and other experiences throughout the year. The purpose, according to the Cross Currents mission, is to provide students a platform upon which to reflect upon and learn from their educational activities (both inside and outside of the classroom). Other facets of Cross Currents include internship development, summer internship grants, and several other programs including the Collegiate Speaker Series, featuring prominent Indiana professionals.

## Who AM I?



As a first-year student in theatre, Joy Viceroy '13 says nothing beats the rush she feels as she takes a final bow. Her intended music and theatre double major has already provided her with the thrill of performance, though she only just completed her second semester here. She is a member of the Women's Choir, the Liturgical Choir, and had roles in two College theatrical productions this spring.

Viceroy's most passionate performance, however, takes place off the stage. She is a tutor through the College Academy of Tutoring (CAT) program through the Office for Civic and Social Engagement (OCSE), a segment of the Division for Mission. Each week, Viceroy volunteers as a teacher's assistant at Coquillard Primary, a local Title I school. She and her fellow tutors work with at-risk children to improve their math and reading skills.

Viceroy says the experience has changed her life. "The children I work with have taught me more than they could ever know about life, love, and learning," she says. Just before winter break last year, her first graders at Coquillard wrote letters to Santa. The catch was that they had to ask for something for someone else. One little boy asked Santa for a job for his dad. "As a child, he should be going to school and having fun with his friends, not worrying about such 'adult' issues. To ask for something of that magnitude showed me that this small child was weighed down by grown-up concerns," she says.

Viceroy's class is the first to be guided by the Cross Currents program. By participating in campus clubs, including Thesians Unplugged, Viceroy has taken advantage of opportunities to explore the subjects nearest and dearest to her heart while dedicating her first year to asking the question, "Who am I?"

The answer to that question, Viceroy says, is a matter of exploration. "Although I am bound and determined to make a career for myself on the stage, I have considered other options during my short time here," says Viceroy. "Who am I today? Today I am a performer; however, yesterday I was an economist. Tomorrow I might be a liturgical musician." This question has launched her Saint Mary's journey and inspired self-exploration by encouraging both academic and spiritual growth that will take her through four years at the College.

## What IS MY PASSION?



Kate Park '12 says that her study abroad experiences have taught her to really listen. "When someone is speaking to you in a foreign language, you have to pay attention or you miss something," she says. It's a lesson in being present to others that Park applies in many areas of her life, including her work with children.

The Glen Gardner, NJ, native is an education major who spent the spring semester in Saint Mary's Seville, Spain, study abroad program. Park found her passion in teaching and travel and says that's a direct result of the mentoring and opportunities for exploration she has experienced here so far. A meeting with student teaching director Karen Van Meter made a particular impression on Park. "I remember her telling me that I had to do something I was passionate about. That no matter what, I needed to find my passion and then do it." Van Meter asked Park to tell her what she enjoyed most and noted that Park was smiling throughout the conversation as she talked about caring for the children she worked with through her education department placements. After leaving that meeting, Park says, she knew she had been called to teaching.

Park's passion for learning extends beyond the Spanish culture and language. She is a history buff and loves teaching children about the founding and ideals of our country as well as the history of other cultures. Her education classes, where she creates and presents unit plans and observes in an actual classroom, fuel her fire. "Saint Mary's is providing me with all the tools and skills that I will need to be a successful and effective teacher so that I can make a difference in the lives of children," she says. If she puts her Spanish to use in the field, well, that's just icing on the cake. What Park really wants is to reach children, to be present to them, to instill in them the value of education and the confidence to pursue their goals.

## To WHAT AM I CALLED?



Katrina Mesina '11 is a motivator. She relishes helping others to achieve their goals. She believes in educating people on how to advocate for themselves and has witnessed the power of this process through her work at the South Bend Center for the Homeless. This year, Mesina paired up with fellow communication studies major Claire Yancy '11 to create the Women's Program, a women's studies initiative

to be installed at the South Bend Center for the Homeless next year. The program is based on work the two conducted through Professor Terri Russ's public communication class. Students in the class taught Homeless Center clients about communication skills necessary to be successful in life with family, school, work, and day-to-day affairs.

Mesina also is passionate about working with people with special needs. A Darien, Ill., native, she has participated in a fundraising walk for the Chicago chapter of the Autism Speaks organization for the past five years. She and her dorm mates in Holy Cross Hall also volunteer at Hannah and Friends, a nonprofit organization founded by former Notre Dame football coach Charlie Weiss and his family. Mesina wants to continue her work by bringing a chapter of Autism Speaks to Saint Mary's.

Her experiences, both volunteer and academic, have guided Mesina to her ultimate calling: to work in service of others as a student and after graduation as a professional. Her involvement in Saint Mary's student government gives her opportunities to coach other students to excel. "My goal is to create an environment where students feel comfortable with their own voices," she says.

## How CAN I MAKE A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD?



In 2006, Wenwen Bai '10 traveled thousands of miles from her home city of Chengdu, China, to attend Saint Mary's College. As she tells it, her one great challenge throughout her college experience was to learn to stand on her own two feet, to be truly independent. Saint Mary's opportunities allowed Bai to find her independence and to flourish.

This past May, Bai graduated cum laude with degrees in economics and business administration. The Department of Business Administration and Economics also awarded her the B.A. Comprehensive Award in Economics, the Academic Achievement in Economics Award, and she was invited to be a member of the National Finance Honor Society.

During her Saint Mary's years, Bai sought out experiences that would point her towards ways to engage her talents. In her sophomore year, she was awarded a Burke Student Independent Study and Research (SISTAR) grant along with her professor and mentor Jerome McElroy. The prestigious grant funds summer research and creative pursuits for a faculty-student team. Bai and McElroy studied China's trade



investment and aid in the Pacific and Caribbean islands. Their work from the grant was published in the *Island Studies Journal* in 2009.

The research experience impressed upon Bai the significance of various countries' roles in the global community. But she also found that her studies in Rome broadened her perception of her own place in that community. "[My study abroad experience] affected me tremendously. It helped shape me as a global citizen because I gained a new appreciation for Western civilization in regard to philosophy, art, and history," she says.

Saint Mary's also taught her how she could make a difference in the lives of others. As a member of the Around the World Club, Bai helped organize cultural events, including the hugely successful China Night, and offered support to other international students. She says that in addition to cultivating her identity as a strong, intelligent woman of faith, she has learned to give back. "I have truly developed an appreciation for humanity," she says broadly.

Her future now at hand, Bai will go on to pursue a master of science degree in accountancy at the University of Notre Dame in Fall 2010. ■

## *An Alumna* REAPS THE REWARDS OF SAINT MARY'S RESOURCES, AND GIVES BACK

BY NATALIE DAVIS MILLER



Alumna Jennifer Urgonski Keck '04 entered the world of personal finance prepared for the effects of the glass ceiling.

"Professor Jill Vihtelic told us that as professional women, we have to 'speak twice as eloquently, be twice as intelligent, think twice as quickly on our feet, and solve problems twice

as quickly as men in our same profession' just to be taken as seriously as men." Keck has been an investment advisor for the last six years, and she admits that it was an adjustment for her, going from an all women's college to a profession where women are often scarce. "As much as people try to pretend that it doesn't exist anymore, the 'Old Boys Club' is alive and well," says Keck. "Visitors to our office assume that I'm a secretary and begin discussing coffee needs with me."

Keck graduated cum laude with a bachelor's degree in business administration from Saint Mary's, and an MBA from Indiana University. Today she provides management and advisory services for non-profit organizations' 403(b) employer sponsored retirement plans as well as addressing individual investing needs. While the Cross Currents program wasn't in existence during her time at Saint Mary's, Keck feels her Saint Mary's experience gave her all the tools to make a difference in the world.

"Saint Mary's strengthened my Catholic faith, particularly on the Rome campus. Saint Mary's also gave us the opportunities,

ethical standards, business skills, experience, and confidence necessary to pursue our dream careers, whatever they may be. These ambitions, these desires, this faith—these are Saint Mary's gifts to us. They have shaped who we have become as Saint Mary's women, and it's our legacy as Saint Mary's women."

Keck likens her first job experience with her study abroad time in Rome. She felt out of her element, but knew deep down that she had the skills to succeed. "Living abroad requires one to adapt, accept, explore, tolerate, embrace, listen, feel, see, and to simply be with a totally open mind and heart. So we did and are forever changed for it in a most remarkable way."

A beneficiary of scholarships that helped reduce her tuition and provided her with the opportunity to study abroad, Keck is giving back to Saint Mary's as a member of the Young Madeleva Society. "When an organization makes a profound impact on your life, you have to support it—through volunteer efforts, recruiting, and donations," says Keck, who designates her donations for the Rome Program.

"I personally benefited from the alumnae who made donations to enhance our Saint Mary's experience — my three roommates and I lived in newly renovated Regina Hall our freshman year, my roommate organized adoration in the beautifully restored Holy Spirit Chapel in Le Mans Hall our senior year, we gathered each night to eat dinner in our brand new dining hall, we literally cried over our physics projects in Trumper Computer Center in the library basement. These experiences were possible only because of generous alumnae." ■

# Exceptional SENIORS 2010



## PATTY DUFFY

*Chicago, Illinois*

Patty Duffy, a nursing major, is a two-sport athlete who could often be found in Angela Athletic Facility cheering on other Belles teams, making banners, or helping out wherever needed. She also has been a member of Friends of the Orphans and Student Nurses Association.

After spending six weeks in the summer of 2009 in Kyarusenzi, Uganda, working with the Sisters of the Holy Cross in their clinic, she and another student co-founded Belles for Africa on Saint Mary's campus. Through fundraisers at sporting events, they raised more than \$5,000 for the clinic.

This past spring break, Duffy traveled with other Saint Mary's students and several medical professionals to volunteer at the Holy Family Surgery Center located near the Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos orphanage in Honduras. After graduation, Duffy will work at a hospital in the Chicago area for a year. She then hopes to travel and work in underserved areas around the world.



## SAMANTHA GOUDREAU

*Fox Lake, Illinois*

Graduating with an accounting major with a concentration in finance and a math minor, Samantha Goudreau has made the most of her Saint Mary's academic and athletic opportunities. At the Honors Convocation on May 2, she

received the Academic Achievement Award for the Business Department, and she has been named to the Saint Mary's Accounting Honors Society. She was the president of Lady Accountants of Tomorrow and the vice president of Young Executives Club. She also is a soccer star. "A big part of my life at Saint Mary's was spent training for soccer," she says. "The girls on the soccer team are like my family, and I am certainly going to miss the soccer girls more than anything I have experienced here at Saint Mary's in the last four years." She also shared her leadership skills with the Saint Mary's Admission Office as a student ambassador. She plans to sit for two parts of the CPA exam over the summer before starting full-time this fall in the Risk Consulting practice at Crowe Horwath, LLP, Oakbrook, Ill.



## KRISTLE HODGES

*South Holland, Illinois*

A poet who is comfortable in the executive suite, Kristle Hodges could be seen on campus dashing from classroom, to club meetings, to College administrative sessions. Hodges majored in English writing with minors

in Women's Studies and Religious Studies. She was awarded the prestigious Student Independent Study and Research (SISTAR) grant as a rising senior and collaborated with English Professor Max Westler on researching African-American poetry from the time period after the late 1800s through the Harlem Renaissance.

Hodges leads within several campus organizations and as a peer minister of theological reflection. She was a student trustee for the Saint Mary's Board of Trustees, president of the Sisters of Nefertiti Club, and mentored students for the Multicultural Services and Students Program. This fall she will lead her own classroom through the Teach for America Program in New Orleans, La.



## MORGAN LIGHT

*Mishawaka, Indiana*

Morgan Light has assisted with surgeries in a hospital in Ecuador, conducted a town hall meeting in Nicaragua, and has been accepted to medical school at Rocky Vista University College of Osteopathic

Medicine in Parker, Colorado.

As a rising senior, Light completed research for her senior comprehensive project on bacterial water contamination of private well drinking water on Little Corn Island, Nicaragua. The biology major presented her report on the conditions of the water in a town hall meeting on the island. "I had the opportunity to design and run my own project on international soil and make a real impact on a community. That's virtually unheard of at the undergraduate level," she says.

Light also helped run a clinic in Ecuador for five days with a medical team from Global Health Outreach. One of her choicest memories is of a woman who kissed her on the cheek after Light dispensed a small bag of Tylenol. She plans to enlist as a physician in the U.S. Army after graduate school.

*Saint Mary's College has many exceptional students. We profiled eight seniors who throughout their four years at the College studied hard, volunteered, traveled to other countries to learn about other cultures, and became leaders by way of their talents and, at times, courage. As we interviewed them, we learned they all received some level of financial assistance through Saint Mary's scholarships, which allowed them to receive a liberal arts education that values them as unique individuals.*



## NANCY MULKERRINS

*Chicago, Illinois*

Nancy Mulkerrens, the 2010 class president, majored in communicative disorders and chose a career in speech and language pathology. During her senior year Mulkerrens completed two clinical practicums, including a course

at the University of Notre Dame in which she worked with clients who suffered from autism. She also worked with a local family doing early intervention therapy. The hands-on experience she received in the program taught her how to put the things she learned in the classroom into action. She says the work affirmed her calling and prepared her to continue in a field that treats people with speech and hearing disorders, an estimated ten percent of the population.

Mulkerrens, whose parents were both born in Ireland, studied in the College's Ireland program for a full year. While living in Ireland felt like "going home" due to her family connections, she also found that she spent a lot of time getting to know the Irish culture first hand.



## BLAINE NOLAN

*Bedford, Indiana*

Blaine Nolan had her first taste of politics at the age of six after attending a sleep over at a friend's house. "My parents woke me up really early the next day to be in a parade for a friend who was running for mayor. I was so mad that I didn't talk

to them for a day." Despite that inconvenient early wake up call, the political science major has found that public service, both locally and on a national level, is her passion. She has volunteered on a number of campaigns. Through her studies and political involvement, she's met President Barack Obama, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, Kathleen Kennedy Townsend, and Chelsea Clinton. She's had internships in Senator Evan Bayh's office, and Congressman Joe Donnelly's office in D.C., while attending American University as part of a semester-long program through the political science department.

Blaine is a member of the senior board, the Political Science Club, and the Psychology Club; she was a state officer for the College Democrats of Indiana, and the treasurer for the Northern Indiana Democrats, as well as being the president of College Democrats for three years at Saint Mary's.



## QUINLAN O'GRADY

*Middletown, New Jersey*

"Faith in Action" was one of senior Quinlan O'Grady's favorite classes at Saint Mary's. She says the course challenged her to translate her beliefs into experiences, which led to a stint tutoring at an inner-city school, a class's

service learning requirement.

After graduation, O'Grady will join a two-year education service program where she'll work toward her master's degree in education while serving in an inner-city school. The education major decided to pursue teaching as a little girl and is now a passionate young teacher dedicated to encouraging students with limited opportunities. "I want to make a difference to these students and help them realize their own self-worth," she says. "I truly believe that education is the only way anyone can break out of the cycle of poverty."

Quinlan also tutored at a local primary school through the College Academy of Tutoring (CAT) program, mentored for fourth-grade girls through the Pen Pals Program, and served as a member of Students for Effective Autism Treatment (SEAT).



## KELLI RIPP

*Peoria, Illinois*

One of Kelli Ripp's political science professors, Patrick Pierce, has always made it a point to tell her she will go on to do great things. She believed him. She plans to pursue a career with a government agency after graduation.

Ripp's political science major offered her the opportunity to study in Washington, D.C., where she wrote her senior comprehensive project. While there, she developed a passionate interest in asylum law and immigration issues. Retired State Department Foreign Service officer Dan Whitman was her research supervisor, and Ripp says he opened up her eyes to the nuances of her topic and of U.S. government policy in general. "I like that there is an international aspect to the issue [of asylum law], as well as a personal aspect and the opportunity to help people who come to America looking for a better life," says Ripp, who also studied in Ireland for a year.



# Commencement 2010

*Throughout late April and early May, several celebratory events on campus led up to Saint Mary's 2010 Commencement.*

## HONORS CONVOCATION *April 25, 2010*



Honor students were recognized in a ceremony steeped in tradition and enlivened by the honor students' diverse academic achievements. Students first met in a small ceremony held by their academic department, during which professors placed a stole or "hood" around each honor student's shoulders. Students then proceeded to O'Laughlin Auditorium.

President Carol Mooney and faculty presented several College and departmental awards. Jingqiu Guan '11 received the Saint Catherine Medal; Professor Joanne Snow, chair of the mathematics department, received the Spes Unica Award; and Professor Theodore Billy, chair of the English department, received the Maria Pieta Award.

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Kathryn Wehrli '10 gets her honors hood adjusted by Joyce Hicks, business administration professor; Wenwen Bai '10; Kristle Hodges '10; Kathleen Mills '10, Liana Rohr '10, and Laura Morris '10 get a big hug from Julie Schroeder-Biek '88, athletics and recreation director.



## BACCALAUREATE MASS *May 14, 2010*

Seniors, faculty, and families gathered at Angela Athletic Facility to attend the Baccalaureate Mass celebrated by Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades during his first visit to Saint Mary's College since his appointment last November to the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend.

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Class 2010 president Nancy Mulkerrins and vice president Leslie Youngahl; Bishop Kevin R. Rhoades blesses the seniors; the choir at Mass





## *May 10, 2010* ALUMNAE-SENIOR CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH

The Saint Mary's Alumnae Association held its annual champagne brunch where Angeline Johnson '07 presented the Outstanding Senior Award to Rachel Eisterhold '10. "I have come to realize in my time here, that Saint Mary's has brought us all to a better understanding about what we are passionate about today," said Rachel. "Whether we are passionate about working as a nurse in a local hospital, teaching children their ABCs, or spending time in the community as a social worker, we live out our passion through different experiences here at Saint Mary's."

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Seniors enjoy the brunch; Rachel Eistenstadt and guests; President Carol Ann Mooney, outstanding senior Rachel Eisterhold, and her mother, Denise Eisterhold



## *May 14, 2010* NURSES PINNING CEREMONY

Forty-one senior nursing students received their Holy Cross nursing pin in a ceremony at the Church of Our Lady of Loretto. The pinning ceremony represents the transition from nursing student to nursing professional. For Professor Linda S. Paskiewicz, the ceremony was her first at Saint

Mary's College since becoming director of the nursing program.

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Dr. Peter J. Daly ND '82, Tricia Daly '10, Florence Romano Daly '82, and Michael Daly ND '11; Kelly Horner '10; Sarah Colosimo '10 receives her Saint Mary's nursing pin from Assistant Nursing Professor Annette Peacock-Johnson; nursing students file out of the Church of Our Lady of Loretto at the end of the ceremony.





# Commencement 2010

MAY 15, 2010

*"Bless the paths that lie  
ahead of these women."*

—PRESIDENT CAROL ANN MOONEY '72



TOP LEFT: A view of the Commencement procession from the Le Mans bell tower.  
BOTTOM LEFT: Students revel in the jubilation of Commencement;  
BOTTOM RIGHT: Co-valedictorians Audrey Marrah and Carly O'Connor reflect on  
the past four years and what the future holds for graduates.





For the Saint Mary's College Class of 2010, Commencement day was inspired, thought provoking, and joyous. Commencement speaker Sylvia Earle, oceanographer and National Geographic explorer-in-residence, arrived on campus by way of New York and the Galapagos Islands. Earle challenged graduates to use their talents in a world of dwindling resources. "We have an immense responsibility to take care of the natural world," said Earle. Newbery award-winning author Lois Lowry noted that, through her books, she was pleased to play a small part in many of the graduates' lives. She added whimsically, "And look how well you all turned out." President Carol Mooney conferred honorary doctorate degrees on both Earle and Lowry.

President Mooney also presented the President's Medal to the Most Reverend John M. D'Arcy, Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, and John J. O'Connor, outgoing Chair of the College's Board of Trustees.



ABOVE: President Carol Ann Mooney presides over the ceremony.

# AWARDS *and* HONORS

## LUMEN CRISTI AWARD

*Patty Duffy '10*



Patty Duffy received the Lumen Cristi Award, the College's annual recognition of a senior who is an outstanding Christian woman. As the recipient, Patty, a nursing major from Chicago, Ill., is recognized as someone who has excelled in leadership and loyalty to Saint Mary's and whose presence has had a profound effect on the College community. It is the highest award

the College confers upon a student. No matter where Patty was—classroom, dorm, courtside, a clinic in Uganda or Honduras—she found a way to make a difference in the world and led by example to inspire others to make their own contributions. Students, faculty, administrators, and staff alike express a deep respect for Patty, her talents, her academic achievements, and her generosity of spirit.

## OUTSTANDING SENIOR AWARD

*Rachel Eisterhold '10*



The Saint Mary's College Alumnae Association Board of Directors presented the Outstanding Senior Award to Rachel Eisterhold, a communication studies major from Owasso, Okla. Rachel has demonstrated exceptional dedication to and deep love for Saint Mary's College through her many student leadership roles,

including student ambassador, resident advisor, and peer minister. For the past two years she has played the oboe in the University Concert Band of Notre Dame. She also is an avid member of Saint Mary's Italian Club, where she tutors younger students and holds Italian dinners with Nancy D'Antuono, her Italian professor.

## SAINT CATHERINE MEDAL

*Jingqiu Guan '11*



The 2010 Saint Catherine Medal recipient is Jingqiu Guan '11, an economics and French double major. Jingqiu, an international student from Chengdu, China, continually impresses her professors with her exceptional ability to absorb new areas of knowledge and her outstanding dedication to scholarship. Professors routinely describe her as

the best student in the class. This achievement stems from her strong work ethic and seriousness of purpose.

## MARIA PIETA AWARD

*Professor Theodore Billy*



The recipient of this year's award is Professor Theodore Billy, chair of the Department of English. Students refer to Professor Billy, who joined the faculty in 1987, as challenging, engaging, impeccably organized, and responsive to students' changing needs. They say he sensitively adapts his teaching strategies to students of different levels and diverse abilities.

Professor Billy, students say, listens to each one of them respectfully, takes students' ideas seriously and cultivates students' potential rigorously. Because of his energy and enthusiasm for literature, students become clearer thinkers and better writers for the rest of their lives.

## SPES UNICA AWARD

*Professor Joanne Snow*



This year's recipient, Professor Joanne Snow, chair of the Mathematics Department, has demonstrated exceptional dedication to the College through her scholarship and service.

Professor Snow's name can be found on any list of members of major committees at Saint Mary's over the years, often as chair or co-chair. In addition, she has been the faculty

member on the Board of Trustees since 2006. But her greatest contribution to the College would be as a faculty member in the Department of Mathematics. She has taught in the department since 1984.



## HONORARY DEGREES

SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE CONFERRED HONORARY DEGREES ON MARINE BIOLOGIST SYLVIA EARLE AND AUTHOR LOIS LOWRY IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS.

### COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

*Sylvia Earle, PhD*



*In recognition for her outstanding professional accomplishments and her passionate commitment to saving the oceans*

Marine biologist Sylvia Earle delivered the 2010 Commencement address and received an honorary doctor of humanities degree from the College. Dubbed "Her Deepness" by the

*New York Times*, Dr. Earle has been an

Explorer-in-Residence at National Geographic since 1998, the year *Time Magazine* named her its first Hero for the Planet. She has logged more than 6,000 hours underwater with the completion of more than 60 expeditions. Her expeditions include leading the first team of women aquanauts during the Tektite Project in 1970 and setting a record for solo diving to a depth of 1,000 meters (3,300 feet). Dr. Earle was the first female chief scientist at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). She has also played a key role in establishing marine protected areas globally, including the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands National Marine Monument.

*Lois Lowry*



*In recognition of her outstanding contributions to children's literature and to generations of young people*

Lois Lowry is the author of more than 30 novels. Her books *A Summer to Die*, *Number the Stars*, and *The Giver* have become literary classics that earned her two Newbery Medals for her distinguished contributions to children's literature. "I try, through

my writing, to convey my passionate awareness that we live intertwined on this planet and that our future depends upon our caring more, and doing more, for one another," she has said. Saint Mary's elementary education majors are excited to re-experience Lowry's books as they now teach them to the next generation of elementary and middle school students. Ms. Lowry received an honorary doctorate of humanities degree from Saint Mary's College.

## THE PRESIDENT'S MEDAL

PRESIDENT MOONEY PRESENTED THE PRESTIGIOUS PRESIDENT'S MEDAL TO THE MOST REVEREND JOHN M. D'ARCY, BISHOP EMERITUS OF THE DIOCESE OF FORT WAYNE-SOUTH BEND, AND JOHN C. O'CONNOR, OUTGOING CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, FOR THEIR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE.

### THE MOST REVEREND

*John M. D'Arcy*  
BISHOP EMERITUS OF THE DIOCESE OF FORT WAYNE-SOUTH BEND



*In recognition of his dedication and faith-filled service to Saint Mary's College*

For 25 years, Bishop D'Arcy has been a faithful servant to the people of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. As Bishop, he engaged ongoing dialogue with four Saint Mary's presidents and participated regularly in campus events in a climate of trust, mutual understanding, and shared vision

with the College. After celebrating Mass on campus, he often took time to speak to students interested in deepening their faith. He tells students that the greatest award of all, the one that counts, is their diploma from Saint Mary's College. His good humor, Irish charm, and sharp wit have made every engagement with him a delight for all participants.

*John J. O'Connor*



*In recognition of his dedicated service to Saint Mary's College*

John J. O'Connor is the outgoing chair of the Board of Trustees at Saint Mary's. His 12 years of service have been a gift of wise counsel to two presidents. He is the vice chancellor and secretary of state of the State University of New York and the president of its Research Foundation.

He has brought more than 25 years of senior level expertise in higher education to his position on the Saint Mary's College Board of Trustees and has been an eloquent spokesperson on behalf of the work of the Congregation of the Holy Cross in higher education. In 2008, O'Connor and his wife traveled with a College delegation to Le Mans, France, for the beatification of Blessed Basil Moreau.

# VALEDICTORIANS ASK THE EXPERTS

FACILITATED BY GWEN O'BRIEN

*It's not every day you are valedictorian. It's not every day you interview world-renowned oceanographer Sylvia Earle and Newbery award-winning author Lois Lowry. For Audrey Marrah and Carly O'Connor, Commencement 2010 was that day.*

**AUDREY MARRAH '10, BIOLOGY MAJOR, INTERVIEWS SYLVIA EARLE ABOUT CHOOSING A CAREER IN THE SCIENCES.**

**DID YOU ALWAYS WANT TO BE A MARINE BIOLOGIST?**

I moved to Florida when I was 12. My backyard was the Gulf of Mexico. I came to understand that the ocean is where the action is, where the greatest diversity of life is.

**DO YOU KNOW OF ANY UP-AND-COMING CAREERS INVOLVED WITH THE OCEANS/ENVIRONMENT THAT RECENT COLLEGE GRADUATES MAY HAVE NOT CONSIDERED?**

Whatever your particular gift is, use it. We have an immense responsibility to take care of the natural world that takes care of us. Do you have a way with numbers? Use that talent to calculate and model and measure. Do you have an eye for photography and a will to use it? Do you have a way with words? Rachel Carson (founder of the contemporary environmental movement) was not truly a scientist. She was really a writer, a poet, but she learned what she needed to know and she communicated in a way that a broader audience, other than just scientists, could understand and be moved by what she discovered.

**WHAT WOULD YOU SUGGEST FOR RECENT GRADUATES INTERESTED IN THE OCEANS/ENVIRONMENT?**

Learn whatever you can. Go out into the wild—land, deserts, forests, marshes, oceans—get personally as involved as you can. If you can't go to these places, get up to speed like Rachel Carson did. She didn't dive, but she learned about the ocean. Get educated in the ways of the ocean and then use that knowledge to relate things.

**WHEN I AM AT THE GROCERY STORE SHOPPING FOR FISH PRODUCTS, WHAT CAN I LOOK FOR TO ENSURE THAT THE PRODUCT IS SUSTAINABLE?**

Realize that all sea creatures are wild creatures. Would you invest in eating snow leopards and elephants? Would you dine on songbirds and think that's sustainable? What we're taking out of the oceans is not sustainable. We've already lost 90 percent of the tuna, swordfish, shark, halibut, cod. We've lost 99 percent of the oysters and clams from Chesapeake Bay. Forget those claims that seafood is good for you. It's good for the oceans and for you to have fish alive, not dead. Tilapia, catfish, carp—cultivated, low on the food chain, are good choices, especially if they are locally grown as you can find, rather than the other side of the planet.

**DID YOU ALWAYS KNOW YOU WANTED TO BE A WRITER?**

From the time I was eight or so. A letter from me, written at age 10, published in a children's magazine in 1947 says: "I am writing a book."

**WHAT IS ONE THING YOU WISH YOU WOULD HAVE KNOWN ABOUT BEING A WRITER THAT THEY DIDN'T TEACH YOU IN SCHOOL?**

That it is a slow process because the acquisition of experience is a necessary part.

**WHAT WOULD BE YOUR ONE PIECE OF ADVICE FOR AN ASPIRING WRITER?**

To study broadly in many fields—to learn history, sciences, art, music—all of that knowledge serves a writer so well.

**HOW DO YOU PRACTICALLY GO ABOUT WRITING A BOOK? WHAT IS YOUR DAILY WRITING ROUTINE?**

B.I.C.—Butt in Chair. That's the secret—you simply stick to it. I am at my desk every morning unless I am traveling. There aren't any gimmicks, really.

**CARLY O'CONNOR '10, ENGLISH LITERATURE MAJOR, ASKS LOIS LOWRY ABOUT THE WRITING LIFE.**

**DO YOU BASE YOUR CHARACTERS OFF OF PEOPLE YOU KNOW, OR DO YOU COMPLETELY INVENT THEM?**

With the exception of autobiographical novels—*Autumn Secret*, *A Summer to Die*, and *Crow Call*—all of my characters are invented. And yet we imagine and invent, using everything we've observed over the years. So bits and pieces of real people find their way into fictional characters.

**WHICH AUTHOR(S) HAS HAD THE GREATEST INFLUENCE ON YOUR WRITING STYLE AND YOUR LIFE?**

James Agee (a Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist whose works include *Let Us Now Praise Famous Men*, *The African Queen*, and *A Death in the Family*.)

**WHAT ARE YOU CURRENTLY READING?**

I am reading Orhan Pamuk's *The Museum of Innocence*. I am waiting for the third book in the Stieg Larsson trilogy to come out in this country!

# VALEDICTORIAN LESSONS

*At this year's commencement ceremonies, Audrey Marrah and Carly O'Connor shared the podium to bid good-bye to the Class of 2010 at Saint Mary's College.*



*Carly O'Connor (left) and Audrey Marrah*

The co-valedictorians both grew up in Kokomo, Ind., where they are parishioners at St. Joan of Arc Roman Catholic Church, and attended the same grade school and high school together. They have been best friends since the eighth grade. Still more remarkable, both women accomplished the astonishing distinction of earning an "A" in every class they took during their four years at Saint Mary's College.

Yet, Audrey and Carly are a study in contrasts. Audrey, a Biology major, is candid, composed, and conveys a quiet self-confidence. Carly, an English Literature major, is warm—even luminous—and her humor tends toward the self-deprecating. Carly, who admits to being a stickler for preparation, had finalized her plans by March 2010 to study theology at the Pontifical John Paul II Institute at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. Audrey describes herself as someone who doesn't worry too much about the future. She still needed to firm up the details, but is certain that after graduation she will do international service work, most likely in Guyana, a state on the northern coast of South America.

Professors of these co-valedictorians described both women as gifted and hard working, always prepared for class, and skilled at time management. Beyond these basics for academic success, however, professors note that each woman brings unique gifts that transcend class work accomplishments and that can be applied for a life well lived.



## **HAS A PASSION FOR LEARNING**

Laura Haigwood, professor of English Literature, points to Carly's gift for exceptional clarity and precision in her writing. "Even more apparent is Carly's love for learning. It would be difficult to work so hard and so effectively if one did not enjoy spending a great deal of one's time and energy in that way," says Haigwood.



## **MOVES FLUENTLY FROM THE DETAILS TO THE BIG PICTURE AND BACK AGAIN**

"Changing gears is no problem for Audrey," says Richard J. Jensen, professor of Biology. "She easily sees underlying themes or similarities at work and how components interact." Audrey is also good with ambiguity, according to Jensen. "She doesn't seem bothered by uncertainty, because she has the confidence that at some point she will master the problem," says Jensen.



## **IS OPEN TO CHALLENGES AS OPPORTUNITIES**

Theodore Billy, professor and chair of the English department, says Carly demonstrates a high level of dedication to a variety of academic disciplines, not only those in her major. "Carly is someone who gained as much as anyone can from the Saint Mary's experience," says Billy. "No matter what the situation, she's equally appreciative of the value of each course. For her, grades are a by-product rather than the goal. She approached every course as having a unique value, which is a rare quality. Whatever challenges she faces in her future, she'll have the drive to succeed."



## **ACTIVELY DISCERNs**

Thomas Fogle, professor of Biology, sees Audrey's approach to achievement as a process of discernment: her insights obtained from whatever class she was taking informed her next academic choices. "Audrey is not only very good at analysis, she also sees what may not at first be apparent," says Fogle.

For example, Fogle has seen many gifted Biology majors who had long-held career goals. The fact that, as yet, Audrey hasn't settled on any one path reflects one of her key strengths. "I think throughout her college years Audrey explored options, which is ideal for a student studying at a college like Saint Mary's," says Fogle. "It's also symbolic of her deep faith, which she enlists to guide her." He believes that Audrey's plan to do international service work after graduation will be a catalyst to discern her future choices.



# Recognition WEEKEND

Recognition Weekend Celebrates Benefactors  
and Sister Madeleva's Legacy



TOP ROW FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: (1) President Carol Ann Mooney '72 with Emilita "Bunny" Wagner Barker '42, Charter Madeleva Society member, and Bunny's granddaughter, Ashley Clark Bass '98; (2) Student presenter Randa Al-Assadi '12 shares her love of her native country, Iraq; (3) Mary Lucia Wolff Stevenson '42, center, niece of Sister Madeleva Wolff, CSC, with daughters: L-R Elizabeth Stevenson Cable '73, Michelle Stevenson Hegenwald, Mary Stevenson Tate '66, and Margaret Stevenson; (4) Student presenter Tricia Daly '10 describes her personal journey to pursue a career in nursing. She also paid tribute to her loving, inspiring mother, Florence "Lulu" Romano Daly '82.

BOTTOM ROW FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: (5) Student presenters Patty Duffy '10 and Lauren Theiss '10 spoke and sang about their work at a clinic in Uganda. Lauren is the daughter of Mary Stanicek Theiss '76; (6) Charter members blow out candles on the Madeleva anniversary cake: L-R Mary Mortimer Meany '67; Kathleen Huisking Sullivan '68; Sheila Kenny Murray '62; Mary Jane McKeon Gray '53; Betsy Patterson Sentowski '62, and Bunny Wagner Barker '42. Standing in background: Paula Lawton Bevington '58. Charter members present at the dinner, but not pictured: Paula Shaheen Eide '76, Barbara Patrick O'Toole '59, and Susan Shalgos Wolsfeld '64





This year, Saint Mary's College hosted guests during Recognition Weekend with a grand celebration of the Madeleva Society's 30th Anniversary.

Guests attended several events, including the 25th Madeleva Lecture, "Le Pointe Vierge: Mary and the Catholic Imagination," and the Madeleva Roundtable that explored Sister Madeleva's personal and professional contributions in shaping Saint Mary's as the premier Catholic women's college in the nation.

"This weekend was a time for our supporters to return to campus and see for themselves how Sister Madeleva's legacy continues today" said Shari Rodriguez, vice president of College Relations.

Professors opened their classrooms to guests to be "Students for a Day," by attending classroom lectures. Guests also had the opportunity to attend a "Journey of Life" retreat led by Campus Ministry. The weekend was capped by a celebratory dinner with student presenters.



THIS PAGE, CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: (1) Madeleva Voices round table discussion about the life and character of Sister Madeleva Wolff, CSC, president of Saint Mary's College from 1934-1961. L-R: Sister Eva Mary Hooker, CSC, poet and professor of English who was a student during Sister Madeleva's presidency; Gail Mandell, the Bruno Schlesinger Chair in Humanistic Studies and author of *Madeleva: A Biography*; Laura Haigwood, professor of English who teaches Gail Mandell's biography of Sister Madeleva to first-year students

(2) Student presenter Kristle Hodges '10 reads her poetry at the Recognition Dinner

(3) Janyce Dunkin Brengel '78, chair of The Madeleva Society Steering Committee, recognizes members of the committee, Charter members of the Society, and presents 30th anniversary cake

(4) Endowment and Mother Pauline Appreciation Luncheon speakers: Kristen Hesano '10, recipient of the Marie Corby Carey Scholarship in Biology, with Pamela Carey Batz '70, daughter of Marie Corby Carey '41, who established the scholarship in 1995.

## Actress Glenn Close Visits Saint Mary's



Students received acting advice from Glenn Close.

On March 15, stage, screen, and television actor Glenn Close graced O'Laughlin Auditorium and thrilled a full house of enthusiastic students, faculty, and local press with her stories about her childhood and award-winning acting career.

Close, known most recently for her role as Patty Hewes in the FX series, "Damages," gave insights into her own life off stage and the psychological details she brings to her characters on screen. For example, Close interpreted her characterization of Queen Gertrude in the film *Hamlet* as a woman who married just barely out of childhood, a woman who was not very bright, but a woman who used her sensuality to manipulate others. Throughout her career, Close has earned Tony, Golden Globe, and Emmy awards as well as several Oscar nominations.



L to r: Kara Quillard '13, Jacqueline Cattie '10, Joy Viceroy '13, Victoria Flees '12, Close, Erin Brennan '11, Erin Black '11, and Emily Puscas '11.

Before her O'Laughlin evening appearance, Close spent the day on Saint Mary's campus working with students in a master acting class. "It is very rare for a school of our size to be able to give students the opportunity to be in contact with artists of the stature of Glenn Close," says Saint Mary's College theatre professor Mark Abram-Copenhaver. Students presented a scene from Saint Mary's theatre production, *The Imaginary Invalid*, as well as selected monologues. Before the students began, Close confided, "I've never done this before, and I want you to know that." And then she proceeded to coach each student, helping them to take their performance to a new level.

The 2010 Margaret Hill Endowed Visiting Artist sponsored Close's visit. Hill, a 1961 Saint Mary's alumna, is a Broadway producer.

## Saint Mary's College Math Professor Named Fulbright Scholar



Steven Broad

This past spring, Steven Broad, assistant professor of mathematics, was selected as a Fulbright Scholar by the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board. During the summer of 2011, Broad will conduct research in his specialty, classical dynamical systems and differential geometry, and teach a seminar on the subject at the Instituto de Matemática e Estatística of the Universidade de São Paulo (USP-IME).

"This is an extraordinary award and honor for Professor Broad and for the department," said Joanne Snow, chair of the Department of Mathematics. "Having a faculty member of this stature in the math department is evidence of the academic strength of Saint Mary's College."

## Saint Mary's College Holds 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Diverse Students' Leadership Conference



DSLCC Chair Danae Jimenez '12

Dr. Gloria Wilder-Braithwaite, the medical director of the Washington, D.C., Children's Health Project, gave the opening keynote address for the fifth annual Diverse Students' Leadership Conference (DSLCC) at Saint Mary's College. Wilder-Braithwaite is medical director of Mobile Health Programs at Children's

National Medical Center in Washington, D.C., a program that works to eliminate the disparity in quality health care to the poor. The conference was held from March 17 - 19, 2010.

"DSLCC is a fully student-led conference that touches on all aspects of diversity through workshops, an entertainment showcase, and the keynote presentations," explains conference chair Danae Jimenez '12. DSLCC was free of charge and open to all Saint Mary's students. Other guest speakers included Cassie Crossley, Visiting Woodrow Wilson Fellow and producer for the Oscar-nominated documentary series "Eyes on the Prize, America's Civil Rights Years," and Kim Bobo, a workers' rights activist, and executive director of Interfaith Worker Justice. On Friday, Richard Pimentel, a nationally known proponent for the Americans with Disabilities Act, gave the closing address.

—Mary Elizabeth Ulliman '10



## Women's Entrepreneurship Initiative Underway at Saint Mary's College



Facing the camera: l-r, Kathleen Mills '10, Sarah Mailey '10, Lillian Reeves '10, and Rosemary Ansel '10 explore financial analysis strategies with Sonia Stancombener, owner of Nicholas J Salon and Spa in South Bend.

In October 2009, Saint Mary's College received a \$245,000 Small Business Administration grant to support women's entrepreneurship in the South Bend area. With the grant money, Saint Mary's Department of Business Administration and Economics (BUEC) and the Center for Women's Intercultural Leadership (CWIL) co-created the Women's Entrepreneurship Initiative (WEI). Directors Susan Vance, professor of business law and accounting, and Martha Smith, a local entrepreneur and owner of two successful businesses, envision WEI as a resource program for both existing small business owners and women who are interested in starting a business. In another aspect of the program, Saint Mary's senior business majors will apply their classroom learning as consultants to small business owners who are seeking input on how to improve their businesses.

On April 9, WEI presented its first half-day seminar for local women entrepreneurs and interested students. "Personal Financial Strategies" included topics on risk management strategies, investing, and insurance.

## Director of College's Rome Program Knighted



Cavalier Portia A. Prebys

Giorgio Napolitano, president of the Republic of Italy, knighted Portia A. Prebys '66, director of the Saint Mary's Rome Program, with the title of Cavalier of the Order of Merit of the Italian Republic at a May 24 ceremony in Rome. Prebys received the honor for her long career in international education.

## Skin Deep: Bold Beauty Conference Challenges Media's View of Beauty

On April 26, Saint Mary's College hosted its second annual Bold Beauty Conference, an event that is meant to challenge societal standards of female beauty. This year the conference also examined female sexual identity in American culture. The event was organized by students and co-sponsored by the departments of Communication Studies, Dance & Theatre, Women's Studies, History and Film Studies.



Laura Gill '10 and Professor Terri Russ share insights into "Bold Beauty"

One of the displays, "Barbies on Parade" questioned societal beauty myths. Students modified a Barbie™ doll to more accurately reflect the range of female beauty and femininity seen in the real world. Laura Mullen '10 crafted a spinster Barbie.™ "Barbie is seen as a young, flirty female with the world at her fingertips. This is true for many females in their 20s, but time in the real world does not stand still," Laura cautioned. "Spinster Barbie represents what happens when she is no longer in her 20s or 30s. She has grown older, out of style, and never found 'the one'—something that happens all the time in the real world, but not an idea that Mattel would cash in on."

"The goal of the conference is to take our classroom discussion to a wider forum—an example of grassroots organization at its best," says Communications Professor Terri Russ. Conference speakers included Amanda Littauer, assistant professor of Women's Studies and History at Northern Illinois University, and lawyer Cait Mullen. Mullin helped draft New York's Safe Harbor Act which became law in 2008. The law recognizes that prostituted children are victims, not criminals.

"The biggest thing I am taking away from helping to organize the conference is why I choose to do things," says Erin Brennan '11. "Why do I wear what I am wearing? Why do I put on makeup? Is it for myself? Or is it because it is what society expects from me?"



**Steven Broad**, assistant professor of mathematics; Fulbright Scholar Grant awarded for research in dynamical systems related to classical problems in differential geometry, Instituto de Matemática e Estatística of the Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil, summer 2010-11.

**Erin Crawford Cressy**, adjunct professor of anthropology and former research consultant for CWIL; co-authored article, "The Catalyst Trip: Assessing an anti-racism intervention program," *Social Justice in Context*, Volume 4, Issue 1, 2009.

**Phyllis H. Kaminski**, professor of religious studies; paper, "Living Difference(s): Dialogue as Spiritual Practice," CWIL Luncheon Presentation, Saint Mary's College, November 5, 2009.

Paper, "Creating a Path for Justice: Luce Irigaray and Transformative Dialogue," Philosophers for Peace Session, Midwest American Philosophy Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, February 19, 2010.

Review, "Maurice Blondel, Social Catholicism, and Action Française: the Clash over the Church's Role in Society during the Modernist Era" by Peter J. Bernardi. Washington: Catholic University of America, 2009, *Theological Studies* 71 (2010), 219-221.

**Michael Kramer**, associate professor of communication studies, dance, and theatre; paper, "Strict Father or Nurturant Parent? President Jimmy Carter's Rhetoric of Morality in Support of the Panama Canal Treaties," National Communication Association 95th Annual Convention, Chicago, November 11, 2009.

**Cassie Majetic**, assistant professor of biology; 2009 Haldane prize winner; co-authored paper, "The sweet smell of success: floral scent affects pollinator attraction and seed fitness in *Hesperis matronalis*," *Functional Ecology*.

**Jerome L. McElroy**, professor of economics; co-authored paper, "The Supply Determinants of Small Island Tourist Economies," with Courtney Parry '09, First International Tourism Conference at the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill, Barbados, December 8-11, 2009.

Co-authored article, "SITEs Revisited: Socioeconomic and Demographic Contours of Small Island Tourist Economies," with Perri Hamma '10, *Asia Pacific Viewpoint* 51(1): 1-11, April 2010.

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**Catherine Pittman**, associate professor of psychology and communicative disorders; paper "What Clients Need to Know About Anxiety in the Brain: Enhancing Motivation and Treatment Compliance," National Conference of the Anxiety Disorders Association of America, Baltimore, Maryland, March 7, 2010

**Sue Wiegand**, periodicals librarian, Cushwa-Leighton Library; book review, *Communication skills for the Biosciences: a Graduate Guide* by Aysha Divan (Oxford University Press, 2009), *Choice: Current Reviews for Academic Libraries*, Oct. 2009; vol. 47: no. 2.

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**Alice Siqin Yang**, assistant director of global education and lecturer of Chinese language, Center for Women's Intercultural Leadership; paper, "The Development and Networking of Gender/Women's Studies Centers in China," NGO Forum during the 54th Session of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women on "Beijing + 15" Conference, The United Nations, New York City, March 5th, 2010.

## Alumnae Deaths

Mary Foster Frawley Martin '49, December 19, 2009.

Patricia Crahan Dougherty '50, aunt of Kathleen Sauber Steinbock ex '91, December 19, 2009.

Celeste "Lettie" Miller '52, March 30, 2010.

Carolyn Quick Reinbolt '61, September 19, 2008.

Jeanine Paris Ryan '61, November 23, 2009.

Ellen Lefcourt ex '63, March 25, 2010.

Martha Larsen Stenta '63, March 21, 2010.

Sister M. Bernadette Meyer, CDP '65, December 22, 2007.

Mary Carol Cremer Kristl '66, March 25, 2010.

Mary Feeley Nugent '86, sister of Sheila Feeley Dodds '89, Anne Feeley Dooley '91, Colleen Feeley Paholak '93, and Meaghan Feeley Hourihane '95, February 10, 2010.

## Family Deaths

Michael T. Ahern ND '83, husband of Annette H. Isom '83, March 15, 2010.

Mary Ellen Cannon, mother of Katharine "K. T." Cannon-Eger '69, March 8, 2010.

Michael L. Corn, husband of Leslie Palmisano Corn '73, March 11, 2010.

Alice "Casey" Dunlay, mother of Jane Dunlay Easley '78, March 21, 2010.

Glenda Pruitt Eaton, mother of Jane Eaton Boeschstein '89, December 25, 2009.

John T. DePhilip, brother of Lynn DePhilip Cullen '67 and Rosemary DePhilip Wolbert '74, February 19, 2010.

Amelia Nancy Field, infant granddaughter, aged 3 months, of Nancy Thomas Dickinson '79, December 21, 2009.

Michael Anthony Flynn, husband of Barbara Brems Flynn '76, father of Kathryn Flynn '05, brother of Kathleen Flynn Fox '74 and Mary Flynn Boener '87, and brother-in-law of Kathleen Brems Durbin '73 and Laura Brems Flynn '79, March 9, 2010.

Robert J. Gray ND '41, husband of Thelma Schweppe Gray '43, December 5, 2009.

Barry L. Hahaj, father of Melissa Hahaj Grover '95, March 25, 2010.

Thomas Brandom Leary, son of Anne Pryser Leary '72, March 7, 2010.

Monico Low, father of Teresa Low ex '83, March 1, 2010.

Michael D. McCormack, son of Helene Preece McCormack '50, August 3, 2009.

Frank L. McGinn ND '52, father of Theresa E. McGinn '86, brother-in-law of Marlene Gaubinger McGinn '54 and uncle of Frances L. McGinn '80 and Shannon McGinn Alfele '93, February 16, 2010.

Michael "Mitch" Medich Jr., father of Melissa Medich '06, February 25, 2010.

Charles J. "Chuck" Milligan, father of Laura Milligan Renfus '87, March 6, 2010.

Louise J. Motl, mother of Mary Lou Motl '68, February 19, 2010.

James B. Neville, M. D., Captain, USNR (Ret.), father of Kathleen M. Neville ex '80, March 12, 2010.

John H. Nickodemus, husband of Rose Marie Mudd Nickodemus '59, March 22, 2010.

George O'Sullivan, father of Maureen O'Sullivan Grojean '86, March 3, 2010.

Louis M. Reuter Jr., husband of Judith Schwartz Reuter '53, August 17, 2009.

Robert Eugene Ryan, husband of Margaret Harrington Ryan '53, February 12, 2010.

Sophonra B. "Sis" Schmuhl, mother of Margo Schmuhl Bowman '68, and mother-in-law of Lorette Borda Schmuhl '66, March 27, 2010.

Daniel Patrick Smith, son of Mary Moran Smith '59, March, 2010.

James Trudeau, father of Colette Trudeau '06 and Brooke Trudeau '08, February 21, 2010.

Christopher B. Wishin, uncle of Amanda Wishin '04, March 14, 2010.

Josephine Van Paemel, grandmother of Lisa Van Paemel Del Prete '85, Vanessa Van Paemel Oletti '88 and Dana Van Paemel Mead ex '93, February 9, 2010.

## Marriages

Mary Claire Hathaway Elmer '02 and Steve, June 20, 2009.

Brittany Kovach Moran '02 and Jim ND '03, June 27, 2009.

Ellen Higgins Reilander '02 and Luke, July 11, 2009.

Mia Novak Burns '05 and Patrick ND '05, March 6, 2010.

Anne Palmitier Acker '06 and Larry ND '03, June 19, 2009.

Jennifer Chester Ferguson '06 and Brett, July 3, 2009.

Abbey Carr Foster '06 and Kevin, November 14, 2009.

Cheryl Barker Harwood '06 and Keith ND '05, August 30, 2008.

Mollie Lavelle Kisselburg '06 and Casey ND '06, October 24, 2009.

Larissa Fugate Parsek '06 and Anthony, February 13, 2010.

Kimberley Tayner Sauer '06 and Evan, September 9, 2009.

Kristen Vokaty Thomas '06 and Oliver ND '05, June 27, 2009.

Brynn Iversen Vollmer '06 and Damian, SSG, U. S. Army, July 4, 2009.

Jacquelyn Werling Minarcin '06 and John ND '06, November 28, 2009.

Emily Goebel Santana '08 and Anthony, May 23, 2009.

Shawn Redington Westfall '08 and Joe ND '08, November, 2009.

Megan Bolander Woller '08 and Alexander ND '09, July 25, 2009.

## Births and Adoptions

Elizabeth Janz Wardinski '93 and Andrew: Matthew Patrick, February 18, 2010.

Clara Lagowski Uetz '95 and Brian, ND '96: Owen Murphy, January 4, 2010.

Kelly Falcsik Feinberg '96 and Daniel: Juliet Eliana, January 29, 2010.

Jennifer Artley Godfrey '96 and Jake: Kaelyn Grace, July 13, 2009.

Anju Ramsamooj Marlar '96 and Gary: Violet Vidya, August 31, 2009.

Kelly Powers Chandler '98 and Britt: Thomas Frank, May, 2009.

Sara Pluta Gibson '98 and Josh: Amelia Simone, October 31, 2009.

Megan Finegan Daley '99 and Martin: Flynn Martin, February 8, 2010.

Marianne Palmer Carrozza '00 and John: Annamaria Mary, January 21, 2009.

Laura Druley Davis '00 and Matthew: Kayla Marie, June 15, 2009.

Anne Pangilinan DeTagyos '00 and David: Lily Marie, September 15, 2009.

Pamela Sawyer German '00 and Michael: Claire Elizabeth, February 28, 2010.

Colleen Kross Kollasch '00 and Douglas: Elena Marie, June 26, 2009.

Rebecca Doublestein Ladyman '00 and Craig: Reese McKenzie, June 22, 2009.

Michelle Deluca Martin '00 and David ND '99: Abigail Anne, October 30, 2009.

Robin Moerman Van Wingen '00 and Bryan: Emma Paige, August 14, 2009.

Kelley Olivotto Williams '00 and Dan: Molly Katherine, August 30, 2007.

Shanae Tate Randolph '01 and Russell: Gabriel Nicholas, August 4, 2009.

Margaret LeBeau Fair '02 and Joshua: Hudson James, August 22, 2009.

Carri Cuellar Gibson '02 and Jeremy: Peyton Lillian, August 24, 2008.

Ann Marie Dennary Keeler '02 and Brian: Alexandra Dea, December 19, 2009.

Marie Sordelet Lytle '02 and Brian: Colin James, May 30, 2009.

Robin Hunter Mikolajczak '02 and Kevin: Emily Frances, June, 2009.

Gina Caponi Parnaby '02 and Gary: William Robert Redelle Parnaby, June 29, 2009.

Katharine Miller Quinn '02 and Sean: Patrick Joseph, September 11, 2009.

Sunny O'Brien Shaw '02 and Nick: Emily Anne, December 24, 2009.

Nicole Pratte Walter '02 and Todd: Mia Kathryn: May 14, 2009.

Kimberly Pitsch Williams '02 and Brandon: Leah Jane, February 17, 2009.

Holly Eckert Belzowski '05 and Keith: Jude Rex, July 7, 2009.

Kathleen Cari Cook '05 and Jeremy: William Peter, March 11, 2010.

Jenna Kartje Gensic '05 and John: Mikan Josiah, March 5, 2008.

Jeanette Palmer Reifenberg '05 and Thomas: Daniel Vincent, October 18, 2009.

Maureen MacDonald Rousseve '05 and Dan: McKenna Claire, February 2, 2010.

Camille Kelly Esmacher '06 and Tom: Luke Vincent, March 12, 2009.

Nicole Thaner Nichol '06 and Chris: John Christopher, May 7, 2009.

Nicole Tucker Teshka '06 and Trent: Treyton Nicholas, May 9, 2009.

Rachael Berg Walters '06 and Josiah: Aiden Scholl Walters, April 10, 2009.

## Don't see your class news?

Contact Jessica Stuifbergen '99 in the Alumnae Relations office to find out how to become a class reporter.

[jstuifbe@saintmarys.edu](mailto:jstuifbe@saintmarys.edu) or (574) 284-5332

## Austin

The Austin Club has been quiet for the last few months. In late June, we will be holding an event at the Highball, a bowling alley located in Austin, to mingle and catch up. If you would like to attend, please contact me at the email address below and I will send all of the details to you. I would love if alumnae in the area who are interested in participating in the club would come out and meet everyone! Meg Hood '04, 708-710-0603 [margaret.hood@gmail.com](mailto:margaret.hood@gmail.com)

## Boston

Greetings from Boston! We recently held our annual Spring Luncheon at the end of April in Cambridge, with over 25 Saint Mary's graduates attending! Old friends caught up on new happenings, and new friends were made! In summer news, we are excited to be welcoming our new Saint Mary's alumnae home this summer, and throwing a great kick off for our future alumnae in August! In club news, please keep an eye out for our newsletter, which should be arriving in your mailboxes in September. As always, if you're interested in participating in our events or would like to help plan, please contact Jeni Hackbush '03 at [smcboston@gmail.com](mailto:smcboston@gmail.com). We hope you all enjoy a great summer!

## Chicago East

The Club is interested in learning how it can better serve you! You are invited to participate in a brief survey asking about your current involvement and experiences with the club as well as activities/services you would like to see the club consider. You can access the survey via this link: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/GZWN522>.

The Club is collecting dues for 2010. Dues are \$30, with \$5 going to the Chicago Endowed Scholarship. Please send your dues check to SMC Chicago East c/o Genevieve Morrill, 1631 N. Mozart, Chicago, IL, 60647.

To maximize donations to the scholarship and in an effort to "go green," Club events are publicized on the list-serve, the club's Facebook page, and the Club's website. Founders' Day and Tea invitations will only be mailed to those alumnae for whom the Club does not have email addresses

## Chicago West

The club's annual newsletter went out and we're excited as we receive responses from area alumnae. Please pay your dues and return your contact information so we can stay in touch with you! A link to the newsletter & where to send your dues can be found on our website.

Book club continues to meet monthly on the last Thursday of the month at 7:30pm – check the website for current dates, locations and books.

We're very proud our club raised over \$200 to purchase and donate a gift basket for the annual fundraiser of the People's Resource Center in Wheaton, IL. The gift basket contained an i-Touch, accessories & Best Buy gift cards. Thanks to all who participated and to Kristin Simono Newell '91 for coordinating and purchasing the items. Our primary method of communication is via email. We'd love to see you join our group! To contact the club find us on our Chicago West webpage or by emailing Alison Spohn Kavulich '93 at [irishannie93@yahoo.com](mailto:irishannie93@yahoo.com).

## Cincinnati

The Cincinnati Alumnae club kicked off the year on January 9th with a "Celebration of the Epiphany" party. More than 40 wise women of Saint Mary's and their

guests enjoyed a casual get together at the home of Kacey Horner Schmitt '85. Jessica Stuißberger '99, assistant director of alumnae relations, braved a snowstorm and drove down from Saint Mary's to help the alumnae celebrate and give us an update on the college. Everyone enjoyed reconnecting with old friends and revitalizing the alumnae club in Cincinnati.

On March 31st, the Cincinnati and Dayton alumnae clubs celebrated their 75th -year anniversary with a visit from President Carol Ann Mooney '72. Over 60 alumnae and guests gathered at Maketewah Country Club on a gorgeous spring evening. The night started with cocktails on the veranda followed by a delicious dinner with complimentary wine. After dinner, President Mooney spoke about exciting news from Saint Mary's such as the recent lecture and workshops from actress, Glenn Close. Afterwards, President Mooney answered question from the alumnae. All the alumnae were energized by the event and hope to get together more often. Special thanks to Mary Lou Motl '68, Peggy Frericks Thompson '77, Ellen Gerrity McGoron '75, Joan Remini Costello '75, Kacey Horner Schmitt '85, Kelly Viater Maxam '04 and Claudia Toth '07 who helped organize this special evening.

The young alums are organizing monthly happy hours. For more information, please email Kelly Viater Maxam '04, [kelly.maxam@gmail.com](mailto:kelly.maxam@gmail.com)

Our next big event will be the summer send-off for the new students at the home of Julia Gibboney Goslee '86 at the beginning of August. We will also welcome any recent graduates and new residents of Cincinnati to our alumnae club at this event.

Look for your invitation in the mail and hope to see everyone there!

For more information about the Cincinnati Alumnae Club please contact Kacey Horner Schmitt '85 at (513)321-4046 or [KCSsigns@aol.com](mailto:KCSsigns@aol.com).

## Cleveland

Cleveland/Akron alumnae enjoyed a lovely evening at the home of Connie Byrne Bruce '73 on April 14. The annual meeting was held along with a discussion of the book, *Three Cups of Tea*. Upcoming events include a summer event with a luncheon at Clementine's Victorian Restaurant and shopping at Grand Pacific Junction on June 19. Founder's Day will take place in October followed by the preparation of Exam Care Packages in November and the holding of the Annual Christmas Cookie Exchange in December.

For the 2010-2011 year, the Club officers are President Cheri Petride Miller '79, Vice President Kathy Friday Sobanski '78, Secretary Debbie Stancik Krawczyk '78, and Treasurer Linda Holtcamp McVoy '74.

If you have not connected with us or need to update your contact information, please contact Cheri Petride Miller '79 at [clmiller8457@earthlink.net](mailto:clmiller8457@earthlink.net) or 440-526-8966.

## Colorado

On April 10<sup>th</sup>, the Colorado Club held a "care package party" and luncheon at the home of Phyllis Sullivan Van Hersett, '62, in Littleton. Each attendee

brought 12 of an item to be packed in bags and sent to our 12 Colorado students currently at Saint Mary's. We packed lots of fun and tasty items to help the students get through their finals week. The bags themselves were very cute – reusable bags donated by one of our alums, Katy Massey Lee '00.

An informal get together is being planned for sometime this summer, in Monument.

August 1 we will have our student "send off party" at the home of Sheila Flynn Boone '65, in Parker.

Details for both events will be emailed. If you don't have an email, please contact Sheila Flynn Boone '65, 720-851-0985 or Cindy Wargocki, 303-690-6395 for more information.

## Columbus

We held a general meeting in the late winter to organize events for the upcoming year. Several members participated in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in downtown Columbus in May. This summer the Club will be busy with several fun and exciting events such as a Happy Hour, a Bunco Night, and a Student Send Off Luncheon for all of the future Belles from Columbus. We are always welcoming new members, so for more information about the Club, become a fan of our new Facebook Page or contact Katie M. Vincer Sears '03 at [kvincer@gmail.com](mailto:kvincer@gmail.com).

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## Des Moines

For more information about joining the club please contact Aimee Beckmann-Collier '75 at 515.222.1516 (H); 515.271.2841 or via email at [aimee.beckmann-collier@drake.edu](mailto:aimee.beckmann-collier@drake.edu)

## Detroit

This year we started off strong with a Volunteer event! In February the Detroit Belles headed north to Flint. We met at Saint Luke's New Life Center where we helped prep lunch, set out bread and other items for the community members to take home, and served lunch to those who came in from the cold for a warm meal. After lunch, Amy Nicholson Pruchnicki '05 headed back to the classrooms where she read stories to the local children. It was a rewarding experience and a great way to spend a Saturday morning. In attendance were Amy Nicholson Pruchnicki '05 (organizer), Rori Sleva Wiesen '77 and Lisa Walton Roelle '05 along with several family members and friends.



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On March 13, 2010 the Detroit Belles joined together to celebrate our Irish Heritage! We met at Dick O'Dows in Birmingham and indulged in good spirits and great conversation. We tasted the Irish fare of corned beef and fish n' chips! It was great to see Mark and Bridget O'Brien Bealin '79, Jim and Maureen Morris Bowman '78, Ulf and Shelagh Crook Merenius '78, Mark and Mary Dahm Howlett '78, John and Joan Mette Reddy '53, Katie Schropp '98, Diane Cancro '87, Stefan and Meghan Flick Schmelzer '05 and Ethan

If you are new to the West Michigan area or have any suggestions or ideas, please contact Rebecca Jawahir Sypniewski, '96 [rjawahir@msn.com](mailto:rjawahir@msn.com) for more information. We are always looking for new alums to join in our fun!!

## Houston

The Houston Alumnae Club was busy this spring participating in local fun events like the Griff's Irish Pub St. Patrick's Day celebration. The ND Club joined the Saint Mary's group at this festive venue. Several Saint Mary's alumnae are playing softball in a league on the ND Alumni Club's Team aptly named "Home Run Jesus" at area fields.

An Admissions yield event was hosted by Priscilla Karle Pilon '86 where Saint Mary's Admissions Counselor Laura Kleinschmidt '09 attended along with Jennifer Kincaid '02, and Bronwyn Azzarello '97. These Alumnae met with three admitted students for the Class of 2014 and treated the young women and their parents to the Alumnae perspective where our love of the school was imparted to

## Los Angeles

Please mark your calendars now for these upcoming events: July 31, 2010 – New Student Send-Off: Pat Greeley Lechman '63 and Laura Lechman Rodriguez '97 will hostess a dessert reception to honor new Saint Mary's students. Alumnae, current students, new students and student parents are invited. If you would like to help or attend this event, please call Pat Greeley Lechman '63 at: 310/539-8907.

October 17, 2010 – Founders' Day: Lucy Hanahan DaGiau '83 will hostess an afternoon reception at her home in Manhattan Beach. Anne Borgman '88, Colleen O'Brien Carey '74, and Maureen Cassidy '71 will co-chair the event. If you would like to help with the event, please contact any of the co-chairs: Anne: [aborgman@mac.com](mailto:aborgman@mac.com), Colleen: [marycolleencarey@yahoo.com](mailto:marycolleencarey@yahoo.com) or Maureen: [mcassidy@lmu.edu](mailto:mcassidy@lmu.edu).

Find the Saint Mary's College Los Angeles Club group on Facebook. Join our group and stay connected!

Also, visit our website at: <http://www.saintmarys.edu/~alumnae/clubpages/CALIFORNIA/losangeles.html>

Contact Mary Kay Scheid '88 for more information. (909) 592-7737 [marykay\\_scheid@yahoo.com](mailto:marykay_scheid@yahoo.com)

## Louisville

The Louisville Club is reinvigorated! On March 30<sup>th</sup> Tricia Burke '81 hosted members of the Louisville and Lexington clubs when President Carol Ann Mooney '72 visited. Alumnae and spouses enjoyed cocktails and hors d'oeuvres while reconnecting and making new friends. After an update from the president about changes on campus and a question and answer period, alumnae were encouraged to mingle the showroom of Office Environment Company, where Tricia graciously hosted the clubs. There was a lot of energy in the room and much excitement about gathering for regular events. If you would like to know more about joining the Louisville club or upcoming events you can email Rachel Lamb Schrepferman '92 at [rachelshp@bellsouth.net](mailto:rachelshp@bellsouth.net)

## Milwaukee

The Milwaukee Club is looking for alumnae in the area who are interested in serving as Club leadership. Anyone interested, please contact Missy Lind '98 and Kristi Brandon '03 at [smcmkeclub@gmail.com](mailto:smcmkeclub@gmail.com)

## New Jersey

We continue to partner with the Saint Mary's NYC Club and the New Jersey ND Clubs to bring you a variety of events from game watches to networking opportunities and golf outings. If you are not

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Detroit Belles enjoyed a festive and fun Saint Patrick's Day! Pictured left to right: Joan Mette Reddy '56, Lisa Walton Roelle '05, Meghan Flick Schmelzer '05, Maureen Morris Bowman '78, and Mary Dahm Howlett '78.

and Lisa Walton Roelle '05. In March we also had our annual Accepted Students Reception at the home of Sarah Belanger Earley '71. We had 10 potential Belles attend with over half already committed to Saint Mary's! Also in attendance was Kymberly Dunlap '04 who shared with us her Saint Mary's experiences and read an excerpt from her book, *Saint Mary's College: Her Memories Beyond the Avenue*.

In April we got our care packages ready for our wonderful women currently at Saint Mary's! Kristen Palombo '06 generously opened her home to Harriett Hillebrand Cronin '68, Megan McBride '07, Jill Funnell '06 and Lisa Walton Roelle '05. Working together we were able to prepare 60 care packages! Our Detroit Belles have some great finals week goodies coming their way!

Next Up: In June and July we hope to attend a Tigers Game and possibly board the Tall Ship Unicorn for a small gathering. Throughout the summer and fall we will be selling Detroit Alumnae Club Wine! We have both a white and a red for your enjoyment! We will be selling them at most of our upcoming events! Support Saint Mary's and the Detroit Alumnae Club!

We love new faces so if you are new or old to the area and are interested in participating in club events and/or receiving our quarterly E-newsletter please contact Lisa Walton Roelle '05 at [lisamroelle@gmail.com](mailto:lisamroelle@gmail.com), Amy Gentile Karpinen '92 at [gentkarp@yahoo.com](mailto:gentkarp@yahoo.com), Meghan Flick Schmelzer '05 at [meghanflick@gmail.com](mailto:meghanflick@gmail.com) or Amy Nicholson Pruchnicki '05 at [amynich@gmail.com](mailto:amynich@gmail.com).

## Grand Rapids

The Saint Mary's Grand Rapids Club continues to meet every other month for our book club. Our next book club meeting is in July at the home of Maria Vogel, '96. Our next selection is *The Thirteenth Tale* by Diane Setterfield (for July). In case you have time to read ahead, our selection for September is *Love in the Time of Cholera* by Gabriel Garcia Marquez. Please contact Tara Millar [tmillar@comcast.net](mailto:tmillar@comcast.net) for further details. Sendoff will be held in mid-late August. Look for details on our website.

these new students.

Lastly, area alumnae baked and packaged homemade treats to send to the current Houston area students who were getting ready to take their finals.

All graduating seniors from Houston are encouraged to join our local Alumnae network and get in touch with our area president to introduce yourself where local alumnae are waiting to welcome you home! Please plan to attend your first event as an alum towards the end of the summer when we gather together to send off our local area high school graduates to begin their journey at Saint Mary's! Details will be on the Houston Alumnae website <http://www.saintmarys.edu/%7Ealumnae/clubpages/TEXAS/houston.html> as they become available.

## Indianapolis

Greetings from the Indianapolis Alumnae Club! Alums from Indianapolis joined forces with the Admissions Office in March and welcomed admitted students and their families. The club is planning an outing for alums and their families to Symphony on the Prairie on June 19. Why not pack a picnic and come catch up with some of your Saint Mary's sisters? Plans are also in the works for the club's annual First Year Send-Off event in August, where we will get together with our incoming students and their parents one last time before they leave for campus. If you would like to attend either of these events, or would like more information about club events in general, please contact Jennifer Winnett Denniston '98 at (317) 774-9215 or [jwdjd2007@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jwdjd2007@sbcglobal.net).

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Tricia Burke '81, President Carol Ann Mooney '72, Jane Hannan Englert '44 and Mary Terstegge Means '48 enjoy themselves during the President's visit to the Louisville club.



receiving our email announcements, please forward your current and preferred email address to Dawn Parker Santamaria '81: [dawn@sistersundersail.org](mailto:dawn@sistersundersail.org).

The Alumnae Association Board of Directors will be hosting a Welcome Home Tailgater on Saint Mary's campus before the Notre Dame Michigan football game. Join us at Dalloway's Clubhouse on September 11<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 12-noon for Bloody Mary's, cold beer and chili on the menu! If you're planning on attending this game, please join us! Please keep in mind, if you park on Saint Mary's campus for any of the home football games, the \$20 parking fee benefits our own Varsity athletic teams. Also, ND vs Navy takes place here in New Jersey at Giants Stadium on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please watch your email inbox for ticket opportunities to this game. Go Irish and Go Belles!

## San Diego

The San Diego Saint Mary's Belles would like to wish everyone a happy and relaxing summer! After successfully completing our 1<sup>st</sup> year as a recognized Saint Mary's College alumnae club, we are pleased to announce we have far exceeded our expectations and will continue to do so in the years to come. We have a strong and motivated organization of women representing classes from 1950 to 2008 who are constantly reaching out to each other and to members within our San Diego and Saint Mary's community... there is much to be said about the depth of our SMC bond and its lasting strength. Our enthusiastic Club comes together monthly whether it be for our book club, community outreach, scholarship fundraisers, or communication about future events. We would like to think you won't find a more driven or dedicated group of ladies in our "Golden State"!

In March, Caroline Moore Glasner '78 hosted a pleasant and enjoyable Wine Tasting/Fundraising event at her beautiful home, a great success! Lisa Claussen Kommers '93, was the driving force with our fundraiser and was in constant communication with the College and with our club to make sure we met our goals. With the help of these 2 ladies and the dedication of all those who contributed to the fund, our Club has set a high bar for us to reach in the fundraising years to come!

We continue to work with our Notre Dame friends one Sunday a month to serve dinner to those who are less fortunate than us at Saint Vincent De Paul Village. On Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup> we will hold our Annual San Diego Club meeting, please contact Sandy Parry for

## CLUBCLIPS



Salt Lake City Utah alumnae gathered for lunch to get to know each other. It is about the third or fourth time they have gotten together in about five years. Everyone was very enthused and agreed to continue to tradition. Top Row - L to R: Kathy O'Connell Hunter '79, Sr. Miriam Joanne CSC '51, Kathy Lamb Mears '72 Middle Row L to R: Sr. Suzanne Brennan, CSC '70, Sr. Cathy Kamphaus, CSC '67, Lisa Kline Taylor '90, Emmie Gardner '82 Bottom row: L to R: Christina (Tina) Wilschke Stoval '95, Sr. Mary Ann Pajakowski CSC '69, Virginia Vallee Delaney '51, Cindy Friedheim Fey '88, Mary Ann Wright '72.

more details. On June 22<sup>nd</sup> the Saint Mary's and ND Clubs of San Diego are throwing a beach party for all Saint Mary's and Notre Dame students. Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup> Saint Mary's and ND are hosting the "Sendoff Picnic" for all those returning to the Notre Dame Community and those who are about to embark on the journey we were all so fortunate to have.

For more information regarding future activities or suggestions, please contact Sandy Parry '07 at [sandyparry@yahoo.com](mailto:sandyparry@yahoo.com) or (619) 871-8016.

## San Francisco

The San Francisco Bay Area Alumnae Club is looking for new leadership. After almost three years of running the Club, current President Michelle Eggers Lagos '05 is stepping down. If you're interested in getting involved, please email [sanfransmc@gmail.com](mailto:sanfransmc@gmail.com)

## Toledo

On Wednesday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010 the Saint Mary's Club of Toledo met for their annual spring dinner at a local restaurant.

We joined with the ND Club of Toledo for a ND Hesburgh Lecture Series, *Transplantation: A Gift of Life* with Fr. Edward (Monk) Malloy, Riley Pummill (Saint Mary's Sophomore), and Dr. Michael Rees at the Dana Center, University of Toledo-Medical College on Monday, April 12, 2010. Fr. Malloy spoke about his perspective on the need for kidney donors and research from his view point as a kidney donor. Riley spoke as a two time kidney recipient and Dr. Rees spoke as a physician who performs kidney transplant surgeries and research. We would like to thank Riley, who is from Perrysburg, OH, for sharing her story. She did a wonderful job!

We also joined the ND Club of Toledo for the annual Communion Breakfast on Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at St. Francis de Sales HS.

The Saint Mary's Club of Toledo joined with the ND Club of Toledo at the ND Celebrity Golf Classic on Monday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at Inverness Golf Club where swimming and tennis were available in addition to the golf tournament.

## Twin Cities

On April 17 the Twin Cities Alumnae Club participated in a Spring Service Project for the local Dress For Success affiliate. Dress For Success is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the economic independence of disadvantaged women by providing professional attire, a network of support and the career development tools to help women thrive in work and in life. Present at the event were: Kelly Brantman Roles '92, Beth McGie Robertson '92, Caroline Dey '92, Lori Hess Liesenfelt '82, Beth Petrovic Mool '94, Valerie Johnston '05, and Alison Ashley Johnson '02. The group spent the day sorting clothing donations for the organization's boutique. Thank you to everyone who participated in this wonderful event! For club information please contact [aashleyjohnson@hotmail.com](mailto:aashleyjohnson@hotmail.com).



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I received word from Saint Mary's that our classmate, **Ruth Knapp Slowey**, died in South Bend on January 30, 2010. Since she was born in 1924, I am wondering if she was a day hop, or in the nursing program. **Mary Ellen Deibler Gleason's** husband, Bill, died on Jan 3, 2010. He was well known in sports circles, having originated and hosted the first radio and television shows solely denoted to sports commentary.

I had a nice visit with **Mary Ann Fellingner Ryan, Sis MurnaneWalsh, Claire Daley Archibald**, and Joe, at the luncheon following the funeral Mass. Sis suffered a stroke very recently and is in the hospital in Naples, Fla. Fortunately, her sister, Dorothy, is close by. **Gerry Clair Gilboy** and **Joanne Clair Lyons** have been to visit. Please add Sis to your prayer list as she is still trying to recover from Bob's sudden death.

**Kathy Adler Furman's** husband, Al, died on April 14, 2010, from melanoma. They had celebrated their last wedding anniversary, Kathy said. She had a heart valve replacement shortly after the funeral, but said she is in good shape, exercising and walking every day, as she has for years.

Her sister-in-law, **Pat Furman Chaput**, and Joe are fine and spending six months of the year in Florida. Their eldest daughter is a Sister of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Is she the only nun to come from one of our classmates?

Our Chicago Christmas luncheon was moved from December to fall due to snowstorms on the luncheon dates. In attendance were: **Mary Ann Fellingner Ryan, Bernie Socha Fitzsimmons, Marian Cannon Clark, Gerry Gilbay, Mary Ann McDonnell McTigue, Jean Murphy Westland** (the latter two in on the South Shore line from South Bend), **Sue Wagner Broeren, Sue Caron Riley, Claire Daley Archibald, Sister Mary Eileen Scully, Jo Ann Wilkinson Carberry**, in from Crown Point and Michigan.

**Mary Herr McGlynn** is doing well now, recuperating from back surgeries last summer and again in November, followed by a heart attack. One daughter arranged to stay with them for several months as Bob had broken his elbow from a fall. Margie talked to **Marianne Aschoff Weaver** at Christmastime and also to her sister-in-law, **Louise McGlynn Bender**.

**Marylou Manion Gatens** also has been in contact with Louise. Mary Lou has been in her Hillsboro, Fla., condo since November. She said she is "too busy"—too much bridge on the top of her golf schedule and not enough time to sit on the beach with her newspaper.

I spoke with **Emilie O. Denmark** the other day. She and Jack spent two weeks in Washington, D.C., and Annapolis at Christmas, visiting a son, a daughter, and their families. They were snowed in the entire time and couldn't go anywhere. Emily said that **Sally Tiedebohl Billingsley's** Christmas card mentioned June 19 as the red letter day that they moved into their new home after three-and-a-half years' of owning two homes in the same community. She and Bob are at 3 Juracas Circle, Englewood, FL 34223-1817, Telephone: (944) 473-2402, email: sanbb@comcast.net.

**Florence Mundi DiPiazza** and her daughter, Kathy, who lives with her, have moved into a new condo in Homewood, Ala., a suburb of Birmingham, Ala. She loves being in the middle of a small lawn and close to everything. Her new address is: 100 Hallman Hill East, Apt. 210, Birmingham, AL 35209, Telephone: (205) 871-1167.

I no longer have the inclination to spend several days on the phone long distance trying to track you down for news. So, unless you only want Chicago news, you are going to have to contact me. My columns are due at Saint Mary's College September 1 and March 1. The *Courier* columns in the future will only be as newsy and long as you make them. If you leave me a message on my phone or mail me, I promise to get back to you.

God Bless you, from Nancy.

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Since our last column appeared, our family has been blessed with two more beautiful grandchildren, the children of our youngest daughter, Kathleen Reder.

I am grateful to the Alumnae Office for forwarding the obituary of **Marilyn Miller Doyle** to me. She was a member of the Class of 1951 as she joined us for some classes to finish off her degree. She studied at Tulane University in New Orleans and taught at schools in South Bend for 32 years. She also was a mother, and she traveled extensively.

**Barbara Herzog Hildebrandt** was a special friend of mine, both in school and in the years afterwards. We went to reunion together many times. She was the sister-in-law of **Teresa Despres Randall** and **Betty Annis Herzog**. She died October 24, 2009, and shall be missed by her friends and family.

**Virginia Vallee Delaney** and Joe sent a lovely Christmas letter complete with pictures. Their oldest granddaughter became a bride in Boise, Idaho. I mentioned in a previous column that their daughter and her husband had generously adopted three boys that are brothers. Since then, they have added the boys' two real sisters to their family.

**Patricia Ramsey Beckman** and her husband are now living in Avon, Ohio, which is near Cleveland. They moved up from South Carolina to be closer to their family and in a known medical community. Pat has written several children's books, including one about Mackinaw Island's fort. She enjoys the research. Pat keeps in touch with **Mary Terry Bader** and **Mary Guenin Kobasher**.

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I phoned **JeNanne Keenan Kelly** a year or two ago and had a very nice "catch-up" visit with her. I received this letter about JeNanne a couple of weeks ago:

"I am **Sue Podolak Barber** who went to Saint Mary's 1949–50, then transferred to Mercy Hospital in Aurora, Ill., and who became a registered nurse in 1953 (and retained that position in Arizona until I retired at age 65). I've lived in Arizona for 45 years, and have seen **Carolyn Rooney Connelly** and

**Sue Seidensticker Cannata**. I have three grown offspring—all marvelous in my opinion—living in three states.

"My special reason for writing is **JeNanne Keenan Kelly**. I lost track of her for many years, and then found her in Tampa, Fla., after years of poor health. She has been living with her daughter, Suzanne Kelly, at 8409 Bedford Lane, Tampa, FL 33615-4409. Her phone number is (813) 871-0777. JeNanne and I talked in September 2009, and she made me promise to write to you in the event of her death, and so it happened on December 28, 2009. She had several heart surgeries and died of esophageal cancer. She was a lovely person, and I shall have a Mass said for her here and contact Suzanne about it. I remember so many of our classmates and my year at Saint Mary's with fondness."

Ladies, letters and news like this are hard on me. I am grateful for every bit of correspondence that comes my way, but I can remember sitting at my desk and talking to JeNanne that night when I called her, and now there's only a memory. I keep berating myself. If I had done this job when we were all young, the news would have been more upbeat.

There is a bit of exciting news, though, from **Muriel Flanagan Cullen**. She is living in Hilton Head, S.C., most of her time, and she is remarried. She was married in December 2009 to Ralph J. Argen, by his Notre Dame classmate, Monsignor John Madden, in New York. Muriel reminded me that Ralph was her boyfriend at Saint Mary's College her freshman year. Muriel and Ralph, at the time I'm writing this, are living three weeks of every month in Hilton Head, and the fourth week back at their respective former homes, to keep the bills paid. They are delighted to have found each other, and Muriel says you can learn all about her husband on the Web site: [www.argenarthitis.com](http://www.argenarthitis.com). If you want to connect with Muriel though, use the old address you already have, because I am writing this in February and you will read this in the *Courier* later.

**Ruth Shafer Garlanger** wrote me early in December to say that she was laid off in September from her hospital lab job of 27 years, and that, so far, her retirement is great. She joined the hospital volunteers and serves in the surgical family waiting area. Ruth and Dick have two sons and two daughters, and one of their daughters, **Diann Garlanger Hofmann '96**, is a Saint Mary's College graduate. They have eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

**Linda Duffy Hensel** wrote that they lost a darling daughter, Patricia, age 49, in September. She had been having some health problems. Patricia's son, Matthew, is stationed in the Air Force near home, and they went to his wedding in Nashville over Christmas. The newlyweds have been in San Angelo for a couple of months. Matthew's brother, Benjamin, is in Afghanistan, and they need prayers for his safety. Shortly before tragedy struck Linda's family, she wrote me that she had a text message from a daughter, Jennifer, who lives in Virginia. She had been driving to Lake Michigan and went by Saint Mary's and Notre Dame. She had never seen the schools, and she emailed her mother that it is "beautiful" and she would send pictures. Yesteryear's "Belles" seem to be this year's "Saint Mary's chicks." This all gave Linda a moment of nostalgia before her bad news.

**Joan O'Brien Holland** wrote to tell me that she still keeps in touch with Joyce and Natalie at Christmas, and she and her husband moved to Homosassa, Fla., 20 years ago. She has done

volunteer work with Hospice, the local hospital, and local Catholic Charities. She taught the AARP Safe Driving Course for Seniors. Now she is a lector and extraordinary minister at church. Joan saw **June Root Kramer** a few times when they had a timeshare condo at Hilton Head, S.C. Now, it's mostly golf and some singing in choir and chorale.

Paul and **Rita Spaulding Quinn** have a new address at an Erickson retirement community, Greenspring, in Springfield, Va. They are only 10 minutes from two of their four grandchildren, Madeleine, eight, and Tilden, 11. They also have a great-granddaughter, Abby, 3, who lives with her family in San Antonio, Tex.

**Mary Brennan Schilling** wrote to say that they continue to live near Saint Mary's and Notre Dame, as they have their entire lives, but their children live in seven other states, far from Indiana. It was not in Mary's plan that they would live so far away, but they are all happy and doing well in their personal and professional lives. A granddaughter from Kansas is a senior this year at Notre Dame, and she stores her stuff in Mary's basement. (Her mother, **Susan Miller Schilling '86**, is married to Mary's son, Nicholas.) The more things change, the more they stay the same. They have a family reunion every five years, and this year it was in the mountains of Tennessee. Everyone attended, including all 17 grandchildren.

I had a long phone visit with **Dorothy Thiel Lafeber** from Hendersonville, N.C. She is the widow of a veterinarian, and they raised a family of seven children. Dorothy and her husband started in Chicago, but moved to North Carolina some time ago for a business venture in bird food, combined with the veterinary practice. Dorothy and I were both English majors, and we spent a few minutes remembering Sister Miriam Joseph.

Thanks to all of you who wrote me this time. It's a first—I haven't made any phone calls. I am going to close with some of **Liz Wolter Paul's** letter—it's to all of us:

"January 27, 2010. Where to start? I guess with the summer of 2008. I had to cancel my long-awaited trip to Saint Mary's for Reunion when I had surgeries and hospitalizations for gallbladder cancer. Finally, I got some strength back (but, not the weight I'd lost), and we were able to go to Florida for the winter season. Made it okay, but had a recurrence of the cancer—it had spread—last summer. Further treatment was not going to cure me, so I decided to forego that. So far so good—we're back in Florida and enjoying a good winter season. With the good thoughts and prayers of family and friends, I'm doing well, and we feel truly blessed. Vince and I keep busy with usual stuff, plus our volunteer work. We've enjoyed visits from some of our sons, with wives and assorted grandkids along, so that's been good.

"We have a family reunion every five years, and 2009's was in our hometown of Faribault, Minn. A great time was had by all, and we met our first great grandchild. We saw 'Randy' (**Joan Randag Maloney**) and Jim last winter while they were staying in Naples for a few months. Jim isn't doing well, and they won't be coming this year, so we're bummed.

**Anne Glosser Wolfe** has mentioned coming for a visit, but no word on that yet. So far so good here. I keep checking things off my bucket list, and we're so grateful for the gift of life. You don't have to print all of this; it's just what comes to mind while sitting here."

**Anne Foley Klimek** writes: "Good for you, Lorry, for keeping the class of 1953 in print. **Mary Brennan Schilling** and I belong to the same book

group. When Tom and I are in Indianapolis visiting our lawyer son, I get in touch with **Joan Crawford Easley**. Since her husband's death, Joan has been very busy in the family business, the Easley Winery. Before the holidays, **Mary Curley McDougal**, **Ann Korb '54**, and I enjoyed a Christ Child Society luncheon together. The Klimeks are looking forward to launching their sailboat on Lake Michigan soon. Smooth sailing to all of you."

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Many classmates that seldom write returned reunion update forms. It was so good to hear from you. Thanks.

**Mary Ann Braun Merline** is still in Washington, Miss., volunteers at the hospital, the parish quilting group, and is active in the parish choir. Mary Ann was a devoted Schola member during our school days. She and Keith celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary with four generations celebrating.

**Jean Turri Tucker** writes from Charleroi, Penn., where she is the office manager of the Hucker Oral Surgery Association. Jean, a retired teacher, is widowed and likes to travel and attend the opera and plays. **Elise Torczynski** has retired from her ophthalmology practice at the University of Chicago. She assists with her local grade school endowment fund. I was delighted to hear from **Kay Elsner Juricic**. "I hang my hat between Acapulco, my son's home in Michigan City, Ind., and my own home in Naples, Fla.," Kay writes, where she "goes to the Vineyards Club for my meals—a Saint Mary's girl who never learned to cook." Kay manages and rents her condos in Oakbrook, Ill., and in Acapulco.

**Carolyn Lining O'Rourke** is still full of enthusiasm for her position at Kings County Juvenile Center and Juvenile Academy (boot camp). She works with at-risk and learning-disabled students, is a board member of the Kings County Rehabilitation Center, and adjunct professor at Fresno State. "I am completely energized by all my students," she writes.

Our scholarship student for the 2009–10 year is Andrea Lynn Fritsch, a first-year student from Cincinnati, Ohio. She will be studying nursing and competing on the golf team. The award is \$3,100. Good luck to Andrea and thanks to all of you. Your contributions make this possible. The idea of an endowment came from **Frances Clohessy Spillane**. It was she who, after our 45th Reunion, was the driving force behind establishing the fund. I notice that other reunion classes have adopted similar funds, but it was Frances and the Class of '55 who led the way.

**Mary Ann Immonen Haidinger** celebrated the first anniversary of her new hip last July 2009. Then in August, she suffered a mild stroke and spent two days in the hospital, but thankfully has no lingering symptoms.

**Patricia Daly Wood** writes from Shavano Park, Tex., where she is retired from marketing. She is involved in conservative politics at the state and county level. She writes, "By the time you read this, we will have enjoyed reunion yet again. I always come away filled with joy at seeing all of you, recalling good times (and bad ones too, but let's forget those), and giving thanks that we came together in such a special place at a special time."

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Despite the joyous Christmas cards at my disposal, this column must begin with the sad news of the deaths of two of our number. **Diane Griffin Beytagh** died September 18, 2009, of pulmonary hypertension. She is survived by her husband, Frank ND'56, three children, and six grandchildren. Diane came to Saint Mary's from Toledo, Ohio, but Frank's career teaching law at Notre Dame, the University of Michigan, and elsewhere, and as dean of several law schools, brought many moves including, London, Houston, Columbus, and Amelia Island, Fla. Diane always found time to volunteer and enjoyed her job as a travel agent. Thinking of her evokes memories of her sense of humor as evidenced in her rhyming Christmas cards and her distinctive voice.

October 19, 2009 brought sad news of **Gina Feehan Scannell's** passing. Not too long ago, I had written of Gina's return to improved health, but this was brief. Gina is survived by her husband, Bob ND '57, who many of us knew, since they were married in December of our senior year. Bob's job as AD at Penn State brought them to State College, for many years. For seven years, they lived in Oakland, Calif., while Bob was chancellor of the City Colleges, but in retirement they came back to State College. Visiting their four children and 11 grandchildren occupied much of her time as did volunteering and travel, especially cruises. Gina made an impression from the beginning of freshman year when we sang our state and city songs in the Pebble with **Peggy Maher Engler** playing the piano. I can still picture her singing "Everything's up to date in Kansas City." Can you?

Our sympathy also goes to **Marie Lyman Meagher**, whose sister-in-law, **Ann Meagher Vander Vennet '59**, died in October. Jim and Marie had just celebrated their 50th anniversary shortly before Ann's death. Our prayers also go to **Ruth Keefe Herman**, whose sister-in-law, Kay, died in October, as did Evelyn O'Toole, mother of **Kathleen O'Toole**. **Katie Carroll's** sister, Pat, died in September. **Dee Kiley LeFevour's** uncle, Father Jim Burke, OP, passed away in October. The Winter 2009 *Courier* told of the August death of **Diane Landphair Knuth's** husband, Ed. **Julie Dittoe Schmidlin** was able to represent us at the funeral. All of these sad events, especially of our classmates, remind me of a great way to pay tribute to them. Don't forget our Class of 1957 Endowed Scholarship Fund. It's easy. Just contact Addie Cashore, Director of Donor Relations for the College.

A wonderful letter came from **Jean Giddens Cass**, including a picture and account of the April 2009 marriage of Jean and Al's daughter, Mary, in Valencia, Spain, where the bride is teaching at the American School. The Cass Family all participated in the wedding, including their three grandchildren. Jean has completely recuperated from back surgery and returned to volunteering, book clubs, and travel, especially now that they have family to visit in Spain.

Dan and **Pat Peterson Huber** now have 12 grandchildren to spoil and enjoy. Remarkably, all three families live in the same Chicago suburb, so cheering them on in their endeavors is a bit easier.

Also remarkable is the Huber's travel agenda, as always enjoying their homes in Steamboat, Colo., Hilton Head, S.C., and now a lake house in Cable, Wis., reunions in Shawano and Edgewood, and a fun trip with friends to Nashville.

Jim and **Pat Bauervic Leonard's** Christmas letter spoke of two wonderful ethnic family celebrations with their family. Last year's family trip to Croatia inspired a Fourth of July lamb roast, complete with Croatian folk music, authentic appetizers, and requests to repeat it every year. For Jim's 75th birthday, the children arranged for a full-dress Scottish piper and bagpipes to herald the occasion.

**Katie Reasor Anglin's** card wished me *Mele Kalikimaka*. Due to Katie's tutoring, I now know that means "Merry Christmas." Her wonderful and humorous letter was decorated with one of her beautiful paintings.

**Liz McCorkle Groden** used to enjoy her needlepoint hobby, and I can attest that she did some beautiful work. Arthritis in her wrist has led to another hobby, baking. Her lucky grandson, Colin, is a freshman at Lake Forest College, and he and his friends must delight in the fruits of her labors.

**Joanne "Jody" Donohoe McGoldrick's** duties on the Madeleva Steering Committee entail various meetings at Saint Mary's, and she was joined by Bob and their oldest son and his youngest son, at the Southern Cal game. A wonderful three-generation picture accompanied their Christmas letter. John and **Mary Alice "Mimi" Scanlon Ryan** sent Valentine greetings with a marvelous picture of them and their children and grandchildren celebrating New Year's Eve on a cruise from California to stops in Mexico. Dick and I enjoyed a trip to Florida in February, made even better by sharing lunch with Jim and **Pat Hoag Ziperski**, and Larry and **Mary Ann O'Loughlin Szydowski**. **Judy Hanks Maus** joined me for lunch another day. Thank God for friends.

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Sadly, as you know from the touching tribute in the last class column, our classmate, **Ann Meagher Vander Vennet**, lost her valiant fight with lung cancer on October 7, 2009. **Carol Lucas Dunne**, **Sarah Scales Mulcahy**, **Gerry Dunn Leinenweber**, **Betsy Finneran Kennedy**, and I spent the weekend at Lake Michigan with Ann and George in September for the ND-Michigan State game. The last night we were there, our hostess, Betsy, was taken ill and ended up in the hospital (and has since recovered). So instead of the planned brunch at Betsy's, we all cleared out and found a funky restaurant in Michigan City, where we had a truly laughing good time. In the powder room (I use those words loosely), Ann lamented that she had to attend her finance club the next morning to insist they take her off the check signature card. "Don't they realize I'm dying?" she snickered. Sarah called me a couple of weeks later in Maui, where I was vacationing to say I'd better call Ann, because as she told Sarah, "I'm about to fall off the cliff." I did, and she hummed a Hawaiian melody and said, "Aloha." She died peacefully, a few days later.

All of Ann's pallbearers were women (so like Ann) and included **Mary Hughes Enright** and Sarah

Scales Mulcahy. In attendance from our class were **Carol Podesta Foley**, **Mary Sheets Klinkose**, **Margaret "Ped" Broughton McGrath**, **Barbara Patrick O'Toole**, **Rosalie Riegle**, **Gerry Dunn Leinenweber**, and **Skip O'Donnell Revord**. I spoke with George a few weeks later. He sounded good and was planning to spend Christmas with his daughters and their families who live in the Chicago area, and then in February, visit his son, John, who moved to Australia with his job shortly after the funeral. On December 23, however, his 42-year-old son-in-law, John Immonen, suffered a massive heart attack, and died, leaving his wife, Claire, baby Jane, and little Van (who suffers from spina bifida). I spoke again with George following the holidays, and he said he'd done all his grieving while Ann was alive and would now do what he could for his daughter and grandchildren. Please keep George, Ann, and their family in your prayers.

**B.J. Hood O'Brien** had a sad visit with **Margie Kohlbrener Kress** and her husband, Peter ND'57, at a hospice in New York, where they both suffered terminal illnesses; he with a form of dementia called Lewy Body, and Margie, with cancer. They both required round-the-clock care and their children lived out of state. Sadly, Peter died October 16. Ironically, employed by Xerox all his working years, he was also a master builder and had been involved in the renovation of a residential home in the hospice where he died. Margie passed away less than four months later on February 1, 2010, leaving five children and four grandchildren.

As B.J. wrote, "We're losing some wonderful women from our class." Please keep Peter and Margie in your prayers. B.J., who began running right after our 25th Reunion with her daughter, **Molly O'Brien Bultink**

'93, was invited along with other alumnae to join Saint Mary's Cross Country team to raise money and collect shoes for the people of Uganda, East Africa.

On a somewhat brighter note, **Katie Hall Kilcullen** reports that her husband, Bob, underwent angioplasty in August and had three stents installed. He has less energy, but is otherwise okay. Quoting **Sue Brown Bapst** from her Christmas letter: "Bill had a second administering of the last rites in August and came through his latest brush with death okay. Currently, we're happy to report that both of us are healthy ... but, we're also doing our best to keep the economy and doctors in town happy in order to stay that way ... lots of visits to their offices, which seem to be paying off. Thank God for Medicare." **Mary Moran Gaudet** started the year with husband, Bob, recuperating from successful back surgery. He has returned to his normal routine, traveling to both coasts, playing golf, and working out. Mary is active in the Assistance League of Denver, is on the foundation board of an inner-city parochial school, and plays tennis and golf in her spare time.

**Mary Carpenter Erler** is still happily working

"although maybe not at the same level," she says. She mentioned in her Christmas card that her husband, Bob, was recovering from pneumonia but feeling stronger. Rosie Marie Mudd Nickodemus writes that her husband, John, is undergoing his third lung cancer treatment, "but we're intent on having a positive attitude," she says. Bud and **Mary Hughes Enright** spent Thanksgiving in Los Angeles to visit her new grandchild, Maeve. Her daughter-in-law's mother Joan, entertained Bud and Mary, along with **Sharon McGee Sittton Bradshaw**. (Joan is an old friend of mine and Sharon's from our kids' high school days.) Mary's son, Buddy, worked as a producer on the movie, *The Road*, and is currently working on *Burlesque* with Cher and Christina Aguilera. Bud (the dad) has a client in Pasadena and travels to Los Angeles often, but in December, on business alone, he suffered a mild stroke. His son found him wandering the lobby of the Century Hyatt the next morning, dressed for work, but in a very confused state. He was transported to UCLA Hospital immediately. No surgical intervention was required. Mary flew out to be with him, and we spoke

## CLASSCLIPS



Following a watercolor painting session, these members of the Class of 1961 played dress-up in vintage chapeaus. Pictured are (back row, left to right) Norma Lee Ngan, Christine McGoey Cummings, Sr. Mary Ellen Vaughan, CSC, Eleanore Wilson Eldred, Mary Ellen (Straw) Berry Malone, and seated Wini Tennis Kristufek.

briefly before she took him back to Boston where he is pursuing (under duress) speech-language therapy. If that wasn't enough, their nine-year-old grandson flew off a sled New Year's Eve and had a concussion and brain shear. He will recover, but will have to curtail school and can never again play ice hockey, which according to Mary, is part of his family's culture.

After returning from a cruise just before Christmas, **Sharon McGee Sittton Bradshaw** slipped on an ice rink while watching her grandchildren and broke her pelvis in two places. Doctors said there wasn't much they could do for her, but to take it easy. Shortly thereafter, her son, Rob, broke his back surfing; so much for "taking it easy." Rob is a single father with joint custody of two grade-school-age daughters, so Sharon has surely been challenged. Rob had surgery and last I heard, is going to recover. Sharon's oldest granddaughter is getting married in Arizona the first part of March and will move to California not far from her "grammy."

**Connie Roller Curtin** underwent shoulder replacement surgery on January 25. I spoke with her several days later and she sounded good. Her



numerous surgeries are due to severe arthritis. **Rosemary Zirille Spaulding** and her husband will visit Connie in March when they head to Arizona. Rosemary and David continue to mentor in a South Bend public school; he has a fourth-grade boy, and she has a sixth grade girl. It will be their third year, and the plan is to stay with until they graduate from high school. They also are involved in marriage preparation for engaged couples.

I read in the "Club" section of *Courier* that **Kathleen Hossley Hines**, who lives in La Jolla, is active in the San Diego Club. I didn't realize I had a classmate living nearby. Also, from *Courier*, the news that **Jackie Fix Bies** passed away August 25, 2009. Via email, her husband, Dick, wrote that she had a colon cancer removed surgically in early spring, but the cancer had spread, and she was gone by summer. Please keep them in your prayers.

Church and art museum activities continue to occupy most of **Jackie Baumer Berg's** days. She and Tom traveled to Munich for Oktoberfest in October then toured the Romantic Road ending up in Bavaria. Their 15-year-old granddaughter, who was previously diagnosed with Crohn's disease, was tested for food allergies. When eggs and dairy products were eliminated from her diet, her health improved immediately. Jackie feels this is knowledge that might benefit others. **Fran Tetaz Juliano** and Fred went skiing at Mt. Hood in Oregon, where one of their sons lives, and in the spring spent a couple of months playing golf at The Villages in Florida. She was sorry they returned too late to make the 50th Reunion. **Sally Porth Brown** and **Joy Manier Marchal** joined **Connie Roller Curtin** at her creek-side timeshare in Sedona in October. I've visited there several times, and it truly is a beautiful locale. **June Moxon Maze** has decided to retire from her job as vice principal at St. Veronica Elementary School in Milwaukee, but will serve on a parish committee to mentor a seminarian on his way to ordination.

**Marilyn Manion Thies** and Tom were aboard the *Rotterdam* for Christmas and New Year's Eve, from Fort Lauderdale to San Diego via the Panama Canal. That surely beats putting up a tree and baking cookies. **Pat Wilson Fastiggi** and Dick spent more time in Texas this winter because Dick accepted presidency of the mobile park where they have a home. Golf is surely more enjoyable in a Texas winter than it is in Vermont. The big news from **Marty Gillis Esrig** is that Aaron is once again retiring, but this time, it's for real. She enjoys bridge and golf and spending time at their desert home. **Marge Liebrich O'Connor** had a nice surprise call from **Camille Parrish Koehler** shortly before Christmas. Camille was Marge's roommate for the year and a half she attended Saint Mary's. She works as an attorney and CPA in Albuquerque, N.M. Marge writes, "She has had two heart attacks and a stroke this past year, but is as funny as ever." **Jeanne Pflaum Gnuse** fulfilled a dream by enjoying the evening with friends at a Metropolitan Opera opening night.

My sister, **Betty Benford Belfiore** and her husband have become avid "Parrot Heads" and follow bands all over the place. They spent a week at the festival in Key West. Shortly after returning from a concert in New Orleans, Jack fell again and broke an ankle on one leg and the femur on the other. He remains unsteady due to the aftereffects of the Guillain-Barre syndrome he contracted two years ago. So, he's back to square one, spending time in rehab where he is intimately known . . . and loved. His spirits remain high however.

Gerry and I recently celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary (as many of you have) with our immediate family, which numbers 35, at a beach resort in Oxnard, Calif. We have been plagued with El Nino this year, but the weather gods smiled on us and we enjoyed 80-degree weather the entire weekend. We were hosted and roasted and enjoyed every second of it. When the fruits of your labor turn out to be so upstanding and outstanding—and make such great Bloody Marys—what more can you ask for? Keep your emails coming.

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As you may know by now, **Marilyn McPheron** lost her struggle with COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease) in August 2009. **Judy Gibney Jurgenson** wrote to mention having lost her roommate, **Ros Capparelli Di Cuccio**, to complications of diabetes in November 2008. **Joan Dorgan** wrote in September of losing her brother, Dick ND '61. Joan quotes Thomas Campbell, "To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die." Our sincere condolences to the families of all.

On a somewhat lighter note, my informal query of our classmates who responded to my email, reveals lots of arthritis, eight bionic knees and one hip, a kidney, and the electronic Christmas present you taxpayers gave me, a pacemaker. Seriously, it seems as though we're doing pretty-darned well for our advancing age.

In August, **Gail Donovan** wrote of a "pleasant visit with **Lynne Baur**," whose energy wore Gail out. Apparently slowing down hasn't occurred to Lynne. Gail dines frequently with **Joann Vanek**, **Beverly Troxler O'Grady**, and **Mary Schuh de Silva**, in New York, considering them "great women to know, and to think we've known one another since we were 17 or so," she says. **Sally O'Connor Fallon** was married in September to Dick Arthur, "whom I've known for 30 years." Widow and widower, they have nine kids and 21 grandchildren between them. Sally has retired from teaching and doesn't miss it a bit. Good for you Sally, on both counts.

#### Cathy Michuda

**Kozak** enjoyed a lunch visit with **Ginny Federer Baldwin** and **Kitty Quinlan Orth** in California last summer (2009), and has been organizing quarterly luncheons for our Chicago classmates. Most recently gathered together were **Camilla Beierle Benson**, **Virgie Burke Gannon**, **Mary Ruth MacKinnon Renahan**, **Ginny Benton Morris**, and **Norah Kennedy Amschler**. **Judy Gibney Jurgenson** plans to attend next time. She stays in contact with

#### Kathy Drouillard McQuillan.

**Margo Vitalich Manley** announces that she "actually, all-by-myself, purchased a home, to be known as Lil'Blue (when I change its hue), right here in Half Moon Bay." **Susie Duncan Lawler** appreciates the notoriety accorded her in last *Courier*, and wonders if we should nominate one another for positions as new Saint Mary's College board members (gotcha, Suz). **Carol Ann Conrad Rafferty** planned to "walk in the graduation ceremonies at Bethel College in May 2010 and receive my associate degree. What to do next? Sociology or human services?" **Joan Mousaw McGuire** has recovered from a total hip replacement and would "be happy to hear about a classmate's fabulous experience with getting a new body part. Gotta love the titanium," says our latest bionic woman. **Joan Dorgan**, with her Peninsula Singers of Point Loma, was invited to sing at Carnegie Hall in March 2010, joined by other choirs from around the country, to perform Beethoven's *Mass in C* under the direction of John Rutter. She wrote of expecting the aforementioned New York gals, and **Phoebe Blake** and **Myrna Walker Hall**, to cheer her there. Joan claims she's added this experience to her "bucket list." Good for you, Joan.

**Mary Rainey** has written much of her experience with Red Cross assisting the people arriving from Haiti after their recent earthquake-related disasters. You're quite a gal, Mary, and a credit to the classmates who made you what you are today. Mary sent pictures from the Venice Florida Sunday Brunch Group with **Judy Reardon**, **Eileen Holtmeier Cash**, **Susie Cahill**, **Betty Rompf Gallick**, and **Pat Logan Thomas**. Judy is interested in studying grandparenting along with her PhD in psychology. Eileen is enjoying painting and



The Class of 1963 "Sunday Brunch Group" met for a 3 hour lunch on February 14th. Stories and laughter abounded. Pictured left to right are: Judy Reardon, Eileen Holtmeier Cash, Susie Cahill Zavodnyik, Betty Rompf Gallick, Pat Logan Thomas and Mary Rainey

is an avid golfer, and Susie recently won an award for her fine work promoting Venice businesses. Betty is a fine violinist, and the group attends all her concerts. Pat maintains "a great place on the beach where she recreates with her family and where we all hope to party soon." Me too, Patty?

**Diana Castaldi Scheeler** is enjoying retirement, travel with friends to China, 12 grandchildren, volunteering with the Respect Life Program, and

as a facilitator for a group of spouses grieving a death by suicide. "Through all the ups and downs of life, I am very grateful for the Catholic faith," she says. **Kathleen Mary Owen** remains grateful "for all the fun people I met at Saint Mary's years ago, and for the fine women you've become thanks to my mentoring. Keep doing good for others, y'all, and stay well," she says.

From the *Courier*: *Ellen Lefcourt passed away on March 25, 2010.*

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Not quite as much news this time, Ladies. I think everyone is saving up for our 45th Reunion. After this cold, snowy, and never-ending winter in the Midwest, I can't wait for spring and visiting with old and dear friends at Saint Mary's. **Lil Chard Beshel** sent news of **Sue Bodkin Tompkins** in North Carolina. Writes Sue, "My two grandchildren in North Carolina were also part of my decision to move to there. Austin is 15 and Kelsey is 12, and then there's Eva, who will be the big sister. Eva is in Washington, D.C., while Austin and Kelsey live about a half hour from me. I really enjoy being able to go see the football games and cheerleading. Life in North Carolina is really good. I just moved here from Connecticut about a year and four months ago, but am really enjoying retirement and making new friends as well as being closer to family (Polly, my daughter, and her family) and my mother and two brothers who live in Charlotte."

**Mary Delaney Willer** and Ed sailed the Mediterranean. "We went to Mykonos, but I preferred Santorini. In Athens, we visited the brand new Athens museum that opened in June. Our son, Colin, is getting married November 14, and the president of Xavier University, Father Graham, is saying the Mass at Madonna della Strada at Loyola University in Chicago. His fiancée works for Xavier, and they both know Father Graham. Colin, a Xavier grad, got his MBA from Loyola, so he can get married there. The chapel has recently been renovated, and it is an Art Deco wonder," Mary says.

Last October, **Marianne Spalding Schiavone** was honored by West Suburban Medical Center, Oak Park, Ill., with the Margaret R. Houck Award for Volunteerism and Stewardship, an annual award presented to a man or woman who has demonstrated years of good works for one's community. Congrats, Marianne. Then, her youngest son, Paul, married Catherine Shoemaker in Chicago on February 27, 2010. Also, Marianne sends news that "Dave and I were thrilled to return to Tuscany September 25–October 4, a surprise trip with 20 other couples, guys that all graduated from Notre Dame in 1964, 65, or 66. John Phillips ND '66, our host, owns the *Borgo*, which in Italian means 'village.' The buildings go back to 800AD. *Borgo Finocchietto*. Go to the web site (<http://www.borgofinocchietto.com>) for a real treat."

**Patsy Callahan Berry** sent me a great little photo card with a picture of herself and Joe at their new retirement spot in Mountain Home, Tex. It is lovely. Their new place looks idyllic and peaceful, and they look great. We wish them loads of happiness. Thanks, Patsy.

**E.J. Caluwaert McFadden** asks: "Has anyone mentioned that on New Year's Eve, myself, **Therese McCaffery McConville**, **Cille Sorrentino Bucolo**, **Marianne Spalding Schiavone**, and **Katherine Zeller Nicklin** met in Oak Park for a wonderful two-hour lunch? As always, conversation flowed, and we all felt bad we had to leave after only two hours, since we were all busy that night. In fact, Katherine was hosting a birthday party for a large, family gathering at her condo in the Loop an hour after she left Oak Park. I couldn't do that, for sure."

From Travelin' **Terry Miltich Murphy**: "Your roving classmate has gotten together with **Pam White Ficarella** who lives near my daughter in the Philadelphia suburbs. We had a great time catching up and touring the lovely Chanticleer Garden in Wayne, Penn. Pam is an avid gardener and enjoys managing a Starbucks restaurant. We have enjoyed some meals together, and my grandchildren look forward to seeing her again. Also, Jack and I had a fabulous Baltic cruise in June 2009, but I twisted my knee on the initial sail-away. After knee surgery, I am almost as good as new, but avoiding twist contests from now on. Hoping to see all my classmates at our reunion—it's a great way to feel young again without painful surgery or expensive time travel."

"I've been spending my retirement helping my sister **Noreen Lyons Burke '58** and her husband, Mike Burke '58 ND, clean out her house in Canton, Mass., and move to Laguna Niguel, Calif.," writes **Theresa (Teffy) Lyons Brosnan**. "Now, I have a place to visit in the cold New England winters. Our mother turned 99-years old on March 3, and she still lives by herself and has all her faculties. I will not be able to make our 45th Reunion this time, and I'm sorry about that. Hopefully, with my mother's longevity, I'll be there for the 50th." We'll miss you, Teffy.

"We spent a wonderful October week in Sicily, and visited the hometowns of Michael's maternal grandparents," says **Sheila Flynn Boone**. "We were amazed at how beautiful the island is and at all the ruins there are to see. From there, we flew to Civitavecchia, Italy, and boarded a ship for a Mediterranean cruise. Greece was simply beautiful, and Turkey was unbelievable, especially Ephesus, where the Virgin Mary is said to have spent her last days. However, the *pièce de résistance* was Giza, Egypt, site of the Sphinx and the Great Pyramids. We love the international, but nothing can top our visits to the grandchildren in Omaha and San Francisco. I'm looking forward to June 2010 and seeing everyone at our 45th Reunion. I don't think my college roommate, **Pat Devine McCarthy**, will be able to make it. That's a disappointment, but please everyone, say a special prayer that she will be feeling up to the trip for our 50th. She is still undergoing chemo treatments, but from what I understand, her pulmonary hypertension is more of a problem than her cancer."

New York news from **Nancy Wagner LaValle**: "I spent a great weekend in February in Chicago with **Darlene Unger Currier** and **Barbara Leahy Sutton**. Barb departed for Montana a few days after our visit, and Darlene flew back to her winter residence in Austin, Tex. She had plans to catch up on news from **Joan Marskey Slattery** and her husband, Bill ND '65, who wintered in Austin for six weeks to play golf and enjoy the climate—a break from chilly Minnesota. My husband, Luke, and I just returned from Key Biscayne, Fla., but didn't find that balmy Florida weather this time. I do take care of my 18-month old granddaughter, Abby Rose, two days a week, and it's the best job I've ever had. We're fortunate that our whole extended

family is in New York."

Some random news blurbs: Bill and **Joanie Marskey Slattery** were spending a bit of the winter in Texas and visited with **Darlene Unger Currier**. **Patty Podesta Crumley** and I are taking Spanish at the Farmers Branch, Tex., senior center. It is a hoot," writes **Junie Miller Smith**. "Our first wedding, our son, is coming up in less than four weeks and we are all excited," writes **Paula Dale Mulligan**. "We are hoping we don't get a spring storm in Akron on March 24." **Lil Chard Beshel** and Larry send news of exotic travel to Disney World to watch their grandchildren, Ava and Finn, in the Magic Kingdom Theme Park. An email just arrived from **Rosann Gorman Conroy** and Martin who are spending the winter in Naples, Fla.: **Heidi Keck Hanley** and her husband, Bob, are stopping by on Tuesday for lunch. They have been renting at Longboat Key, and on their way to visit a friend we will get together," Rosann writes.

From me, our son, Bill, the youngest of our three, is recently engaged to a lovely young woman. All three of our children and their families are nearby in Chicago, and we could not be more pleased with that arrangement.

Our Class of 1965 Memorial Fund continues to grow, and we provide \$1,400 each year to a worthy student. Thank you for all your generous commitment to this vital mission.

Last minute news from **Ann Pindar**: "Talked with **Judy Gerhart Lynch** who retired last year after teaching over 40 years, which she loved. She has four grandchildren and keeps up with **Carolyn Clark Foster**, who has retired to North Carolina. Also, talked with **Barrett Shaw**, who has quasi-retired and still has her horse that still eats a lot. She will see us at Reunion 2010. Talked to **Pam Wegner Alexander**, who is now retired and has nine grandchildren: all girls, except one boy. I am going on vacation to Pinehurst, N.C., this week, and while there will stop in to see **Carolyn Clark Foster**, who lives in the beautiful harbor town of Southport."

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From Maureen: It has been a few years since the Class of '67 has been featured in the *Courier*. **Mary Kean Coffey** did such great job as our reporter for many years. The torch (or pen, or keyboard), has now passed. We will love to see the Class of '67 back from the "Twilight Zone."

Larry and I recently retired to Williamsburg, Va., after 40 years in northern New Jersey. This has given me the opportunity to take over the role of class correspondent. Emails went out to the one-third of the class with registered current email addresses with the College's Alumnae Relations Office. The enthusiastic responses are below:

**Mary Kay Shevlin Palmer** reports from Ft. Myers, Fla., that she retired from IBM Global Services in 2002, and after decades of traveling for business with AT&T and IBM, has turned her energies to volunteering in her local parish as a Eucharistic Minister and

coordinator of the Lector Program. She is on the board of the Lee County ND Alumni Club. **Mary Kay Lynyak O'Sullivan '63** and **Marcella Lynyak Connor** enjoy traveling together: last summer to Italy, and in December, to St. Maarten. Marcella now lives in Orleans, Mass.

Tom ND '67 and **Sharon Loisel Murphy** are retired in Denver, N.C., enjoying golf and travel. Their daughter, son-in-law, and three grandchildren are 20 minutes away; their son and daughter-in-law with two children are a short trip away in northern Virginia. "All in all, we are quite busy and very blessed," Sharon says.

**Mary Chmielewski Golichowski** writes: "My daughter Anne, 33, lives in Houston with her husband and our darling granddaughter. Anne is teaching ESL (English as Second Language) at the college level. Her professional meeting is in March 2010 in Boston, and guess who is speaking? **Suzanne Seidl Griffin** from our class, Distinguished Alumna award winner at our 40th Reunion, who is still working in education in Afghanistan. When Suzanne was a university vice president in Seattle, Anne met her and was inspired to become an ESL teacher.

Mary's husband, Alan, "is working hard as chief of Maternal Fetal Medicine in the OB/GYN Department of Indiana University. We've recently moved from our house of 30 years to another one, without the huge yard. Alan says we 'right-sized.' I have finished my work as a media specialist for the last 26 years and am attempting to get our house in order. Son, David, has a surf shop on the beach in San Juan del Sur, Nicaragua. We also have a house on Lake Michigan, just 40 minutes from South Bend, and that is where we host friends for ND football games. I value my Saint Mary's education and treasure the friendships and experiences from those four years," Mary says.

**Suzanne Seidl Griffin**, PhD, writes from Kabul, Afghanistan, that in December 2010, she will complete her assignment as chief of party for the Washington State University Afghanistan Alliance Project, implementing large-scale projects like developing webmasters for the country's 23 universities, and aiding faculty members in their English and IT (information technology) skills. Upon returning to the Pacific Northwest after eight-plus years in Afghanistan, Suzanne expects to spend more time with her five grandchildren who range from newborn to nine years of age.

**Jane Tiernan Meyer** comments from Cadillac, Mich., that her husband, Jack, is just "semi-retired." He is still quite involved in the ski and golf business that they own with his brother, and their son, Pete, one of their four children, and a nephew who manages the business, keeping three of the Meyer's 10 grandchildren nearby. Daughter, Mary Jane, was married in July 2009. **Maureen Broderick Kuntz**, and her husband, Nick, along with Mike and **Mary Kean Coffey**, traveled to Cadillac for the event. The three couples were together again in September for the Kuntz's son's wedding in California's wine country, joined by John and **Patti Jo Haggart Turner**—another fun reunion. Pre-wedding festivities in Dallas brought the Coffeys to Dallas where they saw Hank and **Barb Neuhoft Schlachter** and their wonderful family, **Pat Crouere Denechaud**, and **Patty Dalton Caolo**. Patty and her daughter, Caroline, own a really cool children's shop where Mary stocked up on grandchildren gifts.

Last fall, a number of the Chicago-area Belles got together. **Mary Eiff Coyle**, **Mary Geddes Boehler**, **Sara Flecker Nash**, **Kitty Plunkett Freidheim**, **Barbara Phelan**, **Joan Garvey Hermes**, **Karen**

**Haskins Brucks**, **Mary Mortimer Meany**, and **Mary Kean Coffey's** Saint Mary's little sister, **Patty Reynolds Walsh '69**, had a grand time catching up, and they "had a ball."

**Barbara Vandivier Strom** writes: "Justin and I are still living in Mequon, Wis., although we have traveled much in the last few years. I am no longer teaching French here, so we can finally go to non-French destinations. We go regularly to Hilton Head and Florida to escape the Wisconsin winters and keep up with golf. Son, Kenny, is now 27 and engaged to be married this Fourth of July. Kenny has been working for four years with the investment side of Prudential. The last three and a half years, I have had the additional challenge of dealing with ovarian cancer. Although diagnosed at a fairly early stage, it has been a relentless disease, which is now rather chronic, but kept at bay by chemotherapy. Except for surgeries and chemo treatments, it has not really interfered with any activities, and I have been fortunate to have no real symptoms or anything that stops me from exercising and doing what I want. However, it is always there, and any prayers and good vibes would be appreciated."

**Penny Haller Hyman** writes: "Jim and I live in Peachtree City, Ga. (near Atlanta), and are retired. We have gotten into camping recently and bought a small travel trailer. Never thought I would be a camper, but we made a 12,000-mile trip to the

Pacific Northwest last August and September 2009. On the way, we stopped in and visited **Lois Felker Wenstrup** and her husband, Joe, in their new retirement home on a pretty lake near Cincinnati. Lois and Joe have seven grandchildren and moved from South Carolina to be near them. I am looking forward to our next reunion in 2012."

**Jane Nagle Hargrove** has been in San Diego, Calif., since 1968 (came with Marine Corps orders) and plans to remain there for retirement. "After 42 years of marriage and four children, ages 25–41, we are having our first wedding this fall. We look forward to the event and all that goes with it," she says.

Eleven Belles had a mini-reunion in August 2006 in Red Bluff, Calif., and it was fun. **CeCe Ruppert Barkley** hosted us in the Victorian mansion she maintains in that historic town.

**Colleen Moran Tobino**, **Jill Murphy Hall (RIP)**, **Nancy Raber Tetlow**, **Carol Stanojev Kirwan**, **Susan Stout Redmond**, **Kay Mack Johnson**, **Mary Burdon Maginniss**, **Pat Hart DeNoble**, **JoAnn Tetlow Welch**, and I enjoyed our brief and newsy time together. Unfortunately, **Susan Rogers Schenkelberg** could not make it due to two grandchildren being born the same week. But now it's time to do it again.

Not that I'm counting, but **Nancy Raber Tetlow** and Frank have 13 grandchildren. That must be a record of some sort for our class. Any more expected,

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**Debbie Laverie '85** was named the Senior Associate Dean in the Rawls College of Business Dean's office at Texas Tech University. Debbie was the Coordinator in the Area of Marketing and also served as the director of the Teaching, Learning and Technology Center.

**Nancy Frank '57** was honored for her work with tutoring youth in October 2009. Frank has been volunteering for over 19 years with OASIS, a national education and service organization as a reading tutor. She received one of only three nationwide awards given in the Individual Category as part of the 2009 National Retired Teachers Association With Our Youth! Awards.

**Sister Mary Elizabeth Imler, OSF '75** was appointed as vice president of mission integration and ministry at the University of St. Francis. Imler recently completed her second term as general superior of her congregation and served three years as president of the Spirit and Life and the Transformation Task Force for the Franciscan Federation of North America. She recently served congregations in the Far East and Africa.

**Loretta "Lettie" Albright Muckley '83** is receiving attention for her research on the benefits of reading aloud to teenagers. Albright, Ph.D., is an associate professor of literacy in the department of reading at Texas Woman's University in Denton. Her work was profiled in *Education Week*, a national newspaper, and on a Madison, Wisconsin television station. Most of her read-aloud research involves middle school students, especially eighth-graders.

**Adriana Trigiani '81** has another best-selling book, *Brava Valentine*. Released on February 10, the novel is sequel to *Very Valentine*, which debuted in February 2009 and was also a best seller. Fans everywhere will soon see Trigiani's work on the big and small screens. She wrote the screenplay for and will direct the big screen version of her novel *Big Stone Gap* which will go into production this summer. Adriana has also written the film adaptation of *Lucia*, *Lucia* and *Very Valentine* which will be made into a Lifetime Original movie.

**Therese Johnson Borchard '93** just published her memoir *Beyond Blue: Surviving Depression & Anxiety and Making the Most of Bad Genes* and a book of therapy notes called *The Pocket Therapist: An Emotional Survival Kit*. Borchard is the author of the daily blog "Beyond Blue," which is featured weekly on The Huffington Post and was voted by PsychCentral.com as one of the top 10 depression blogs.



Nancy? Anyone have more?

**Mary Jane Bull** writes: I retired from my 36-year job at Covance in 2005. I'm trying to get a master's degree in computer security through South University. Blessings to all."

**Ginny Werner Devona** corresponds with **Mary Kristel Amick** in Brownsburg, Ind. Quotes Ginny: "I look back fondly at my years at Saint Mary's, except for the accounting classes with Miss Cavanaugh." Ginny and John are now empty nesters in Western Springs, Ill. Daughter, Mary ND '00, was married in 2007 and is an attorney in Chicago. Son, John Peter ND '95, is an attorney in Wheaton, Ill. Ginny's Mom, **Marie Reiter Werner '33**, is still going strong at age 98."

**Lynn DePhillip Cullen** is anticipating a move from Basking Ridge, N.J., and says, "I've got my resume all polished up and have just started applying for jobs in the Pittsburgh area. I think it is time for me to move on/back to be closer to my brother and sisters. We'll see if anyone is willing to hire a senior citizen." Lynn planned on visiting **Mary Carol McCracken** in Boca Raton, Fla., in March 2010, with **Denise Stack McNaughton** of Sagamore Hills, Ohio. The three got together at Lynn's cottage on Lake Erie last summer and wanted a winter visit as well.

Mary Carol is a retired financial advisor. She holds a volunteer job as newsletter editor for The Compassionate Friends, Boca Chapter. It is a non-profit, self-support organization of parents who have lost their child or grandchild. Her only child, her son, Leo, died in a car accident in 2008. The

corporate real estate company. Gloria and Jay's son, Jim, just became a VP of Franklin Templeton in San Francisco. Gloria saw **Katie Meskill** in Chicago for a reunion. Katie lives in Washington, D.C., where her husband, "Woz," is undergoing chemotherapy. She welcomes our prayers.

**Rosemary Zimmerer Richard** and Arnie still call Kokomo, Ind., home. Retirement hasn't slowed them down. Rosie's volunteer work with Birthright of Kokomo has been a wonderful example to their four children, who are all grown and involved in meaningful volunteer work themselves. Youngest son, Adam, just started a wine importing business in Atlanta; daughter, Amy, is working on her master's degree in public health at Indiana University.

**Marcia Servis Silvestro** and husband, Frank, recently retired to Anderson, S.C., and joined the Richards for a few days in Hilton Head last summer, their first visit together in 22 years. The women hit the phone and got the ball rolling for more classmates to reconnect by email.

**Carol Doechner O'Reilly** writes from Lexington, Ky., that she worked for many years at the University of Kentucky (UK) writing special education federal grants. Carol has now taken on a second career as business manager for the history department at UK. Jim and Carol's daughter, Shannon, had some heart-related health issues this year and could use our prayers.

**Carol Virkler** retired as a principal of a large, Arizona inner-city school, but clerking at a Coldwater Creek shop wasn't stimulating enough for her. For the past four years, Carol has been principal at The Native American State School of the Gilda River Indian Community Reservation. The pre-kindergarten through fourth-grade school has received federal funds, and is the first in their area to reach the goals of the No Child Left Behind program.

Tom and **Eileen Lex Keller** have retired, sold their New Jersey home, and are moving to Florida, where son, Thomas, daughter, Kathleen, (and, oh, yes, a couple of cute grandchildren) will be nearby. Our sympathy to Eileen on the passing last July of her mother, Catherine Lex, "always a Saint Mary's girl at heart."

**Gracie Batista Nearing** and Michael hosted Larry

and me for dinner in Key Biscayne, Fla., when we were in town for a family wedding two years ago. They have relatives near our new home in Williamsburg, so we hope to return the honor soon.

**Katie Ebner Goodno '95** and George and their two young daughters, recently moved a mile from our son, Chris, and family in Alexandria, Va., so we expect to see more of Vince and **Maribeth Cleary Ebner** now that there aren't so many miles between us. Vince has retired from the furniture industry and Maribeth is plugging away with her usual big smile as assistant vice president in health care at Wells Fargo in their downtown Cleveland Office.

Send those emails and letters, Classmates, as we are anxious to hear from many more of you.

'69

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Hello, classmates. I am writing our current column at the end of what has been an exceptionally snowy winter for many of us. We even managed to get about four inches of snow here in southeastern North Carolina one day—truly a "snow event"—but nothing in comparison to the blizzards that hit the northeast and other areas. Even by our former South Bend standards, this has been remarkable. I hope that by the time this column reaches you, you'll be relaxing—wherever you are—in warm, sunny weather.

I want to share more of our survey responses with you and will start with one from **Kareen Reese Klier**. Kareen retired from teaching in June 2009 and was looking forward to spending more time with her granddaughter in Columbus and more time with her mother, helping her as needed. She also wrote that she and her husband, Tom, were planning to head to the Phoenix area for February and March, escaping some of the Ohio winter weather. Ever since turning 40, Kareen and three other classmates, **Mary Ann Hickey Walsh**, **Patti Hanna McCauley**, and **Laura Frank Chudd**, have met yearly for a weekend, most often in Chicago. One of their favorite activities has been enjoying high tea at the Ritz.

**Cynthia Joy Strobel** lives in Arizona and works part-time as a real estate broker in the Sedona area. She became a first-time grandmother when her son, Colin, and his wife, Mary, had a daughter, Evelyn Jane, in May 2009. Cynthia's daughter, Jane, has been a bilingual science teacher and a firefighter, and is now working on her master's in biology at the University of Arizona. Cynthia is actively involved in her church.

From the Pittsburgh, Penn. area, **Angela Mead Marvin** updates her status. She has been teaching fourth and fifth grades, accompanying school liturgies and programs, and lobbying on behalf of school choice, pro-life, and traditional marriage. She also has been active with the local historic preservation organization. Angela and her husband, Doug ND '69, have two daughters and four grandchildren.

**Barbara Mary Schleck** is now retired after a 20-year radio and television journalism career, running a non-profit organization for seven years and caring for a parent with dementia for two years. She is currently a member of the board of directors for the non-profit senior living community in Evanston, Ill., where her late mother resided, and she is a member of her parish council in Chicago.

**Mary Graf Demetrio** is delighting in her two grandsons and pursuing her PhD in "fun." She is also busy with a women's barbershop chorus, knitting, yoga, and meditation.

In Ithaca, N.Y., **Patricia Frazier** continues to work as an office assistant, sings with the church choir, and volunteers at the public library and a clothing consignment shop. Her nephew and his wife live nearby in Ithaca, and Pat enjoys a grandnephew and two little grandnieces.

## CLASSCLIPS



Members of the Class of 1969 gathered at the Ritz Carlton in Chicago to enjoy high tea. Pictured from left to right top row is Kareen Reese Klier and Patti Hanna McCauley. Bottom row from left to right is Laura Frank Chudd and Mary Ann Hickey Walsh.

group has helped her cope with this loss, and it has chapters all over the U.S. in case any other Saint Mary's parents have had such an unfortunate experience. Mary Carol is still in frequent touch with Saint Mary's roommate, **Holly Heidt McGuire**, and Holly's husband, Mike, in Pittsburgh.

**Gloria Ross McGiveran** and Jay recently sold their home of many decades in Stamford, Conn., and purchased a home in Glenview, Ill. They spend seven months a year in Bonita Spring, Fla. They recently sat with **Mary Mortimer Meany** at a dinner honoring Saint Mary's College President **Carol Ann Mooney '72** in Naples, Fla. Gloria bypassed her biology background for an accounting degree some years after graduation and retired as VP and CFO of a

**Maryanne Wolf** is at Tufts University where she was recently given an endowed chair for her work in literacy. She and her husband, Gil, have two sons. Maryanne stays in touch with **Dr. Terry Menke Hargrave '68**, **Helen Meihaus Canfield**, and Father John Dunne.

**Sally Strobel Ladky** writes that she and her husband, Tom, have five adult children and two

join us then. She's in touch with **Fran Roat Stinnett**. Mary Alice also wrote that she, Marian, and Fran were planning to attend a Saint Mary's College event together at the end of March 2010 with College **President Carol Ann Mooney '72**.

**Sheila Dwyer Robusto** and her husband, Danny ND '70, split their time between Fernandina Beach, Fla., and Meredith, N.H. In late January, my husband, Roy, and I drove to Florida to visit several friends, including Sheila and Danny. We had a wonderful time. Sheila and I walked the beach a bit and explored some shops in the Amelia Island area while Roy and Danny golfed. At night we ate, drank, and listened to music—good times. Many of you will remember dancing to Danny's group back in our South Bend days. Roy and I are looking forward to welcoming Sheila and Danny here in Wilmington, N.C., when they travel back and forth to New Hampshire for the warmer months of the year.

I have had a couple of recent emails from **Margaret Roberts Richards**. In one of them, she expressed her sadness at leaving Albania. Margaret wrote, "I will be returning to

lost my husband of 38 years on March 11, 2009. He was only sick for eight weeks. At the time, we were moving from Delaware to North Carolina. So it has been very interesting. We have lived many places and were heading to the Carolinas to retire and be near our kids and grandkids. Our daughter, Melissa, is married and has one child, Chase, who is 20 months. Our son, Matt, is married and has two children: Bise, four, and his sister, Meredith, five months.

"When Mike became ill, I decided to come to Raleigh to be near our daughter. I was anticipating a long medical road and wanted to be near one of the kids. Matt transferred to Raleigh to be near us too. Once Mike passed away, I bought a small house here and live midway between my kids and grandkids. Each family is 15 minutes away. I work part-time to keep busy and play tennis as much as I can. I live on a golf course and plan to spend more time there this summer. So far, I really like Raleigh. Having the kids nearby is great, since we have not all lived in the same city since they left Savannah to go to college years ago. I have never attended a class reunion, but may have to consider it. It would be great to catch up with everyone and see where life has taken them. If anyone wants to get in touch, that would be great. You can email me at cornleslie@yahoo.com. I always enjoy reading about my classmates, even though I have been off the radar for years."

## CLASSCLIPS



Several Chicago alumnae attended a wine and cheese reception at the home of Melanie Becker '04 in late March. Among the attendees were, left to right: Dr. Jennifer Caine '03, Sandra Nave Grenda '72, Dr. M. Noel Wehrung Becker '71, Melanie Becker '04 and Jessica Coulter '02.

grandchildren. "The oldest is the only one living in Wisconsin; the youngest lives in Bangkok, with Denver, Dallas, and Cleveland in between," she says. In addition to church committee positions and a position with the Archbishop's Respect Life Advisory Board, Sally is the executive director of the Wisconsin Abstinence Coalition. She also serves on city and state teen pregnancy prevention councils and is on the advisory board of the National Abstinence Education Association. She won the "Inspire by Example" award from the Volunteer Center of Milwaukee. Congratulations, Sally.

**Kathy Carey Moore** is now retired from teaching and keeps active at her parish serving as a Eucharistic minister and a member of the parish council. She also works two days each week in her old kindergarten classroom. Kathy is in a book club with **Patty Reynolds Walsh**, **Mary Ragen O'Rourke**, and **Mary Beth Barry Hogan**. Kathy also visits and calls **Janice Williams** often.

**Janice Williams** spent Christmas in Grand Blanc, Mich., with **Bev Pagorski Reid**, her husband, Don ND '70, and their family.

I heard from **Lynn Foss Jones** that she and Bob ND '67 welcomed another grandchild in November and were planning to spend several days in Chicago in December. They were back home in Colorado Springs in time for Christmas.

**Mary Alice Herod Lajoie** sent an email saying she had run into **Marian Morris Furey** who had just moved back to Cincinnati with her husband, Denny ND '69. They were staying at a friend's home until their new house would be ready in March.

In February, Marian was heading out to California to see her granddaughter who was born around our reunion time June 2009; the reason Marian didn't

Washington, D.C. for knee surgery. After six weeks, I will leave Peace Corps service, about six weeks early. Let me simply say that Peace Corps is a walking adventure, and steps, stairs, and roads are all very uneven. Many times I was getting on (mini buses that take you from town to town). Often, I had to go up to the seat: around two-and-a-half to three feet, and of course, the same thing getting down (ugh). So a few times, I slipped. Plus, the MRI shows age issues (WHAT?), and maybe my Irish dancing or Scottish dancing may have had their moments. So, I am back to the States for another adventure, and leaving behind a wonderful family of friends." A few days later, Margaret wrote a final message from Albania. "This morning, I am sitting at the Mother Teresa Airport preparing to leave. I will be in D.C. for four to six weeks. From there? Most likely, I will return to Columbus. *But, life will never really be the same.* During my time in D.C., I hope to reflect on this amazing life experience. Peace from Albania, one last time," she writes.

That's our news for this time, friends. Please send me any updates you'd like to share, and I'll include them in our next column. Take good care.

## '73

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**Leslie Palmisano Corn** writes: "I have finally decided it is time to catch up with my classmates from Saint Mary's. I have had a life-altering experience this past year that made me want to reach out. I

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**From Mary: Sharon McKernan Gottlieb** writes, "Except for surviving the great 2010 blizzard here in northern Virginia, I really don't have much news at this point. With the craziness of having four teenagers (I got a late start in the marriage department) in the house and all that their activities entail, I have lost touch with Saint Mary's and many of my friends from there. Our family continues to travel a great deal every summer, and I still work with my husband of 22 years, managing his various businesses. I have been richly blessed by the Lord and am extremely thankful."

It was lovely to hear from **Coleen Hogan**, who wrote to let us know that she works as a sign language interpreter in the Circuit Court of Cook County.

Sounds like a lovely time: **Anne Creedon Coon** was joining **Kim Lynch Fry** for a winter's weekend in Colorado along with Anne's youngest daughter, Margaret, who was visiting Anne's daughter, Elizabeth, in Denver. Kim was looking forward to taking Anne skiing and joining the group she guides at Winter Park (or perhaps Anne sat by the fire sipping wine and reading a book, as I would have). Both were looking forward to catching up and remembering life at Saint Mary's.

**Kathi Paterno Knise** writes that she and **Katie Ryan Brady**, **Janet Ryan Grasso**, **Suzanne Rauen Thomas**, and **Mary Collins Johnson** all "mini-reunited" over Columbus Day weekend in October 2009 on Nantucket Island. "The weather

was gorgeous and we had lots of wine, food, and laughs. The spouses all enjoyed each other as much as the classmates," Kathi says.

**Mary Keane Kacher's** daughter, Elizabeth Riley Kacher, was married August 21, 2009, in Johnson City, N.Y., to Maxwell Conklin. Classmates **Colleen Conole Fitzsimmons** and **Pablo Vaughn Maternowski** attended the wedding.

**Sara Morrison Cusick's** husband retired last year from Texas Instruments, and is now teaching school at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Dallas, while Sara has been teaching in the Catholic Diocese of Dallas for 17 years at Mary Immaculate. Her son-in-law, Captain Julian Flores (a USMC pilot), is serving his third deployment overseas, this time in Afghanistan. Their son, James Cusick, finished his tour of duty with the USMC last year, and is now working as a sales rep for Johnson & Johnson. He and his wife, Stephanie, live in Columbia, S.C.

As for me, I have been busy with my novel, *Quest of the Sleeping Princess*, which will be out later this year, published by Aquafire Sulis. It is set in New York's ballet world and explores the work and influence of George Balanchine. I've dedicated this to my mother, **Margaret (Peggy) Vlossak Sheeran '44**. Peggy was secretary in the Sodality of Our Lady, which included the entire student body, and a leading member of the German club. The Sisters of the Holy Cross added Peggy's special intention to their prayers, answered when the midshipman from Notre Dame, Edward Sheeran, finally asked Peggy out, to Mass in South Bend. In those days, Saint Mary's students could not go to Sunday Mass anywhere else, but Sister Magdalita, the German

professor then, arrived on the scene in the Le Mans Hall lobby, took one look at Eddie, whispered to Peggy, "Is he the one?" and at my mother's frantic nod, told the Sister in charge of the dorm, "It's all right, Sister. Let them go. I'll be responsible for whatever happens." As part of "whatever happened," I salute Sister Magdalita and the Sisters of the Holy Cross.

'77

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**From Beth: Lou Anne Catarnella Wincko** has been married to Tony for 30 years. After eight years (1980s to early 1990s) working with Tony at a small restaurant and bar that they owned, Lou Anne is now back with the family business, Catarinel Realty Co., Inc., working in property management. Although no longer in the restaurant business, she still enjoys catering and baking. In addition, she is a wedding coordinator for her church. After graduating from Allegheny College in Meadville, Pa., their daughter, Crystal, married Andy Jones from Coos Bay, Ore., and they now live in Portland, Ore. Crystal works as a

research coordinator in pulmonary care and is in the process of getting her bachelor's degree in nursing. Their son, Anthony, moved back to Pittsburgh after graduating from the University of Tampa, and is going to school to become LEEDS (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) and starting up a "green" commercial construction business.

**Margaret (Meg) Rockey Chambers** moved to Chicago shortly after graduation. She married Tom (Boz) Chambers ND Architect '77. They have three children: Meaghan (Georgetown University '06), Sean (Miami University [of Ohio] '08), and Moira is a freshman at Santa Clara University. Meg has been a financial advisor for 30 years, currently with Wells Fargo Advisors. She and her family love to travel and went back to Italy some years back. While in Rome, they stayed at the Hotel Tiziano (for Saint Mary's grads who were in the Rome Program, that should sound familiar). Unfortunately, Fulvio was nowhere to be found.

**Lori Richardson Eberwein ND '77** was in sales for nine years, and then opened a daycare to be with her children when they were little. She later got her master's in school counseling and a doctorate in education and became a high school guidance counselor, then guidance director in various school districts around Indianapolis. Then she taught part-time at Butler University and IUPUI in Indianapolis. Currently, Lori is working for the Indianapolis Public School System and teaching two graduate classes at IUPUI (an internship class and a counseling theory class). She has two children: David, 20, a sophomore in the architectural program at Ball State, and Nicole, a senior in the Athletic Training and Exercise Program at Indiana University. Although taking Caribbean cruises



## Welcome Home Alumnae

The Alumnae Board of Directors  
invites you and your family to attend an  
on-campus, pre-game Tailgater!

September 11th  
**Notre Dame vs Michigan**  
Dalloway's Clubhouse\*  
10am - Noon

Gather with old friends, professors, meet current students, and enjoy a bowl of chili before heading across the street to Notre Dame. Park at Saint Mary's for only \$20 to benefit our varsity athletic teams. There is an on-campus shuttle available to and from the Notre Dame bookstore.

\*Dalloway's Clubhouse is just south of Nadeleva Hall  
facing the parking fields.

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is her favorite way to relax and have fun, Lori took her 83-year-old grandmother back to Italy to meet her long lost brother. As the siblings were separated at Ellis Island, this family reunion was bittersweet.

**Carol Chiglieri Winchester** went on to Bradley University after graduation from Saint Mary's and got her master's in speech-language pathology. As a speech pathologist, she started her own company over 20 years ago, specializing in performing endoscopy for swallowing disorders. Her company provides this specialized speech pathology service in 18 states. Her daughter, Jeanna, finished her PhD in Complex Brain Systems and specializes in cognitive decline and Alzheimer's disease. She is in her post-doc at University of California Irvine. She has two sons, both in master's programs: Joe received his master's in film at the University of Texas in May 2009, and Tom is expected to finish his master's in art criticism and writing in May 2010 at the School of Visual Arts in New York City. Both were photography majors on the bachelor's level and have commercials and publications under their belts.

**Gail Maggos Sturm** has been married 31 years to Bill Sturm ND '77, with two children: Alexandra, 20, a sophomore now studying in Heidelberg, Germany, with Pepperdine University, and Nick, a three-time varsity athlete and violinist. Gail is a commercial and industrial real estate professional who specializes in professional portfolio advisory services, build-to-suit, brokerage, consulting, and representation for the real estate needs of corporate clients. She serves on numerous boards, many of which are nonprofit organizations that do exceptional things in the world.

**Mary Lanois Kastelic** is currently working on a Rome reunion for the Saint Mary's/Notre Dame group '74 and '75. She was also looking forward to heading to Saint Mary's for the Junior Mom's Weekend to see her 20-year old, Anna '11, a nursing student. Mary's high school junior daughter plans to follow Anna to Saint Mary's and into the nursing field. Mary's former roommate at Saint Mary's, **Jeanne Vonesh Banas**, lives in Illinois and is the principal of a Chicago-area school. She is also a proud grandma to two beautiful little ones. At a recent ND/ Navy game, Mary met up with former Saint Mary's classmates, **Meg Rockey Chambers** and **Mary Mulholland Upjohn**. After the game, they hit an old nostalgic South Bend spot, Rocco's, for pizza.

Mamiella's good works in the South Bend community is amazing. She is a credit to our class. She also has four living children and 20 grandchildren.

**Martha Hanley Keates** writes that she lives in Claremont, Calif. "After 13 years at Scripps College, most recently as vice president for college relations, I joined the consulting firm of Marts and Lundy as senior consultant in 2007. In that capacity, I work with a variety of nonprofit organizations with a focus on private higher education and independent schools," she writes. Her primary voluntary activity is working on behalf of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. She is helping to establish an outreach program for the families of newly diagnosed children. Martha has one daughter, age 15. She married William Voegeli in March, 2008, and classmates **Ellen E. Bussing** and **Lisa Turco** were there to wish her well.

**Ann Andre Stephens** is a dietician and real estate agent, living in Oak Brook, Ill. She and her husband, Paul, have two sons.

**Teresita Valdivia Collins** teaches accelerated seventh-grade math part-time at a Catholic school in Vero Beach, Fla. She also coaches the academic games team at the school and has run an ACT/SAT prep class in Vero Beach for the past several years. She and her husband, Patrick ND '79, have two daughters and one son. Their daughters are both ND graduates and their son is a freshman there this year.

Six children have kept **Colleen (Cokie) O'Brien Scheidler** and her husband, Bill, busy for many years. Cokie is a registered nurse in the emergency room of Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis, and Bill works for New Balance. Their children range in age from seven to 27, and one is married.

**Lenore Bottino Everson** is a physician at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. She does breast cancer research and her expertise is MRIs of the breast. She and her husband, Marshall, have three children and live in Edina, Minn.

**Cheri Petride Miller** of Brecksville, Ohio, is a professor of political science at Cuyahoga Community College in Parma, Ohio. She and her husband, Mark, have two sons who are both in college. Cheri is currently serving as president of the Saint Mary's Cleveland/Akron Alumnae Club.

Chicago is home to **Jane Gardner**, a self-employed nurse consultant who is married to Rick Kash. She received her doctorate in Nursing Practice Degree (DNP) in 2004 from Rush University, and published her dissertation on nephrology in the May/June 2007 issue of *Nursing Journal*. She has one son and one daughter.

**Lynn Hines Petrucci** and her husband, Robert, live in Mechanicsburg, Pa., where Lynn enjoys golf and crafts. They have one college-age daughter who is studying nursing at Pitt.

**Judy Vanderheyden Adamo** is a teacher in the Penn-Harris-Madison School district in Mishawaka, Ind. She and her husband, Patrick, live in nearby Osceola with their three sons.

The last year has been a dream come true for **Pam Nitsos Gruley** and her husband, Bryan ND '79, of Chicago. Bryan just published his first novel, *Starvation Lake*, through Simon and Schuster. It came out in March 2009 and is the first book of a trilogy. They have been traveling the country doing book signings and "reconnecting with old friends and family." Pam works as a nurse in a dermatology practice in Skokie, Ill. They have three grown children. The oldest is a community natural resource advisor with the Peace Corps in Benin, Africa.

**Rosemary Serbent Harry** lives in Killingworth, Conn., where she is a self-employed consultant in

the area of clinical studies and regulatory affairs for medical devices. Rosemary has been widowed since October 2007. She has a 12-year-old daughter.

**Diane Klucka** is director of faith formation for Our Lady of Victory Church and School in Northville, Mich. She holds two masters degrees: in divinity and religious education. She is single.

**Mary Jorda** was sorry to have missed reunion because of a trip to Cambodia to visit her Peace Corps son. Mary lives in Port Saint Lucie, Fla., with her husband, Jerry Hibbard. She is a refugee nurse with the Palm Beach County Department of Health and an adjunct professor at Florida International University. She is also working on her PhD at Florida Atlantic University.

**Claire McCarthy Alexander** lives in Carmel, Ind., where she is an executive account manager with OraPharma, a Johnson & Johnson company. She and her husband, Dr. David Alexander, have a 16-year-old daughter.

**Mary Horninger Bach** is a stay-at-home mom in Edgewater, Md. She and her husband, Brian, have one son who is about to start college.

Students at Immaculate Conception School in Elmhurst, Ill., are lucky to have **Mary Liz Dunne Dudek** as their athletic director. Mary Liz is married to Bill Dudek.

**Judith Schaefer Lichtenberger** lives in Bethlehem, Pa., where she is a medical transcriptionist for Word2Xpressed, and a teacher at Northampton Community College. She and her husband, Michael, have two children and one grandson.

**Jean E. Kyle Fulcher** is a substitute teacher in the Hancock County School in Findlay, Ohio. She and her husband, John, have two children.

**Shelley Meditz Signorelli** lives in Scituate, Mass., where she is a part-time staff accountant with Campbell, DeVasto and Associates. She and her husband, William, have three grown sons.

Facebook isn't just for kids anymore, so **Margaret (Peggy) Walsh Abeln** asks that you look her up there. She lives in Grover, Mo., and works as a part-time sales associate with the McGraw-Hill Publishing Company in their higher education group in St. Louis. She and her husband, Timothy, have three sons: two in college and one in high school.

**Veo Navarre Martin** writes that she is a part-time bookkeeper for Juicy Interiors in Lake Bluff, Ill. She and her husband, Jim, have five sons, ranging in age from 17 to 26. The three oldest graduated from ND. Their fourth son is a freshman at UCLA, and the youngest is still in high school.

**Ann Gattmaitan McSorley** of Deer Park, Ill., is a stay-at-home mom, married to William ND '79. They have two sons and one daughter. The youngest is still in high school, while the oldest graduated from Indiana University in 2009. The middle child is an electrical engineering major at ND.

From the *Courier*: **Colleen O'Brien Scheidler** writes: "Our son, Dr. Matthew Scheidler, was married to Elizabeth (Beth) Ward on June 13, 2009 in Naperville, Ill. Both are ND '01 graduates."

'79

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I hope you enjoyed reading about our classmates in the last edition of *Courier*. I was able to include roughly one-third of the people who responded to our 30th Reunion questionnaire. Because we had such an enthusiastic response, it will probably take this edition and another one to get through everyone.

Congratulations to **Mamiella Chavis Brown**, a retired South Bend schoolteacher who won the Saint Mary's 2008 Humanitas Award. She was also honored with the Rosa Parks Award by the City of South Bend that same year. She is a counselor in Notre Dame's Upward Bound program, the Saint Joseph County Juvenile Facility, and several summer youth programs. She is also director of the after-school African American Tutor program in South Bend. The list of

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**Ann Coryn Lohmuller** reports: "My daughter, Elizabeth Coryn Lohmuller ND '08, was married October 10, 2009 to Cameron Rains ND '06. The

wedding took place in Davenport, Iowa, at the same church Joe ND '81 and I were married in 1982. Several college friends were able to be in town for the festivities, including **Maureen Daly Martin**, **Julie Evans Detmer**, her husband, Marty ND '81, and daughter, Amy, John Gschwind ND '81, and Drew Fairweather ND '81. **Kate Lohmuller '05** was the maid of honor, and cousin, **Molly Pfister '08**, was a bridesmaid. Grandmother, **Mimi Wurzer Coryn '53**, was also there to join in on the fun. It was quite the gathering of Saint Mary's/ND graduates from throughout the years."

From **Marguerite Quinn Zappa**: "**Maggie O'Neill** and her husband, Tom Kane, hosted the three Zappas (me, my husband, John, and our daughter, Anna, who is in sixth grade) for dinner at their house in Silver Spring, Md., while we were visiting Virginia for Christmas break from Chicago. We had the pleasure of meeting her two daughters: Clare, a freshman at Tulane University, and Maeve, who is in high school. We were in Virginia visiting family. My parents, **Rita Spaulding Quinn '53** and Paul C. Quinn ND '53, have moved from Old Town, Alexandria, Va., to a retirement community, Green Spring, in Springfield, Va. My sister, **Irene Quinn Winston '90**, also lives in Springfield, Va., with her husband, Marvin Winston, and their two children: Tilden, a fifth grader, and Madeleine, a second grader. Irene and Marvin hosted us in their new house. My other sister, **Patricia Quinn Murnane '84**, was also in town from the New Jersey/New York City area with her husband, Sam."

From **Madonna R. Shannon**: "I am happy to report that on October 9, 2009 at Saint Monica's Catholic Church, I married Michael Jack Stuart (Air Force Academy '82). It was an amazing way to celebrate my birthday and to begin a new chapter in our lives. **Susie Eckelkamp**, **Christy Frank Murphy**, and **Kelly Chambers Mazeski**, all former Saint Mary's roommates, were readers at our wedding. The group from Saint Mary's and Notre Dame, included Tom Murphy, Conrad Mazeski, **Catherine "C.C." Cantwell Pujals**, and her husband, Pedro Pujals; **Kathy Griffin** and Peter Williams; **Susan Blumer Bergman** and her husband, Greg Bergman; **Michelle Diener Filicichia** and her husband, Dave Filicichia; **Mary Beckman Gordon** and her husband, Michael Gordon; **Patty Meagher Clare** and her husband, Jon Clare; **Eileen Murray Froehlke** and her husband Peter Froehlke; **Terri Albright Cavi** and her husband Pete Cavi; **Patty Kelly McNeill**, and **Mary Hanigan McLean** and **Marguerite Quinn Zappa**. Some of these ladies were able to come to Los Angeles earlier to celebrate my birthday as well. We had a memorable time together and people still talk about my 'wild' college friends who danced the night away."

**Kelly Chambers Mazeski** reports: "I worked for two years on the Obama Presidential Campaign as a member of the Energy and Environment Outreach and Policy Teams and had the time of my life. For the last year, I was on staff for Congresswoman Melissa Bean. Our daughter, Kelsey, is a freshman at Kenyon College in Ohio. Our son, Mack, a high school junior, is now searching for his perfect school."

**Julia Coash Savitsky** writes: "In a nutshell, after graduating I worked for a pharmaceutical company for five years, and I met and married Bob Savitsky in Florida and had three kids in four years: Allison in 1989, Andrew in 1990, and Matthew in 1992. Allison is now a junior nursing major at Saint Mary's, Andrew a freshman at Purdue, and Matt is a junior in high school. My stay-at-home career was as a medical

transcriptionist. I started the business when I was pregnant with Allison and am still in it 21 years later. Ten years ago I was 'given' (literally) a horse after my daughter prayed for her on a Monday night. The next morning, the owner of the horse called and wanted to give her to us as they were closing their barn. The horse's name is 'La Paloma,' which means 'dove' or 'Holy Spirit' in Spanish. My second horse also was given to me and his name is 'Viking Sunrise,' also known as 'Beamer.' When you see the symbol of a sunrise on Easter, what is the connection? So now I have two horses named 'Spirit' and 'Light.' I pursued certification as a therapeutic riding instructor for special needs kids in 2005. In 2006, my husband cashed in most of our retirement and we bought five acres, built a house, and established the Beamer-Paloma Center, LLC, a therapeutic riding center for special needs children. We run it as a ministry (therapeutic riding is very expensive and most insurance does not cover the cost)."

'83

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In the last issue, I tried my best to be dignified while I nagged each of you for news. Okay, maybe to call it "nagging" is a bit extreme. As my kids would say, I *strongly suggested* that you send in your news. That is because—if you're reading this you already know—we *all* like to hear what our old friends from Saint Mary's are doing. So here I go again, *strongly suggesting* that you send in your news. By *you*, I especially mean those who haven't written lately (or, heaven forbid, *ever*). So while you're thinking of it, send me a quick note for next issue. Staying connected with each other is a big part of what makes *our* Saint Mary's community a *community*. I look forward to hearing from *you*. To everyone who sent in news for this issue, thank you so much from *all of us*.

**Eileen O'Connor Cox** writes: "I'm taking you up on your call to write. I have to admit, the first section I always go to is 'Class News,' and I love reading about fellow classmates, their whereabouts, and lives in general." Eileen, her husband, Frank, and their four children live in Ho-Ho-Kus, N.J. Clare is a freshman at Saint Joseph's University in Philadelphia, Christine is a sophomore in high school, Frank III is in eighth grade, and Patricia is in sixth grade. Besides being very busy with her children and volunteering at school, church, etc. (like so many of us), Eileen also works part-time for a medical publisher, which she says she really enjoys. Eileen writes that she is still laughing from her memories of the weekend of our 25th Reunion. She also spent some time over Christmas with her cousin, **Sheila O'Connor-Wagner '82**.

**Mary Silvi Croteau** wrote to me on a quiet Saturday morning from New Hampshire, where she lives in Salem with her husband, Dan, their two sons, Jean-Luc and Blake, and Monty, their yellow lab. Jean-Luc is in the special needs program at their local high school and doing quite well. He participates in buddy ball softball, track, and a theatre group. Blake is in fifth grade and loves to read and usually goes through a few books a week. Mary writes that Blake started playing football this year, and as one of the biggest kids on the team, he played on both the offensive and defensive lines. His team made it all the way to state semi-finals. The Croteau family enjoys

skiing together, hiking, and going to the beach. For the past four years, Mary has been helping Dan get his executive recruiting business up and running. She writes that it was supposed to be temporary until she could get back to teaching. Mary has spent the last year doing the required professional development hours to become recertified as an experienced educator in K-8 and Spanish. Between going to the office, volunteering at her sons' schools, finishing her coursework, and teaching religion at her parish, she's also done some substitute teaching at various grade levels and on various subjects. Mary recently found a long-term assignment at the local Catholic school that Blake attends, teaching sixth- through eighth-grade science, along with eighth-grade literature. She writes that she hadn't realized how much she missed being in the classroom.

"I thought I would shock myself and respond to your challenge to get new classmates to report about themselves," writes **Maria Valdivia Morgan**. "I am living in Vero Beach, Fla., where I have lived since getting married to Bob Morgan in 1986. I have been teaching for the past 26 years, and presently, I teach first grade at the local Catholic school. Bob and I have three sons: Rob ND '11, Ryan, 15, and Scott, 12. We enjoy going back to South Bend for a yearly football game and just returned from a terrific reunion with friends at the Navy game."

From **RoxAnne L. Rochester**: "Thank you for issuing the challenge and encouraging us to email. Like many who have written you, I have not written in the past. After graduating in 1983, I settled in Chicago. I lobbied with a health care association for four years and then went on to law school. I was engaged in private practice for 17 years, 11 of which were spent running my own law firm. Today, I work in the Circuit Court of Cook County. I frequently see **Jeanne Reynolds**, who keeps me informed of our classmates. In addition to my professional work, my husband, Jay, and I were blessed with two boys later in life. When I was 39 years old, we gave birth to John, now nine, and at 40 years old, we welcomed his little brother, Dominic, now seven. I chuckle to read the updates of classmates whose own children are in college. It makes me realize what a long journey we have ahead of us in getting our children ready for their own college experience. We reside in Chicago's West Loop where our children attend the Frances Xavier Warde school at St. Patrick's and Holy Name. Our city residence allows us to spend more time with our children and take advantage of the wonderful parks, museums, theaters, and dining. We have done our share of traveling over the years, including trips to South Bend to walk through the nature trail at Saint Mary's, and yes, back to Notre Dame to attend football games. Though I once thought Notre Dame football was a closed chapter of my life, with two boys, I realize it is here to stay."

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From **Elaine**: Greetings, Classmates. As I write, our 25th Reunion is on the horizon. I just talked with **Mary Ann Heckman-Crowe** as part of my reunion phone calling. She and I share the same birthday, and I did apologize to her for not downing that birthday shot she bought me at Corby's so many

years ago. And, why do I remember that? Anyway, Mary Ann's doing great. She has two boys, Michael, 10, and Patrick, 12. She lives in Kansas City, Mo., and is a practicing attorney at Crowe & Heckman, which has a suspiciously similar name to that of her and her husband. She's enjoying the freedom that the job gives her for her family. The next update I write will be after our reunion, probably celebrating the air conditioning we get as big-time "25ers" in one of the new buildings on campus. Just a pre-word about reunion: if you've not made it back yet, please plan now for our 30th Reunion. I can't tell you (but I'm trying) what great energy and connection comes with re-meeting the women you'll know only by sight, those you remember just a little bit, and some of whom you knew well. You don't need to hook up with a friend to come. Your friends will be there when you show up. Really. The next *Courier* deadline is September, 1, 2010. In the meantime, please join us on our Facebook fan page for Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, Ind., Class of 1985.

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**From Elisa: Jean Steinwachs Childs** is living in Marietta, Ga., with her husband, Steven, daughter, Mackenzie, 10, and son, Ryan, eight. They recently relocated with Delta Air Lines after spending 12 years in Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minn., with Northwest Airlines.

**Liza Wheeland Luhmann** shares the following: "Greetings from Missouri. Things with me and my family are going well now. We had a tough year last year. Our middle child, Anna, was diagnosed with ulcerative colitis, which is an inflammatory bowel disease similar to Crohn's disease. She became sick quite quickly. Thanks to her wonderful doctors and nurses, she was diagnosed promptly and received excellent care. She didn't respond to the typical medications at first, but did respond to a powerful IV medication that alleviated her symptoms within hours of receiving it. Anna was on a regimen of this particular medication every few weeks. Unfortunately, that medicine stopped working, and she required surgical intervention. She had to have three surgeries involving removal of her colon. She is doing great now and is considered cured of her disease. As I learned in my nursing career, and especially from being a mom, kids are so strong and get through things amazingly well, overall. Her older brother, Matthew, and younger sister, Kathleen, were

a huge support to her during all of this. My husband, Mark, and I are so appreciative of my Saint Mary's friends who helped the whole family get through all of this. Thanks to my fellow Saint Mary's College buddies **Anna Gaffney Conway, Andrea LaFreniere Miciano, Elisa Cullina O'Neill, Elizabeth Hughes Boice, Kathy Knych Dapper, and Mary Costa '88** for all of your support, prayers, and friendship. I wish all of my fellow Saint Mary's College classmates much peace, happiness, and health."

**From Christine:** A quick note from **Jeanne Carroll Flanagan**: her oldest son, Sean, a senior at Saint Joseph's High School in South Bend, was accepted to Notre Dame through the early admissions process. She comments there was really no question where he would attend college. She was able to spend some time with **Monica Ragley Pare**, her husband, Mark, and their adorable little girl, Riley, while in Florida over Christmas break. It was so good to catch up with them.

**Margie Kersten** is still working for Ernst & Young and manages training for the Fraud Investigation & Dispute Services practice. She enjoys traveling a bit for work and is based in downtown Chicago, so she also has fun meeting up with **Jeanne Heller-Fisher** and **Margaret Kelly Doyle** for lunch. Facebook has been a fun way for Margie to reconnect with Saint Mary's College friends, too. Her boys are both attending Holy Cross College in South Bend: Patrick, a junior, and Kevin, a freshman. Kevin is enjoying playing rugby for Notre Dame. Her girls, Kersten and Meghan, are finishing their sixth- and eighth-grade years, respectively. Meghan cannot wait to start high school. Margie recently submitted her annulment paperwork and found it amazingly cathartic. "It really helped me connect the dots of why my marriage failed," she notes.

**Dawn Carson Fisher** and her husband of 19 years, Rob, have three children: a daughter, Kinsey, 13, and sons, Drake, 17, and Landon, nine. Dawn works as a senior financial adviser at Key Bank in Elkhart, Ind.

**Jane Akalaitis Falvey** teaches eighth-grade Spanish in the western suburbs of Chicago and is back in graduate school as well. She has a daughter, Katie, who is a high school junior and looking at Saint Mary's.

**Jennifer Hirschfeld Ryan** is living in Framingham, Mass., with husband, Bob Ryan ND Law '90. They have six children: five boys ages 15, 14, 13, 13, and 10, and a daughter, age five. She currently works as the director of admissions at Saint Bridget Catholic Grade School in Framingham. If she is not at work or at home, she can usually be found in a local hockey rink as all six kids play hockey.

**Mary Beth Beauchamp Berry** has a daughter, Lauren, a first-year student at Saint Mary's and loves it. Mary Beth and her family moved to Dallas from Cincinnati over five years ago. After taking Lauren to Saint Mary's College, she confirms that Saint Mary's is still the wonderfully nurturing place we remember. It's been fun for Mary Beth, her husband, and her friends, to relive the college years through her daughter.

**Linda Joerger Cross** also has a daughter at Saint Mary's who is a sophomore.

**Tracie Williams Kerper** and husband, Tim ND '87, live in Anniston, Ala., with their three daughters: Maggie, 16, Samantha, 14, and Anna, 13. They usually make it back for several ND football games and would love to catch up with anyone heading that way in the fall. Her daughter, Maggie, is a junior in high school, so Tracie and Tim are hoping ND or Saint Mary's ends up on her short list.

**Jeanette Friedheim Burdell** lives in South Bend with her husband, Marc ND '87, and their three children: Michael ND '10, Courtney ND '13, and Geoffrey (currently a high school junior, (hopefully ND '15). Jeanette continues her work with the Women's Care Center (crisis pregnancy center), and Marc continues his at the ND Alumni Association. Marc was recently diagnosed with lymphoma, but is doing very well since his initial treatment, thanks to the many prayers from the ND/Saint Mary's community and beyond. They thank you for your prayers as well, and hope to see many at the next reunion.

**Karen Cunningham Nicholson** has made her way back to Italy after her year there in 1984-85 on the Rome Program. Karen and her family (husband, Jeff, Abby, 13, and Eric, 11) are currently living in Florence, Italy for six months, studying, working, learning, enjoying, and traveling. They will return home to Stowe, Vt., in June, to resume their "normal" life.

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**From Karen:** With Olympics just ending as I write this, it seems like a good time to talk about our class athletes. On January 17, **Patrice Jordan** blew away her best time by 25 minutes in the Rock 'N Roll Phoenix Marathon, coming in at 4:11. Congrats, Patrice. **Missy Schrenk Kujawa** ran her first triathlon in November 2004 and has completed many since, but now that her boys—Gregory, 13, Jeffrey, 11, and Christian, nine—are keeping Missy and Greg ND '89 busy with club soccer and baseball, and with Missy coaching track, her triathlon racing is on hold. Greg has been commuting from their Clearwater, Fla., home to New Orleans nearly every week for work, keeping Missy even busier on the home front. She hopes to see her Saint Mary's roommate, **Cara Calzolano Pearsall**, in April 2010 when Cara goes to Disney World for her daughter's cheerleading competition.

In 2007, **Laura Burns Gaffney** and Ned ND '89 moved from Indianapolis to Clearwater, Fla., for Ned's job. He is the chief investment officer for Sagacor Life, Inc., headquartered in Tampa. Laura took a break from practicing medicine for almost three years. After catching her breath from the big move, she got a Florida medical license and returned to an internal medicine and pediatrics practice in March 2009. She practices three days a week and keeps busy volunteering at her children's school and keeping up with Clare, eight, Isabel, six, and Benjamin, four, and their activities.

During an unusually cold period in Florida, Laura wore her Saint Mary's sweatshirt to a meeting at her children's school, Espiritu Santo Catholic School in Safety Harbor, Fla. **Missy Schrenk Kujawa** noticed the sweatshirt and before they knew it, two classmates were reunited. **Noel Raymond Christmann**, Paul ND '89, and family, spent a night with the Gaffney's on their way from Florida to New Orleans, after Christmas. Carrie, 13, and Robert, 10, had a good time with the Gaffney crew.

Sadly, **Jane Eaton Boeschstein's** mom,



Glenda Pruitt Eaton, wife of Jack ND '58 (deceased), passed away unexpectedly on Christmas 2009 in Grand Rapids, Mich. Fortunately, Laura was in Grand Rapids for Christmas and was able to spend a little time with Janie.

Several classmates are on the move: **Kara Cudzilo Nasif**, Mahar, and their two sons, have moved from Kalamazoo, Mich., to Holland, Mich., just a few doors down from her parents. Mahar started a new job in 2008 and the over one-and-a-half-hour commute (each way) got old fast, so they moved in with her parents last summer and have been house hunting since. I'm sure the Nasifs will enjoy having their own home again.

**Martha Flick Jungenberg** will soon be trading in Chicago living for the Foreign Service life. Her husband, Todd, has passed all his tests, received his top secret security clearance, and accepted a job as a diplomat with the U.S. State Department. The Jungenbergs' first stop will be the Washington, D.C. area. While Todd began his training in mid-February, Martha and their three girls, Sophie, Grace, and Emmalee, will stay in Chicago to finish out the school year. They plan to move to Falls Church, Va., in July. Early 2011 will find them moving overseas to Trinidad for two to three years before moving again. Todd can retire after 20 years. While overseas, Martha is going to be working for Taher Kameli of Chicago-based Chicagoland Foreign Investment Group, LLC, setting up offices wherever the family is posted, conducting seminars, and looking for foreign investors as part of EB-5—an immigrant investor visa category that was created in the Immigration Act of 1990 with the hopes of attracting foreign capital to the U.S. and creating jobs for American workers in the process. It's a perfect fit for Martha and the foreign service lifestyle.

Also overseas is **Molly Meyer Belin**. Molly and George—a U.S. Army officer working with NATO, and their three children, Emily, 15, Tyler, 13, and Olivia, nine, moved to Madrid, Spain, in summer 2010. Their kids attend the American school and they are enjoying life and taking advantage of the opportunity to travel Europe.

Unexpected change can lead to great things as **Rose Pietrzak Carter** found out. Last March, Rose faced the reality that her position at Georgia Southern had been eliminated. But, thanks to a great president, VP, and athletics director, she was moved into a position as assistant sports information director without any break in pay or service. At the end of November 2009, her boss left to take a new position, and she was promoted to sports information director in December. She never thought she would be back working in athletics, but has found it great in so many ways. She says, "My Saint Mary's education continues to pay off—not only in terms of knowledge, but in being adaptable, forward thinking, and goal oriented—qualities instilled at Saint Mary's College. There is so much potential to grow, learn, teach, and stretch, and I am looking forward to what opportunities can be created here." Congrats, Rose.

**Elizabeth "Booey" Devereux** continues to love living in San Francisco and just completed working on the film, *Percy Jackson and the Olympians—The Lightning Thief*, as a supervisor for 1492 Pictures. She loved the reunion and can't wait for the 25th.

**Theresa Kress Marks** continues to love the tropical life in Kihei, Hawaii, with her husband, Gary, and three children, Skylar, 13, Annabel, 11, and Shawn, six. Theresa homeschools her kids with the help of a part-time teacher, who also happens to be a filmmaker. Theresa's girls are very happy

with this lifestyle and love having the free time to pursue musical and creative endeavors, including making and acting in short "movies." Shawn's musical instrument of choice is the drums. Good luck, Theresa.

Every summer of the 10 years they've lived on Hawaii, the Marks have traveled to the mainland to see family and friends. Last summer, they road tripped to Virginia and saw **Janel Hamann Vanek**, her husband, Phil, and Kathryn and Christopher in Ashburn, Va. Janel's and Theresa's children are close in age and had a great time together.

If anyone is interested in checking out Theresa's life in the tropics, you can read her blog at <http://treesfam.blogspot.com/>.

## '91

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**From Becky:** Greetings, Class of 1991. If you haven't already done so, please join us on Facebook. The class has a dedicated group called "St Mary's College Class of 1991—*Courier* Updates—with over 100 members. It's a great way to get back in touch with friends and classmates. Typically, I will take postings from the group board and publish them here for everyone to read. If for some reason I've missed your post, please resend it. I feel like I'm missing someone's post.

**Tara Kearney Lubin** writes that she is married to Peter Lubin and lives in Wilmette, Ill. She is the mother of two kids, Tess, 12, and Dylan, 10. **Kathleen "KC" Carretta Vitaniemi** writes that she and her husband are living outside of Toledo, Ohio. KC is an active mom to Brennan, seven, and Patrick, six. She keeps busy with her kid's school and activities. Before moving to Ohio, they were living in South Carolina.

**Anne Parker Baker** is very optimistic that her niece will be attending Saint Mary's in Fall 2010 as a member of the first-year class. We will keep our fingers crossed, Annie.

**Deb Rybarczyk Pacer** and her husband live in Toledo, Ohio, where she is currently in her 19th year teaching first grade. She is the mommy of Benjamin, 9, and Michael, 6. She keeps in touch with her roomies, **Linda Garrett Callanan**, **Jen Guiltinan Urbach**, and **Maggie Danneker Temeles**. **Heather Maverick Rubsamen** is living in her hometown of San Antonio, Tex. She recently completed her master's in science for psychology, and started a nonprofit counseling group that focuses on children, couples, and families. She has two boys, ages nine and six.

**Tracey Pinter Valasek** is married to Ken and lives in the Chicago area. She teaches grade school and is the mom to Alaina, three, and Julia, one. She stays in touch with **Renee Shelleny Sherman**, **Molly Bridges Williams**, **Katie Moore Briggs**, and **Maura Burns**. **Kristin Wiggins Williams** is married to Pete and has five children, ranging in ages from 15 years to 15 months. Michael Tyler, the baby, was born October 19, 2008. The Wiggins family calls Charlotte, N.C., home. **Kelly Krauser Knott** is

married to Stewart and lives in northern Virginia. She works in Washington, D.C. as a lobbyist for a trade association. She has three kids: Carson, five, and twins Halle and Kendall, 16 months. She lives near **Ann Patzke Gray**, who has a son named Avery. Kelly also keeps in touch with **Beth Pollack Meleski** who lives in New Jersey and who has three kids, the youngest was born on Christmas Day.

**Margaret Ray Elliott** is married to Ron and lives in Grand Rapids, Mich. Kelly is currently the president of the Grand Rapids Junior League and sees several Saint Mary's alumnae through her participation with the club. She's been working for Key Impact, a food broker, for 13 years and she has two kids, Cade, nine, and Peyton, six. I received an email from **Anne-Marie Strzelecki Kennedy**. She and her husband, Jason, welcomed their first child, Duncan Thomas, in October 2009. Anne Marie is a freelance writer.

**Michelle DeLee Hamilton** gave birth to daughter, Holly Lucille, on May 14, 2009. She is the third child for Michelle and Mark. Abigail is 10 and Lauren is eight. Mark is Saint Mary's golf coach, and Holly was born the week the Saint Mary's team was competing in the Division III NCAA Golf Championship. Holly's middle name, which up to that point was undecided, was inspired by where the championship was held: Port St. Lucie, Fla. Mark made it home 30 minutes before her birth and flew out the next morning to finish the tournament.

**Krista Heubusch** writes that quite a bit has happened to her in a very short time. She is working part-time for AutoUpLinkUSA as the director of operations. She also owns a skating school in Virginia called Skaters Quest. In her "spare" time, she manages a speed skating team. She met her husband, Keith, while coaching an in-line team that was racing for Skater for Team in Training, a nonprofit that raises funds for blood-related cancers. Keith is a cancer survivor. He and Krista were married in October 2008 and welcomed their first baby, Alexander Gray, in April 2009. **Anne Korson May** and **Elizabeth LaPres Roodbeen** attended Krista's wedding.

**Patty Saccone Stich** writes that she's living in Naperville, Ill., with her husband and three kids, Morgan, 10, Jack, eight, and Emily, six. She teaches health information technology at Waubesa Community College. She also enjoys competing in various swimming and running events. She finished Ironman Wisconsin in September 2009 and planned to compete in the Escape from Alcatraz Triathlon in May 2010. **Shawna Rheume Hatton** is living in California and is a professional photographer and artist. She owns Kiwi Creative Photography and Design and her work is shown around the local area.

**Danielle Graham** is living in New York City and is working as a financial advisor with Merrill Lynch. She talks to **Kathleen "KC" Carretta Vitaniemi** on a daily basis, still after all these years. **Colleen Marie Walsh** lives in Atlanta with her husband, Cody. They both work for Turner Broadcasting. Colleen is also a professional photographer. You can visit her web site at [www.colleenwalsh.com](http://www.colleenwalsh.com). She is the proud mother of Mary Catherine (Cate), born on July 28, 2009.

As for me, at this writing, I am holding down the fort solo (with the two kids) while my husband, Jay, has been deployed to Haiti with the Air Force for the last month. While he was working to reopen the Port au Prince Airport, I was shoveling through 71 inches of record-breaking New Jersey snow. Some guys get all the luck.

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**From Jennifer: Libby Gray** has moved back to her hometown of South Bend and to our alma mater. She started in August 2009 as the director of development for Saint Mary's.

**Jennifer Danahy Stewart** gave birth to Darby Marie on February 2, 2010, in Plano, Tex. Darby joins sister, Lizzy, 10 and brother, Liam, nine.

**Molly Walsh Morgan** is a stay-at-home mom to Sean, eight, and Ryan, six. Last August, she and her husband, Brendan, moved back to Cary, N.C., from Medina, Ohio, where they had lived for seven years. They are glad to be back in the sunny South. They recently got together with **Robin Cochrane Yacovetta** and her family. They came over from Charlotte so that Robin, Brendan, and Molly could run in the Krispy Kreme Challenge at North Carolina State (run two miles, eat a dozen doughnuts, run two miles back). They didn't make it through the dozen doughnuts, but had a great time.

**Liz Janz Wardinski** and her husband, Andy, welcomed their first baby, Matthew Patrick. Liz, Andy, and Matthew live in Geneva, Ill.

**Ellen Lanigan Callaghan** and her husband, Rob, welcomed their little girl February 17, 2009. Ella Rose just turned one and is busy trying to keep up with her three brothers, Kevin, five, and twins, Liam and Jack, three. Ellen is currently staying home with the kids and selling real estate from her home office. They were really looking forward to making a trip to Disney World and to escaping all the Chicago snow.

**Vidya Ramsamooj** lived and worked for 13 years in Rome, moved back to the United States (Los Angeles) in 2007, and is now in New York City. She currently works in marketing for the Gilt Groupe.

**Erin Hardin** started a new position as an inclusion strategist in the New Orleans area public schools. She trains and consults with both general and special education teachers as they move to more inclusive educational environments for students with special needs. She returned from China in September 2009 with the latest addition to their family. She and her husband, Robert, adopted Hudson David Hardin Meyn at age five. He was warmly welcomed by big brothers, Walker and Murphy, 10, and little sister Lola, four. Hudson has adjusted very quickly to his new family, new school, and new obsession with hamburgers. Erin also is on the board of directors as the child advocate for The Red Thread Promise,

a nonprofit organization serving the medical needs of orphans in Haiti and China. She planned to lead a humanitarian trip to Haiti in March 2010 to better assess the needs of the children. If anyone wants to be part of upcoming weeklong rebuilding or medical mission trips to Haiti, feel free to email Erin at [erin@redthreadpromise.org](mailto:erin@redthreadpromise.org).

**Angela Gallo-Penn**'s family just recently relocated to Thousand Oaks, Calif., from Maryland. It was a big move for them and a big change, but they are adjusting well. She is currently at home with their kids, Ellie, seven, and Aidan, five. Angela has been volunteering at Ellie's school, which has been a wonderful way to get to know other students and parents. Angela looks forward to joining her local Saint Mary's College club and getting together with other alumnae in the area.

**Maria DeRosa-Bellahcen** has been married for 12 years and has three sons, ages nine, five, and one month. She is teaching Italian part-time and Spanish to home-schooled children during the day. She recently worked on a translation project for a Vatican exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles of the world. She is on Facebook and would love to stay in touch.

**Julie Marsh Deischer** started selling Tastefully Simple, delicious versatile and easy-to-make food products. Classmates, **Jennifer Lovechio Wozniak** and **Maureen Richerson Parlier** are both customers. Julie's son, Robert, 10, is in fourth grade, and Emily, eight, is making her First Communion this year.

**Stefanie Olech Roach** is enjoying her job as principal of an elementary school in Houston, Tex., taking ski trips with her Siberian Huskies, and catching up with friends on Facebook.

**Hollye Harrington Jacobs** is in the process of moving from Chicago to Santa Barbara, Calif. She and her husband, Jeff, have a four-year-old daughter, Finley. She is honored to sit on the Saint Mary's College Board of Trustees. Additionally, she is a nurse, social worker, and is currently the vice president of programs for the Dream Foundation, the first and oldest wish-granting program for people 18 and over who are suffering life-threatening illness ([dreamfoundation.org](http://dreamfoundation.org)).

**Patricia Cody** completed her PhD in social work at the University of Texas (UT) at Austin in 2007 and is currently working as a post-doctoral fellow at UT focusing on issues in child welfare and special-needs adoptions.

**Gina Pavoni Daly** and her husband, Matt, will celebrate their eleventh wedding anniversary on May 15, 2010. In 11 years, they have lived in Columbus, Ohio; Reston, Va.; and Cincinnati, Ohio (currently), due to Matt's career as an engineer for Honda of America. Gina loves being the stay-at-home mom of two daughters, Emily, five, and Sophia, three.

**Molly Cain Milton** writes that **Erin C. Foley** and husband, Tom, welcomed their second child, Patrick, on October 19, 2009.

**Julie Leonard** recently completed her PhD in French history from Marquette University and has begun writing her first historical novel based on the research she did for her dissertation.

**Lisa Campione Mullen** started her own health/wellness business in March of 2009 and has an affiliation with various physicians nationally, such as Dr. William Sears and Dr. Katz. Her focus has been on children's health and she has been doing health education classes to parents and children. Her website is [www.17fruits-veggiesjuiceplus.com](http://www.17fruits-veggiesjuiceplus.com). Also,

she planned to host a reception for accepted students in March 2010 for Class of 2014 students.

**Jennifer Van Tassell Green** and her husband, Aaron, welcomed Jackson Andrew Green on April 24, 2009. Three-year-old Lucy loves being a big sister. Jennifer is still working part-time as an audit analyst for a small Portland company, but her favorite time is spent being a mom.

**Katurah Elleman Mindock** gave birth to her third child. Ian Francis was born at home on January 27, 2010. Big sister, Lacey, five, and big brother, Alan, three, are very happy to have a new sibling. Katurah is enjoying staying home with her children and homeschooling them. Her husband, Joseph ND '92, enjoys his work as a computer consultant for CSG in Chicago.

**Anne-Marie Schommer Miller** and husband, Mike, recently welcomed their fourth child into their family. Madeleine Joan was born February 6, 2010. Their other three children include Lexi, nine, Michaela, six, and AJ, four. Mother and Maddie are healthy and both doing well.

**Colleen Gorman Maloney** and husband, Matt, are enjoying their four children. Cali was born in November 2008. Eddie is now four, Sean, six, and Maura, seven.

**Mary Pat Sullivan Halpin** lives just outside of Cincinnati in Burlington, Ky, with husband, Patrick, and sons, Noah, nine, and Ian, four.

**Alison Spohn Kavulich** wed husband Larry at Saint Mary's in Holy Spirit Chapel in 2008 and soon started their family. Emma was born in May 2009. Emma enjoys joining mom for book clubs with her local alumnae club.

**Jennifer Jermano Miller** is enjoying her time as a stay-at-home mom to Saverio, five, and Sabrina, four. After recently completing a year as president of her local Junior League, she is now sitting on the Association of the Junior Leagues International Nominating Committee. She also keeps very busy at her local community theatre as well as volunteering at her children's school. Jennifer, her husband, Joe, and family, live just west of Chicago in Indian Head Park, Ill.

**Gretchen Flicker** is the vice president with Dimensional Fund Advisors and has a beautiful home near the beach in Santa Monica, Calif.

**Christina Siglinde Vellucci** and her husband, Dennis McDonald ND '93, had baby number four. Lachlan was born on January 6, 2010. Other children are Andreas, six, Adelaide, four, and Declan, two. They have lived in Charlotte, N.C., since 2004.

**Christine Smiggen** is currently living in Plymouth, Mich. and is vice president with Charter FS, LLC.

'95

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Hello Class of 1995. As we celebrate 15 years since graduation, I have to wonder where the time has gone. Thanks to everyone for the updates. As a reminder, the next *Courier* update is due August 25, 2010. Feel free to email me or contact me on Facebook. Also, if you are on Facebook, please join the "Saint Mary's College Class of 1995" group, administered by **Maureen Buckley Everling** (when she is not busy with her new baby or digging out of the east coast snow storms this winter). Maureen

and her husband, Larry, welcomed Joseph Declan Everling (Declan), who was born on February, 16, 2010. Declan joins big sisters, Colleen and Lauren.

**Jennifer Failla** and her husband recently welcomed another little boy to their family. She writes, "We welcomed Nicola Failla Hoffman into our home on November 15, 2009. He is a pure joy, and big brother, Noam, is as happy as can be."

The class of 1995 recently welcomed four sets of twins. **Jennifer Plemich Nicholas** reports that she and her husband, Mike, welcomed twin boys. "Noah Christopher and Ryan Michael were born on March 30, 2009. Their big sister, Julia, has been great with them as she thinks that she wished for them. We have a lot of explaining to do when she figures out that she didn't really have much to do with it. In any case, we have had a great year with them. They are a barrel of laughs, especially on very little sleep," Jennifer says.

**Seanne Patrick Buckwalter** notes, "My husband, Pat, and I are happy to announce the birth of our twin sons, Jacob Patrick and Charles Patrick. They were born on October 21, 2009. Jake weighed 6lbs., 14oz., and was 19 inches long. Charlie weighed in at 4 lbs., 11 oz., and was 18 inches long. We have been truly blessed."

**Elizabeth Clarke Behrmann** shares some twin news as well. "My husband and I have been living in the Boston area for the past 10 years. I have been enjoying my career in health care at Massachusetts General Hospital. On April 17, 2008, we welcomed our first babies into the world, twin boys, Nathan Charles and Thomas Henry," Elizabeth writes. She is having lots of fun with their two toddlers while continuing to work part-time.

**Maggie Hellrung Haslam** writes: "My husband, Andy, and I welcomed identical twin girls this past fall. Lilah Suzanne and Phoebe Margaret Haslam were born September 1, 2009. Their older brother, Drew, is adjusting nicely, but confuses them constantly."

**Katie Northup Smith** and husband, Brooken, welcomed their first child, Abby, on December 30, 2009. Katie says, "I keep telling people that I wish I could be modest, but we just think she is perfect."

**Hilary Humm Beatty** and her family recently moved. She writes, "My husband, Bill, and I moved to Ottawa, Ontario Canada in the summer of 2008. He is stationed here with the USAF and is working with Canadian Forces. We welcomed our second child, William Paul Beatty, to our family on September 6, 2009. Our daughter, Mary, is a very excited big sister. I am currently not practicing veterinary medicine and have chosen to stay home with our kids for the time being."

**Kellie Jo Borzenski West** writes: "My husband, Mark, and I are happy to announce the arrival of Noah Patrick West to our family. He joins his five-year-old sister, Emmie Grace. He was born on December 18, 2009—a true Christmas gift. He is wonderful and I am enjoying an extended maternity leave. I will complete the school year when I return to work as a library technology specialist at the end of March 2010, and then look forward to a summer of family and fun. We are so very blessed."

**Katie Gisch Ogilvie** and her husband, Don, welcomed their second child, Nathaniel Francis, to their family on November 1, 2009. Katie says, "Big sister, Madeline, three, is thrilled with her little brother, and I am enjoying being home with them."

**Elizabeth Fennell Austin** shares, "I added another girl to the family on November 4, 2009. Ursula Adelaide joined big sisters, Maura Metts, four-and-a-half, and Evelyn, two. Looks like Saint Mary's has three future students."

**Audrey Comrie-Dormanen** writes, "The last seven months have been a whirlwind of terrific things for me and my family. For starters, we welcomed the birth of our second child, Julia Fray Dormanen, on July 16, 2009. Julia is absolutely delicious and her big sister, Claire, who will be three in April, adores her. Julia arrived two days after moving into our temporary apartment, after the sale of our townhouse in Chicago's Lakeview neighborhood. Happily, we only lived in our temporary apartment for two months before moving to our house in Oak Park, Ill. We are settling in nicely to life outside of the city limits. And just to keep life interesting, after returning from maternity leave in October to Conde Nast Digital, I decided to make a job move to WebMD. I continue to sell digital advertising and integrated marketing programs. Quite a lot going on here, but all great things that we feel truly blessed to have happen. Here's hoping things will be quiet around here for a while."

**Molly Ryan Carson** has received a promotion with Ryan Companies. She and her husband, Mike, moved their family to Phoenix, Ariz. in January 2010. They are enjoying it and she was able to get in touch with fellow Saint Mary's alum, **Karen Damaso '96**, in March. Mike continues to paint and shows his art at a fourth gallery, which is in Sag Harbor, N.Y.

'97

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**From Amy:** Bonjour. I hope this finds you all doing well and having a good 2010. I am writing you in early March, at the beginning of our spring break. I am so grateful for the time off—the semester has been a busy one.

We spent the holidays in Illinois with my family and enjoyed a five-week (yes, *five*) winter break. This semester, I'm teaching three sections of French 102, and Ignacio is teaching three different courses, including one on *Don Quijote*. We're still trying to figure out our summer plans—hopefully, some form of travel will be included.

Well, I don't have much else to report from my end, so I'll start right in with updates from our classmates. Prepare yourself a glass of iced tea or lemonade, sit back, and enjoy.

In July 2009, **Genifer Tarkowski** and her husband, L.T. Timothy Parr, left Washington D.C., and moved to Naples, Italy. She said that the summer was a whirlwind, however, they are thrilled to live in Europe and look forward to traveling. She writes, "Currently, we are acclimating to the region, settling into jobs, and taking time to enjoy the cuisine (with a little *vino*, of course). While in Naples, I will continue to serve as a civilian attorney with the Department of the Navy's Office of General Counsel. Hopefully, my two semesters of Italian from Saint Mary's will help us traverse the challenges and highlight the joy of living overseas."

A few months later, in late November 2009, **Christine Riesenberger Davis** walked in her second Susan G. Komen Three-Day Walk for the Cure. Her team of eight ("Team Safe at Second") walked 60 miles over a three-day period in San Diego and raised more than \$20,000. They are already making plans to participate in 2010 and are busy fundraising for the event.

I recently heard from **Jill Reidinger Cole**. She writes, "Things are great here. I am back in Louisville, Ky. I am still teaching, but I have become a reading specialist for the public school system in Louisville. I

work mainly with first-grade students. I love it. I have an 11-month old, Tanner, so the job change came at the perfect time. Not quite as much stress as being in the classroom. I actually just got back from South Bend where I met up with **Chris Knych Ugo**, **Emily Unger France**, and **Melissa Fuze McMasters**. We had a girls' weekend and stayed at the Hilton near campus. It was great to be back." Congratulations, Jill, on the birth of Tanner. Many other classmates also welcomed little ones recently.

**Megan Borchers Monahan** wrote of her good news: "I had a little girl in March 2008 (Mary Claire). So now our family includes Timbo, age six, Mikey, age four, and Mary Claire, age one. Now I am teaching seventh-grade Language Arts at the Catholic school where we will send our kids."

A few months later, **Maria McCauley VonderBrink** and her husband welcomed a new daughter into their family. Maria writes, "In October 2009, I gave birth to my sweet baby, Katherine Ann. She is such a wonderful baby. Her big brother, Matthew (who just turned four years old in January), and big sister, Elizabeth, two and a-half-years old, adore her. We have all enjoyed having a new baby in the house. I am still working as a pediatric nurse and living in the San Francisco Bay area. I am currently on maternity leave, but will return to work in the spring at Oakland Children's Hospital as a recovery room nurse. I am so lucky to have such a wonderful job and my mom, who watches my three kids while I work two days a week."

**Aimee Heimann Allison** and her husband, Doug ND '97, welcomed their daughter, Aine Hattie Allison, on November 22, 2009. Aimee writes that big brothers, Cavanaugh, six, and Teigen, three, "are thrilled to have her, too. They are very cute with her. I'm enjoying my time with the kids. I plan on returning to my job as a high school librarian after maternity leave. It's hard to believe that Cav is a first grader and Teigen is starting preschool in a few weeks. We keep busy with all their activities."

**Molly Schleeter Bell** writes about two other November 2009 births as well as other classmate news. "I was in Kansas City last month to visit **Lindsey Friend Moloney** and to help out with her new baby, Declan Patrick. He was born on November 10, 2009. He joins big brother, Cormac. We were lucky to attend the Kansas City Saint Mary's Club's annual afternoon tea together. It was fun to connect with some fellow Saint Mary's alums. Lindsey is enjoying her time with the boys before she heads back to her elementary music teaching job in February. We also got together with **Meg Cernok O'Connor** and her husband, Rob, at a Notre Dame game last fall. They just welcomed their first baby, Kathryn Margaret, on November 16, 2009. We're hoping to meet her soon. Meg is heading back to her marketing job at FTD Floral in Chicago in early March. We're doing well. Nothing new to report for our family."

**Emily Bochy Fenton** and her husband, Luke, welcomed their first child on February 24, 2010. Emily writes, "Samuel Paul Fenton was born this morning (two days early) at 4:02 GMT. He weighs 9 lbs., 9 oz., and is 52cm. long. A big, beautiful, healthy baby boy. Thank you, God."

Congratulations to all who have welcomed new little ones into your families recently—cherish every moment.

And with that, our report comes to a close. A thank you to all who sent updates this time. Remember, our deadlines are September 1 and March 1. Please send me your news at least a few days before the



deadline, and if you send it via Facebook, please specify that you would like me to include it in the *Courier*. I wish you all a wonderful summer. May it be filled with joy, happiness, and good health. Take good care and *à bientôt, mes amies*.

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**From Jennifer:** Hello Class of 1999. After nine years of teaching in the Archdiocese of Chicago, I am now teaching in the Chicago Public Schools. In September 2009, I began teaching fifth-grade language arts at Ray Elementary in Hyde Park.

**Kate Suwalski Hartnett** and her husband, Lawrence, live in Morton, Ill., with their son, Tyler, 2. Since graduating from Saint Mary's, she has worked for Deloitte and Touche, and Caterpillar, Inc.

**Jennifer D'Arcy Ness** and her husband, Randy, live in Coal City, Ill., with their two children, Nolan John, four, and D'Arcy Mae, three. In addition to teaching for the Coal City Unit District One, Jennifer also is a realtor. She received her master's from Governor's State University in Education Administration in 2005.

**Nicole Pascua** lives in Marina Del Rey, Calif., and teaches for Animo Leadership High School in Inglewood, a member of the Green Dot Public Schools. In 2004, she graduated cum laude from Pepperdine University in the Graduate School of Education and Psychology.

**Elizabeth Wisniewski Ramos** and her husband, Michael ND '98, live in Indianapolis. Elizabeth teaches at Cardinal Ritter High School. She is the English Department chair and junior high coordinator. In 2007, she received the Saint Theodore Guerin Excellence in Teaching Award. This past June, she graduated from the University of Notre Dame with her master's in educational leadership.

**Andi Sandven Schwartz** and her husband, Richard ND '99, live in Germany. She works as an oncology registered nurse at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, U.S. Department of the Army.

**Courtney Wagner Kelly** and her husband, John, live in Chicago with their two daughters, Carlin Mary, three, and Shea Elizabeth, one. Courtney received her master's in library science and communication media education from Chicago State University in 2003.

**Joanne Wagner Schau** and her husband, Chad, live in Buchanan, Mich., with their son, Brady, who was born on April 20, 2009. In 2001, she received her master's in education from ND. Currently, she is a high school physics and biology teacher, and she coaches men's and women's varsity soccer, and eighth-grade girls' basketball.

**MaryLiz Tully Lehman** and her husband, Peter, live in Chicago with their daughter, Madeleine Tully Lehman, who was born on September 21, 2008. She opened Perchance Boutique, a high-end women's shoe, clothing, and accessory boutique, on Southport in Chicago's Lakeview neighborhood. All Saint Mary's alumnae enjoy 10 % off in the store or online [www.perchanceboutique.com](http://www.perchanceboutique.com) when they enter code smc10.

**Moir Lanigan** and her husband, Jarrett Joyce, live in Chicago. They have four children Helen, four; Micky, three; Maggie, two; and Brendan, who was born on December 30, 2008.

**Kelly Deeney Roberts** and her husband, Trey Roberts, live in Minneapolis. She is a senior project manager for Carmichael Lynch.

**Vanessa Indriolo** lives in Cincinnati, Ohio, where she works as a private equity director for Fifth Third Bank Corporation.

**Libby Blackman Hessley** and her husband, Bernie, moved back to their hometown of Warren, Pa., in 2006. Libby is the director of admissions for Golden Living Center-Kinzua, a local nursing home. They both work closely with Habitat for Humanity and Relay for Life.

**Jennifer D'Anastasio** and her husband, Jeffrey, live in Eagan, Minn., with their son, Emmett, who was born on May 23, 2008. She works as an investment writer for Ameriprise Financial. In 2000, she graduated from Northwestern University with a master's in journalism.

**Monica Cernanec Morin** and her husband, Joel, live in Denver with their four children, Jonah Malachi, seven; Caeli Ann, five; Elijah Levi, two; and Josiah Isaac, who was born at their home on June 16, 2009.

**Rita Klein Taylor** and her husband, Chris, live in Champaign, Ill. Rita works on the surgical floor at the Carle Foundation Hospital and is also a preceptor and orients new nurses to the floor. In 2000, she graduated from Eastern Illinois University with a master's in biological sciences. In 2005, she graduated from the University of Illinois at Chicago with a bachelor's in nursing.

**Mary Hubert** lives in Canton, Mich., and teaches first grade for the Wayne-Westland Schools. In 2002, she graduated from Michigan State University with a master's in curriculum and teaching.

**Alison Buysee West** and her husband, Ben, live in Frisco, Tex., with their one-year-old daughter, Ellie Peyton. Alyson is a realtor for Ebby Halliday.

**Kendra Holmes Calabria** and her husband, Dave ND '96, live in Madison, N.J., with their sons, Connor Nicholas, five, and Andrew Sebastian, three. Kendra has taught full-day kindergarten for 10 years. Throughout her teaching career, she has won three grants (one Phizer, two district). In 2003, she completed her special education endorsement at Jersey City University.

**Jennifer Love Kress** and her husband, Ben, live in Mishawaka, Ind., with their two sons, Broderick "Brody" Nolan, three, and Sullivan "Sully" Joseph, one. As a stay-at-home mom, Jennifer is a very active member of Living Stones Church. She enjoys volunteering in the nursery and cooking meals for new moms. She is also a member of Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) at Trinity Evangelical Free Church, where she serves on the Hospitality Committee.

**Susan Dunne** lives in Evanston, Ill. After leaving

private equity, she managed a video games store. When they were bought out, she took the opportunity to scale down. Primarily, she currently works as a nanny for one family, although, she also tutors AP and SAT tests, as a sideline. She is also fortunate enough to be involved with WLWU, her favorite Indy station.

**Kelly Galassi Gilbert** and her husband, Dave, live in Romeoville, Ill., with their two children, Ryan David, seven, and Grace Eleanor, two. Kelly is a principal at A. Vito Martinez Middle School in Romeoville. In 2001, she graduated from Saint Xavier University with her master's in education administration. She was named the Principal of the Year in 2008.

**Holly Arends Murphy** and her husband, Matt, live on the Maine coast. In 2005, she graduated from Birthwise Midwifery School as a certified professional midwife specializing in home births. Then, she opened her practice, Birch Moon Midwifery. She is also a faculty member at Birthwise Midwifery School.

**Julie Byrdak Jaworski** and her husband, John, live in LaGrange Park, Ill. She is an executive assistant at East Balt Inc.

**Angela Pompili Litvak** and her husband, Stanley, live in Melbourne, Fla., with their two daughters, Aliza Louise, three, and Ella Lelia, one. In

## CLASSCLIPS



Maureen Phillips Murphy '71 celebrated the wedding of her son on September 26, 2009. Other Saint Mary's alumnae in attendance included her daughter Shea Murphy Browning '02, her friend from Saint Mary's Maureen Walsh Fender SMC '72, Jenny Wejman '99 and Sara Levandusky Reintaler '99.

2003, she graduated from dental school from Case Western Reserve University. She works as a dentist for Christie Dental.

**Ann-Marie Roche** lives in Chicago and works for CNA Insurance as a project manager for their financial reporting system.

**Kelly McGannon** lives in McLean, Va., and works as an analyst for the U.S. government. In 2002, she graduated from Yale University with a master's in religion. In 2006, she graduated from Princeton University with a master's in art history. She is still working on her PhD. From 2002-04, she taught in the Humanistic Studies Department at Saint Mary's as a visiting lecturer and taught a self-defense class at the college, too.

**Megan Finegan Daley** and her husband, Martin, live in Oak Lawn, Ill., with their one-year-old twins, Abigail Rosemary and Quinn Finegan. Megan is a school psychologist for the Chicago Public Schools.

**Chrissy Bartle Meko** and her husband, Justin

ND '99, live in Suffolk, Va., with their one-year-old son, Connor Robert.

**Brooke Lawrence** married Lyle Smart on June 20, 2009 at the Church of Loretto. Saint Mary's attendants were matron of honor **Jen D'Anastasio**, **Mary Wisniewski Serrahn '01**, **Kelly Cooper-Chu '98**, and **Sharon Hylek**.

**Carolyn Lateulere Kane** just started working for a Cleveland software company as a product evangelist. In addition to loving her company, she also loves the title.

**Sara Levandusky Reinthaler** and her husband, Brian ND '99, were in Chicago for the wedding of Dave Murphy ND '99 on September 26, 2009. It was great to see them along with other Notre Dame friends.

**Katie Ryan Dehmer** and her husband, Tom ND '99, came to Chicago for the wedding of Ryan Powell ND '99 on February 20, 2010. The Dehmers live in Dallas with their three daughters. Harper Amelia and Lauren Marie were born May 19, 2009, and Anna Elizabeth is three.

**Jeanine Weigel Pickering** and her husband, John, welcomed Olivia Reed Pickering on December 15, 2009.

**Libby Rector Snipe** and her husband, Chris, welcomed Amelia Charlotte Snipe (Millie) on October 1, 2009.

On May 5, 2009, **Holly Arends Murphy** married Matthew, editor of *WoodenBoat* Magazine, and the love of her life. In attendance were **Jean-Marie McMorran** and **Elisabeth Krick**. On October 22, 2009, they welcomed a 7 lb., 6 oz., little boy named Linus Arends Murphy. He is a delight. Holly is still a practicing certified professional midwife (CPM) with a private homebirth practice and she is a faculty member at Birthwise Midwifery School.

**Tracey Furjanic Boyle** and her family are currently living in Fort Leavenworth, Kan. In the late summer, her husband will find out his next duty assignment so who knows where life will take them. In the fall, **Meaghan David Kovacs** and her son, Drew, and daughter, Julia, got to come and spend one last weekend with the Boyle family in Pittsburgh before they moved. **Melissa Hanson Wright** and her husband, Bill, had a little boy, William Harry, on July 8, 2009. He joins big sister Amelia.

**Trish Haigh Peterson** and her husband welcomed Frederick Charles Whitman Peterson on March 2, 2009. She is a learning specialist working half days at the public school down the street from my house. She also teaches reading all morning as well as working with students with disabilities, which she loves. She is now pursuing her special education endorsement.

**Adrienne Sharp Zarn** started a new job in October 2009 as a PeopleSoft consultant based in Miami, Fla., with the consulting firm, Accenture. She celebrated her five-year anniversary with her husband, Michael, on December 10, 2009.

Since babies and travel timing didn't mix, a few friends had their own 10-year, mini-reunion in San Francisco this past September 2009. **Tina Alley DiSanto** hosted **Karen Kellner Birling**, **Charise Desmarteau Oelger**, **Meg Fischer Spartz**, and **Margaret "Marge" Schugt**.

**Ellen O'Tool Tregear**, and her husband, Steve, welcomed their first son, Logan O'Tool Tregear, into the world on November 17, 2009, weighing in at 8 lbs., 8 oz., and 21 inches. Ellen is an account executive for Kellogg's, and she resides in Plymouth, Mass. with her new family.

After living in Boston for almost 10 years, **Nicole**

**Kraimer Strieter's** husband accepted a position as an assistant professor of chemistry at the University of Wisconsin, and they moved to Madison last summer. She had a month off before starting her new job working as a nurse practitioner for the Lung Transplant/Thoracic Surgical service at the VA. She is really enjoying her job so far. She also thinks it is nice to be back in the midwest.

**Moirá Lanigan** and her husband, Jarrett, welcomed Brendan Healy Joyce, born on December 30, 2008.

**Rachel Villarreal Keyes**, and husband Tom, celebrated the birth of their third son, Thomas Miguel, on February 10, 2010. He joined his big brothers, William, four, and Samuel, two, at 1:43 p.m., weighing in at 7 lbs., 9 oz., and measuring 20 inches.

Things have been exciting for **Kelly Fennewald Olszewski** and her family. Naomi Lynn was born on November 4, 2009. She was a home water birth and it was an amazing experience. Shortly after her birth, her husband, Dave, was asked to transfer for his job. So, the Olszewski family relocated to Killeen, Tex., at the end of January 2010. David, five, and Rachel, two, were having an easy time adapting to 65 degrees in February.

Ryan William Manzo was born to Christopher and **Kelly Madden Manzo** on August 29, 2009.

**Becky Deitle McBride** is still living in Denver and loving it. Her daughter, Meara, just turned two in December and she is staying home with her full-time. Becky works part-time from home as a stylist for Stella & Dot and really enjoys that. **Kelly VanOverbeke Crane** and **Catherine Griebel Bowman** live and work in Denver now and they recently got together for drinks with some other Saint Mary's alums. It was so fun for the ladies.

**Lisa Zacharias Fennessy** and her husband, Kevin, live in New Lenox, Ill., and have five kids, Maura, six; Abbey, four; Teage, two; and two recent additions, Declan and Darcie, seven months. She works part-time doing client management and analytics for Redbox.

After nine years in New York City, and one year in Cape Cod, **Lisa Maxbauer Price** moved back to her hometown of Traverse City, Mich., with her husband, Matt, and three-year-old son, Jackson. She brought her job from the east coast with her. She's a contributing writer for *First for Women* magazine. She also writes for *The 45th*, a leisure magazine that focuses on food and wine on the 45th parallel of the world.

This summer, **Carla Dominello** had her 10-year anniversary working at Patti Gilford Fine Arts in Chicago, an art consulting firm.

**From Charmaine: Kristin Nunheimer Crawford** and her husband, Jon, live in Indianapolis, with their son, Cooper, who was born August 16, 2009. She graduated from Duquesne University of Law in 2004 and is now a liability adjuster for Hanover Insurance as well as being a licensed attorney.

**Amy Martin Rieger** and her husband, Christopher, live in Louisville, Ky. Amy got her master's in library science in 2004 from the University of Kentucky and work as a reference librarian in the Louisville Free Public Library system, while her husband teaches high school chemistry. They have three daughters, Haven Grace, three; Miranda Iris, two; and Juliet Cecilia, four months.

**Jennifer Pelic Camero** has an exciting new update. She just accepted an assistant professor position at Louisiana State University Law School. She and her husband will be moving from the Chicagoland area to Baton Rouge, La., in June 2010, and she will start teaching in the fall. "One

thing is for sure—I won't miss the snow," Jennifer says.

A heartfelt congratulations goes out to **Allison Sonneveld** and her husband, Matthew Smith, who welcomed their first baby, Kellan Matthew Sonneveld Smith, on October 23, 2009. They are really enjoying their new baby boy. "Lis" continues to work as an attorney at Stinson Morrison Hecker in St. Louis.

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**From Molly:** Happy 2010, Belles of 2001. The year is off to a great start and here are some updates from classmates:

**Katie Willkom Stopczynski** recently left San Francisco after eight years and moved back to South Bend in April 2009 to be closer to family. Katie writes, "My kids Madilyn, four, and Jake, two, love being close to their grandparents. After being home fulltime with the kids, I decided to go back to work fulltime in September 2009 as an assistant store manager for CVS Pharmacy. I love my new job and being back in the midwest." Welcome back, Katie.

**Andrea Knecht Monroe** reports, "My husband, Eric ND '01, and I have been living in Atlanta for eight years now. I taught third and fourth grade for seven years, and recently took time off to spend at home with our new son. Jackson "Jack" Scott was born February 3, 2008, and has been such a joy. I hope to return to teaching in the future, but right now, I'm enjoying this priceless time with him." Great to hear from you, Andrea.

Last October saw the expansion of several families. First, **Margaret A. Sullivan Hutton** and husband, Mike, welcomed their third child, George Sullivan Hutton, on February 2, 2010. They are doing well and loving life.

On October 10, 2009, **Nina Riconosciuto Eilers** and her husband, Tom, welcomed a daughter, Nora. Nina reports, "Life as a mother has been great."

**Carolyn Kelley** and her husband, Jorge Aguilera, are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Diego Matthew Aguilera Kelley. He was born on October 12, 2009 weighing 6 lbs., 6 oz., and was 19 inches long. He is pure joy. While Carolyn and Jorge are both teachers in Prince George's County, Md., Carolyn is staying at home with Diego and enjoying this precious time with him until she returns to work fulltime for the fall semester.

**Colleen Sullivan Schaefer**s and her husband, Scott, welcomed their first child, Mary Jean, on October 15, 2009. Colleen shares that "M. J. is so much fun and we have enjoyed this new and crazy experience."

The end of 2009 was pretty busy for **Maureen Flannery Crowe** and her family. She writes, "I left my job to become a stay-at-home mom. It has been an adjustment, but I am so much happier and maybe a little more tired. Chasing after two, almost-two-year olds, is quite the workout." Maureen also made the move from city to suburb after selling their condo in downtown Chicago. The busy family is settling in.

From the Stage of Second City, Catherine Nolan writes, "I am finishing up my third show at Second

City, "The Best of Times in the Worst of Times." Not only did I have a chance to act in it, I was also an executive producer of the show. We had a great run and we hope to have another show on Second City's lineup this summer." *Brava*, Catherine.

**Lindsay J. Landvogt** began the year with a promotion within Marriott International. She is now working in revenue management. Lindsay writes, "I spend my day conducting business evaluation for our Northern Virginia hotels. I see **Heather O'Donnell** and **Molly Strylecki** on a regular basis, which is always a good thing." If anyone visits South Bend, give **Kyle Veltri**, University of Notre Dame's golf coach, a call.

Thanks to everyone for the updates. May this year continue to bring blessings to each of you.

**From Alyson:** As usual, we have lots of new babies, recent weddings, and exciting opportunities to share. **Angela Finke Pingel** wrote that she and her husband, Michael, welcomed their long-awaited addition, Caitlyn Noelle, on December 10, 2009. She's an angel and well worth the wait. **Jeanne Marita Tierney** says, "On December 7, 2009, I gave birth

Mass at St. Pius X Parish in Indianapolis. **Mindy Rennaker** served as maid of honor, and other Belles in attendance included **Nikki Giffin Rybarczk '99**, **Elise Hall '00**, **Kara Kezios**, **Melissa Wheeler**, and **Genevieve Yavello** as well as professors Mary Connolly, Kitty Green, and Patrick White. In February 2010, we bought a house in Kirkwood, Miss. I am an assistant professor of mathematics at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville." **Julia Ann Malczynski** was married on January 9, 2010 to Shawn Heselton. It was a very low-key day with the happy couple, a justice of the peace, and some family. Congratulations to all.

**Amanda DeMeester** writes, "For the past four years, I've worked at a nonprofit community center in Greenwich Village, N.Y., planning galas, a one-night Broadway concert, and dances in NYC and the Hamptons. In January, I was promoted to special events officer in our development department. I live near **Audra Acey '00** and we enjoy dining out with our girls' dinner group. As always, I encourage anyone passing through New York City to contact me for dinner/drinks." **Jen Mulsoff Benjamin** writes, "In October, I resigned from my position at Fifth Third Bank and started my new job as associate managing director in the credit review department at The PrivateBank. I'm still working in the Chicago Loop and loving my new role. My husband and I are still living in Glendale Heights, in the western suburbs, and we try to get back to South Bend as much as possible for ND football and basketball games." **Megan Shaughnessy** writes, "My husband, Kurt, and I continue to live in Arusha, Tanzania, doing medical volunteer work at several hospitals. We have been in Tanzania since September 2009 and plan to return to Minnesota in June 2010.

The hospitals have been keeping us very busy, but we plan to take some more time off during our last few months and travel around Africa. When we return to Minnesota, Kurt will start a job at one of the emergency departments in the Twin Cities, and I will start my infectious disease fellowship at the University of Minnesota."

**Megan McKeon** writes, "I am honored that I was recently nominated international membership chair of the Legal Marketing Association (LMA). The LMA supports people who do marketing for law firms, and includes more than 3,000 individuals as members throughout the world. I'm also very excited to report that I'll be graduating from DePaul University's Kellstadt Graduate School of Business in June with my MBA in marketing management and leadership and change management." **Julia Peterson Hannan** says, "My two boys are keeping me busy as always, but my bigger news is that I just started a new job in the accounting office of Transylvania University, and I love it so far. I would like to invite anyone who is interested in attending the World Equestrian Games in September 2010 to come and stay with me. I live about one mile

from where all the festivities will be in Lexington, Ken. My email address is julesmpete@yahoo.com. **Andrea Herek Wetters** shares, "I am teaching high school English. Hard to believe I have been in the education field for seven years. My husband, Keith, and I are busy trying to keep up with our almost-two-year old, Jack. He is a handful, but he is so much fun. I am sure he will give some Saint Mary's girls a run for their money someday. I enjoyed a mini-reunion in South Bend in November 2009 with **Mary Wald Duncan**, **Molly McVoy**, **Christine Diana Crissman**, **Alice Fox Fasula**, and **Kelly Sterritt Clancy**. We hit some popular hangouts and relived our Saint Mary's days. We are looking forward to reuniting again in summer 2010 in Philly." **Annie Atkinson** writes, "My husband and I moved back to Phoenix from Japan at the end of April 2009. I was fortunate to find a job and start as a senior financial analyst in commercial business with Cox Communications. **Mindy Rennaker** and **Meg Kwiatkowski** braved the Arizona heat and came to welcome us back to the USA. Mindy has moved to Raleigh, N.C., to work on her master's in a higher education administration degree at North Carolina State University. Meg is doing well in Grand Rapids, Mich., and has turned into an expert baker."

Lastly, I'm doing well in Portland. I've started training with my students for another half marathon in June—this is our third year—and I'm also looking forward to running the Hood to Coast Relay in August, the largest relay race in the world. It's a 197-mile race from the top of Mt. Hood to the Pacific Ocean in Seaside. It should be a blast. Great to hear from all of you. Until next time, my best.

**From the Courier:** **Loretta Gallagher** writes that **Kerry Gallagher Davis** and Kerry's husband, Willie, were blessed with a son, Anthony Joseph, on November 6, 2009 at Memorial Hospital in South Bend. Anthony was a big boy, weighing in at 8 lbs., 9 oz. Big Sister, Eva Marie, now 17 months old, totally loves him.

## CLASSCLIPS



Some members of the class of 2003 met in Chicago in October, 2009 for some reminiscing. Pictured left to right are Ann Hoover Sinclair, Nicole Ciminillo Scott, Leanne Howder Sullivan, Amanda Sula Goman (holding Joseph Goman) and Katie Vincer Sears.

to a beautiful baby boy, Jude Patrick Barcelona. My husband, Bill, and I love loving every minute of being new parents." Congratulations to the new families.

In nuptial news, **Emily Alaine Patterson** writes, "On August 29, 2009, I got married to Andrew Salamon in Youngstown, Ohio. **Julie Scheib Martin** was my matron of honor and **Katie Keller Schroeder** was a bridesmaid." **Anne Benedict Senger** says, "Pete and I got married on October 10, 2009 in Traverse City, Mich. **Nora Therese Byrne** was my matron of honor and my two sisters, Kate and Thea, were my bridesmaids. **Molly Strzelecki**, **Stephanie Bissler Arden**, **Melissa Wheeler**, **Beth Teagan**, and **Laura Brennan Schlidt** came to the wedding, and it was so special to have them there. Also, the company I work for, Handylab, Inc., was acquired by Becton-Dickinson (BD) in November. BD is a global medical technology company so we went from being a company of 60 employees to being part of a company of 39,000 employees. I still have the same job as a biochemist and I am still working in Ann Arbor." **Cindy Traub** shares, "I married John Kindschuh on May 31, 2008 in a joyous

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**From Amanda:** Please continue to send your updates. The next updates are due August 20, 2010 for the *Saint Mary's Courier* winter 2010 issue. I heard from a lot of alumnae for this issue, but we can always hear from more of you. We want to hear from you.

**Heidi Wilberschied** married Kyle Klosterman on November 16, 2007 in St. Louis. In attendance were **Katie Press '05**, **Meghan Lavin White '04**, and **Theresa Carder Martinez '02**. Saint Mary's bridesmaids included **Anne Klinkhammer** and **Kristi Brandon**. Heidi shared their news too. Kristi and her husband, Adam, welcomed their first son, John Alexander, on May 25, 2009. **Anne Klinkhammer** returned from a three-year stint in Honduras this past



December. Anne volunteered at Finca del Nino, a Honduran orphanage off the coast of Trujillo.

**Katie Lee Haddad** was married on August 1, 2009 to Mike Haddad. Several Saint Mary's alumnae were in attendance: **Tara Blanchard Sabo**, **Cathy Canetti**, **Maria Conticelli**, **Erin Schultz**, **Heather Muth**, **Becky Lindemann Miedma**, **Bridget Myers**, and **Meganne Hoffman**. Two of Katie's bridesmaids were Saint Mary's graduates **Bethany Schmidt** and **Shaye O'Donnell**.

**Alaina Indriolo** was married September 5, 2009 to John Moran. Her bridesmaids included **Katie Moorman Rahrig**, **Nina Ready Sina**, and **Kim Corsentino Keyworth**. Alaina has their updates to share too. Kim had an adorable baby named Claire in April 2009. Nina is living in West Palm Beach. Katie is in Cincinnati working as a neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) nurse as she completes her master's degree. Alaina is still in Chicago and working as a nurse at Children's Memorial Hospital.

**Janelle Koop Keller** earned a master's in nursing. Janelle is working two positions. The first is as a registered nurse at Peyton Manning's Children's Hospital in the pediatric intensive care, NICU, emergency room, and pediatric units. The second is a clinical instructor in the Marian University's School of Nursing in Indianapolis. Janelle and her husband, Joe, enjoy hanging out with **Christine LaVigne Osburn** and her husband and children who just moved to the Indianapolis area. Janelle enjoys having her best friend so close for frequent Saint Mary's reunions.

**Sara Bishop Nelson** moved to Longmont, Colo. as her husband pursues a new career path at Colorado State University. Sara accepted a position as the nurse educator in the operating room at St. Joseph's Hospital in Denver.

**Cara Hoover-Jacob** and her husband purchased a new home in Marietta, Ga. She is working at the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Cara is in the Division of Select Agents and Toxins, inspecting high containment biology labs across the country.

**Jenny Caine** graduated from optometry school (Illinois College of Optometry) in May 2009. She now works in Northwest Indiana, and is excited whenever she meets Saint Mary's alumnae.

**Laura Porto** accepted a new position in December 2009 as an outpatient social worker for bone marrow transplant recipients at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis.

**Erin Reichart Lulich** is living in Pittsburgh. She gave birth to her second child, Charlie, in November 2009. Erin's daughter, Adelaide, is two. Erin works at an atomic power laboratory in Pittsburgh for the Navy.

**Katie Phelan Giganti** gave birth to her second child, Kyle Patrick, on February 20, 2010. Katie's son, Dylan, is excited for his new role as a big brother.

**Monica Cannon-Meeker's** husband, Giacomo, received his M.D. on June 7, 2010. Monica is enjoying staying at home with her daughter, Annabelle.

**From Meganne: Kellie Mark Duncan** and her husband, Matt, welcomed a baby girl, Nora Mary, on October 9, 2009. They moved into their house in Valparaiso, Ind., just weeks before she was born, and Kellie reports that they are enjoying living closer to family and friends again.

**Erin Schultz** and several of her friends have successfully started a children's theatre company called the Elephant and Worm Theatre Company. Check it out at elephantandworm.com. They have some exciting things going on.

**Laura Bost-Jeselnick** and her husband, Adam ND '04, have relocated to Carmel-by-the-Sea in

California. Laura is teaching college courses in literature and English along with dance at the Carmel Performing Arts Academy. Her husband, Adam, is working as an architect for a green custom home design firm. Laura's sister, Sarah Bost, is a May 2010 Saint Mary's graduate.

**Meghan McGinty Anderson** and her husband, Ben ND '03, had a daughter, Keira Therese, on September 18, 2009. Meghan reports that Keira is very much doted on by her older brothers, Luke and Drew, and is pleased to say that Luke is doing very well. He finished chemo and radiation treatments last April for Wilms tumor and remains cancer free. Meghan writes, "Thank you to everyone for their thoughts and prayers! Our family appreciated all the love we have received from the ND/Saint Mary's community. We are still living in D.C. and have enjoyed getting to be near and visit with **Katie Phelan Giganti**, **Heather Goodrich Shrider**, and **Katie Leonard Cooper**."

**Monica Cannon-Meeker** writes that she and her husband traveled the country last fall interviewing for her husband's general surgery residency spots. Their daughter is seven months old now and on the move, crawling. **Whitney Ross Carter**, who attended law school at Chicago-Kent, graduated in 2006. Since then, she has been in private practice with an international law firm. In 2008, she married Andrew Carter and they just welcomed their first son, Memphis Cael, in September 2009. They currently live in Barrington, Ill. **Josie Bilas Gruver** will be graduating with her PhD in Organic Chemistry from Cornell University spring 2010. She has accepted a position with Dow Chemical in Spring House, Pa. Josie writes, "We will be moving to the Philadelphia area this summer and are very excited for this next step to begin." **Kristi Marie Butman Brandon** and her husband, Adam ND Law '07, welcomed their son, John Alexander, into the world on May 25, 2009. Kristi writes, "He was born on Father Hesburgh's birthday, so our hope is he will be a future Domer. Maybe the next one will be a Belle." Her husband is currently serving in Iraq and she is taking care of life back home while working fulltime at Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wis.

**Andrea Roccanti Ferranti** writes in from Boca Raton, Fla. She and her husband, Micah, had a baby boy, Cameron Alexander, on March 25, 2009. Likewise, **Nellie Williams Gould** and her husband, Dave, were blessed with a beautiful baby girl, Norah Maureen, on August 24, 2009. **Anna Dirkes Alvarez** and her husband, Ben, have two kids: Wyatt Gustavo, four, and Sophia America, two. They just moved back to Michigan from Colorado and run a furniture business. **Nicole Strzykowski Mills** is in St. Joseph, Mich., in her fourth year of teaching kindergarten. Nicole happily reports that she "still loves it." **Jessica White Metzger** and her husband, Matt, had a son, Cade Mathias, on January 1, 2010. **Sarah Brahler Mahlik** and her husband, Justin ND '03, celebrated their one-year wedding anniversary on January 17, 2010, and they live in DOWNTOWN Chicago.

I currently live in Louisville, Ken., with a move on the near horizon. I am expected to have finished my equine business program at the University of Louisville in May 2010. I had the joy of reuniting with **Kendall Riedlinger Ymalay** who also lives in Derby City, and we watched the Saints (her team) victory over the Colts (my team) in the Super Bowl. I am happy to report that we are still friends.

**Erin Moran Crill** and her husband, Ben, moved to Dyer, Ind., where Erin accepted a new position

with St. Margaret Mercy Healthcare Center's Dyer South Clinic. **Bethany Schmidt**, **Shaye Brianne O'Donnell**, and **Katie Lee Haddad** reunited for a weekend in Florida last February. I had a great time ringing in the New Year with **Cathy Canetti** in Torrance, Calif., and I saw **Maria Conticelli** in Indianapolis last February. Maria is studying at the Erikson Institute in Chicago. **Rebecca Stumpf** is working for the Peace Corps in Costa Rica. We miss you, Becca, but we are jealous of all the sunshine you have. It was wonderful to hear from so many of you. Please continue to send us your news and make sure to update your address information with the College's Alumnae Office. Enjoy your summer.

**From Amy:** I hope this update finds you well and warm after the extreme winter that hit a large part of the country this year. I was glad to spend the winter a little further south in Cincinnati after moving there from Cleveland last summer. A "thank you" to those that submitted updates for this quarterly *Courier* edition. We truly appreciate you keeping us and your alma mater informed on all the wonderful milestones and achievements in each of your lives. Now for the updates:

**Candi McElligott** married Eric Johnson on February 20, 2010 at St. Stephen Church in Tinley Park, Ill. A reception was held afterwards at the Stadium Club at U.S. Cellular Field, home to the Chicago White Sox. Candi's sister, **Britni McElligott '07**, was the maid of honor, and **Amy Greene Smith**, a bridesmaid. **Lauren Dasso Stalter** and **Karen Schaff** were also in attendance. Candi and Eric honeymooned in Hawaii and are currently residing in Orland Park, Ill.

There's been a baby boom to say the least amongst several of our classmates. **Amy Baum Purshotam** is proud to announce that she and her husband, Jatin, welcomed a son to the world, Devan Jatin Purshotam, on April 23, 2009. Amy and family are living in Irvine, Calif., where Amy is a medical social worker at Vitas Hospice, the largest provider of hospice services in the country.

**Kristina Robinson Paluszkievicz** welcomed a son, Benjamin Michael, on April 30, 2009. Kris is enjoying motherhood and also enjoying working at the daycare Benjamin attends.

**Angela Rupchock-Schafer** and her husband, Dustin, had their second son this summer, Deacon Alain Schafer. Angela's older son, Gaius John-Paul, is a very proud big brother. Angela also recently received a master's in public affairs from Indiana University.

**Heather Goodrich Schrider** and her husband, Scott ND '02, are the proud parents of Olivia Joyce, born October 24, 2009. **Susan Kutz**, **Lauren Smith Marshall**, and **Katie Phelan Giganti** attended Heather's baby shower. Heather is enjoying every moment with Olivia, including dressing her up in many Saint Mary's/Notre Dame fashions from Olivia's wardrobe.

**Elizabeth Bailey Stocker** and her husband, Patrick, welcomed their first baby girl, Paige Elizabeth, on December 14, 2009. Liz writes, "Paige is just adorable and the best Christmas present we could ask for. We can't imagine life without her smiling face."

**Adrienne Dorbish Pietropaolo** and her husband, Domenico ND '03, had their first son, Luca Francesco, on December 26, 2009, after 54 hours of labor. Luca was 7 lbs., 9 oz., and 21 inches. Adrienne writes, "Although Christmas was spent going through contractions, the belated Christmas gift was worth it."

Congratulations to all the new moms. In other news, **Tami Kozlowski** received a master's in social work with a concentration in interpersonal practice

with children, youth, and families as well as a school social work certification, in April 2009. Tami is working in a Detroit-Wayne County community mental health clinic and loves it.

**Shaun Russell Rooney** moved from Baton Rouge, La., to Orlando, Fla., in summer 2008, where Shaun's husband is the head baseball coach at the University of Central Florida. Shaun is working as the event manager for Florida Citrus Sports, a non-profit membership organization focused on economic development in Orlando, which manages the Champs Sports Bowl and Capital One Bowl football games as well as many other events. Shaun absolutely loves the warm weather and gets to the beach as much as possible.

**Christine LaVigne Osburn** and her husband, Matt ND '03, are living in Indianapolis and are keeping busy with their two children, Elizabeth and Jacob. Christine's sisters and fellow Saint Mary's alumnae are also keeping busy. Christine writes, "**Kim LaVigne '07** graduated from the University of Toledo's physician assistant program in December and passed her boards. I am so proud and excited for her. **Jen LaVigne '09** is in her second semester at the University of Illinois Veterinary School. She has some crazy stories from clinicals and has already taken care of a very diverse population of animals, including a cheetah." Thanks for the updates. Please keep them coming.

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**From Meghan:** Greetings, Belles of 2005. Thank you to everyone who submitted information about yourself and others from our class. Here is the latest news from our classmates:

On June 13, 2009, **Laura Taylor Koke** married Kevin Koke in Indianapolis. Laura's bridesmaids included five Saint Mary's alums: her sisters **Julia Taylor Critser**, **Katie Taylor Sullivan**, **Lynn Taylor Glass '03**, and friends **Kathleen Wiggins Hergert** and **Britt Conway**. Many other Saint Mary's women also were in attendance. Laura says, "All of my sisters and I are married now. We had three weddings in 13 months—Katie in May 2008, Lynn in Sept 2008, and me in June 2009. It has been quite a year."

**Michele Firmstone Butwin** and her husband, Ben ND '05, welcomed their son, Jacob Reed, on November 25, 2009.

**Meghan Flick Schmelzer** and her husband, Stefan, recently purchased their first home in Fenton, Mich.

**Roselyn Boyle Heck** continues to live in Boston and works at the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office as a grant writer and administrator. In April 2010, her husband, Chris Heck ND '05, will be running the Boston Marathon for the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation.

**Stephanie Grasso** was married on January 1, 2010 to Patrick Heyl in Austin, Tex. Stephanie is

working on her master's degree in theology at St. Mary's University in San Antonio, Tex.

**Madelyn Manatt Pilcher** graduated with a bachelor in nursing from Creighton University in 2008 and worked as an emergency room nurse in Omaha, Neb. through 2009. She has since returned to Iowa City to start her doctorate in nursing practice at the University of Iowa in June 2010.

**Jill Elizabeth Roberts** attended the wedding of **Julia Adams** to J.J. Thomas on January 30, 2010 in Peoria, Ill. **Gretchen Rosiecki Thorne** and **Elise Rupright Bohl** were bridesmaids. **Erin Elizabeth McQueen '06** was also in attendance.

**Carolyn Carey Batz** is still living in Pittsburgh and continues clerking for the Honorable **Nora Barry Fischer '73**, ND Law '76. Her good friend, **Kathryn Lea Harrison '04**, recently joined the law firm of Campbell & Levine in Pittsburgh, after finishing her federal clerkship.

**Deirdre Elisabeth Nolan** received a master's in education from the University of Bridgeport in 2009. She completed practice teaching and her final qualification exams and is actively looking for a teaching position.

**Meghan Scallen Welch** joined American Tire Distributors in Huntersville, N.C., in January 2010. In her new role, Meghan is responsible for the media planning and buying for all of the Tire Pros franchises in the Eastern Division.

**From the Courier:** **Candace Schmidt** writes, "I graduated in December 2008 from Marymount University with my MA in forensic psychology. I moved to Boston in August to begin pursuing my doctorate degree in clinical psychology, with a concentration on forensic psychology, at Massachusetts School of Professional Psychology. I expect to graduate in spring 2013."

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**From Lisa:** It has been a LONG time since the class of 2007 has submitted updates to the *Courier*, but I am so glad and impressed with all the change and success my fellow alumnae have achieved in such a short time. Please continue sending me or Brooke your class updates so we can keep tabs on each other as we grow and hit new milestones in our lives. Congratulations on all the great news and achievements to each and every one of you who has sent updates.

I am currently residing in Indianapolis, working in secondary education at MedTech College. There are tons of opportunities for advancement, and the college is growing so fast. It is very exciting. Though I graduated with a degree in English writing and communication, I am currently in accounting. My company encourages its employees to explore and utilize their own individual talents, so I have been able to flex my writing muscles by writing the quarterly campus newsletter, tweaking the company mission statement, and writing some press releases. I'm always looking to take on new challenges, whether paid or not, so if anyone has writing or editing opportunities, let me know.

**Kirsten Kensing** writes that she has spent her time after graduation volunteering for the Peace Corps. She worked as a Teaching English as a Second

or Foreign Language (TEFL) teacher in the Republic of Georgia for a brief period before the conflict with Russia and was later transferred to a preventative health program in Guatemala, where she currently resides.

**Mary Grace Guebert** is currently working in the Foreign Policy program at the Brookings Institution in Washington, DC. After graduation, she spent several months teaching English back in Bella Roma, Italia, before making her way out to the East coast to start work in the non-profit sector in April 2008. She has been thrilled to host several classmates on Capitol Hill, including **Lauren Sullivan**, **Monica Lindblom**, **Rachael Stowe**, **Kelly Meehan**, **Sarah Wieber**, and **Claire Anderberg**. If you're planning a visit out to D.C., or have a conference in our nation's capitol, feel free to shoot her an email—the couch is always free for a Belle (and the wine is too, of course). Much love to long-distance friends.

**Sarah Mikrut** reports that she will graduate in May 2010 with a master's of fine arts degree in lighting design from Florida State University.

With an anticipated graduation date of May 2010, **Helen Casey** is currently in her third year of law school at Wayne State University in Detroit, Mich. She is an associate editor for the *Wayne Law Review*. Helen hopes to take the Michigan Bar Exam in July 2010.

**Megan (McFadden) Wickstrom** married Daric Wickstrom on July 4, 2009 in Long Beach, Ind. Bridesmaids were **Erica Valdez**, **Gail Nellans**, and **Emily Skube '08**. Also in attendance were **Jessica Stoller** and **Ali Zakrzewski '08**. Megan finished her master's in mathematics education at Illinois State University in May 2009, and is now pursuing her PhD in mathematics education part-time while teaching middle school math.

**Kathryn Marie Deitle** writes that she married Alan Kitchen on August 14, 2009 in Denver, Colo.

**Brianne Helen-Lucille Caligiuri** and Deric Poorman HCC '07 were married May 9, 2009.

**Michelle Coristin Wiechkoske** married Andrew Wiechkoske ND '07 on August 8, 2008. The two currently reside in Pittsburgh, Penn., where Michelle is a third grade teacher at Aquinas Academy. Aquinas' principal is **Leslie Pillar Mitros '82**.

**Scarlett Robinson Wand** married Patrick Wand on June 14, 2008. She writes that it was great to see fellow alumnae, **Andrea Maure Verteramo '08** and **Erin Scott '08** at the wedding. Scarlett and Patrick welcomed their first child, Aiden Merrill Wand, on August 21, 2009. Scarlett is currently working toward her master's in teaching for K-12 French and elementary education, in St. Paul, Minn.

Congratulations to the following Saint Mary's alumnae who recently gave birth to future Belles:

**Dana Dreher Schrader** writes that she and her husband welcomed Sophia Isabelle Schrader to the world on August 20, 2009, weighing in at 8 lbs., 6 oz.

Along with teaching kindergarten at Twin Branch Elementary in Mishawaka, Ind., for two years, **Breeana Gregory Wallick** and her husband, Ryan, welcomed their first daughter, Madelyn Cara, on January 4, 2007.

Again, congratulations to all alumnae on their wonderful news. It truly is encouraging and wonderful to be able to keep in touch with so many inspiring women. I hope you all have a wonderful spring and summer, and keep sending me your updates. I hope you'll be in touch should you find yourself in the Circle City. All the best!

# *Legacies 2010* COMMENCEMENT





**Clare Albright**, Antonia Marie Albright '08, Francesca Albright Morgan '04

**Michelle Anderson**, Lisa Marie Anderson '09

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