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## Enhancing EDUCATION

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## A Gift for the Ages

When word began to spread around the Bellarmine community about a generous scholarship endowment from an alumna, the news went from good to better to best. Most people were delighted that Angela Mason '80 has parlayed her Bellarmine education, business savvy and entrepreneurial skills into a phenomenally successful IT company. They were even more delighted when she announced her \$2 million gift to BU. But the topper was that Mason earmarked her endowment specifically for the education of underprivileged students.

All communities have academically talented children who can't afford higher education, let alone private higher education, and Louisville is no exception. Thanks to Mason's generous endowment, more students will have access to a BU education, and for that we are humbled and grateful. Read more about Angela Mason and the James and Norma Mason Scholarships on page 6.

Elsewhere in this issue, we catch up with some other successful alumni. Mike Middleton and Jerry Lindauer share their stories about how Bellarmine values shaped their careers. We take a look at several BU alumni who have made a mark on the Commonwealth Attorney's Office. President McGowan reports on the progress of Vision 2020. And our News and Alumni Corner departments bring you up to date on what has been a very big year for Bellarmine.

Enjoy!

Jim Welp '81  
Managing Editor

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# VISION 2020 An Exciting New Era

**Vision is a magnificent word. It can mean the power of sight, as in the act of seeing the special qualities of an object, its color, luminosity, size and shape. It can also mean a vivid concept of imaginative contemplation, seen clearly in the mind's eye. Both meanings of "vision" are much in evidence on Bellarmine's vibrant campus these days, as we work to realize Vision 2020.**

**BY PRESIDENT JOSEPH J. MCGOWAN**

As you know, our Vision 2020 is for Bellarmine University to become the Premier Independent Catholic University in the South, and thereby the leading private university in this state and region over the next decade and a half.

The Vision is to increase enrollment from 2,500 to about 8,000 graduate and undergraduate students in 15 years. We will add five to seven schools and move up in the Carnegie classifications from Master's I to Doctoral – Intensive. We will grow from about 30 buildings to about 60 by 2020. And we are studying a move to NCAA Division I in athletics. Bellarmine University will be to Louisville what Vanderbilt is to Nashville, what Emory is to Atlanta, what Xavier is to Cincinnati, what Notre Dame is to Indiana.

As important as all of this change will be, it is equally important for all of us to know, and to say, that some things will not change.

This Vision is being realized on the foundation of who we are, have been and will remain: an institution committed to the pursuit of excellence in everything we do, starting with but by no means limited to the academic excellence so beautifully epitomized by our great and hard-working faculty.

Our distinctive value, The Bellarmine Difference, is the fusion of academic excellence and ethical awareness in everything we do. "The smartest person in the room" is going to be a good person, too.

This value at the heart of our institutional identity will not change. Our youth and visionary growth are rooted in and nourished by the oldest and best educational and intellectual tradition in the history of the western world. Value flows from our Catholic identity in the spirit of Thomas Merton, in an international focus and sensitivity, in hospitality, in a commitment to social justice and service.



We are committed to excellence, and that commitment is real and present in our work with all students every day as we help them realize their best, authentic selves.

We have been making excellent progress on Vision 2020 since it was announced a year ago. Some of that progress can be seen literally and concretely. And some of that progress (like so many of the most important things in life) is without corporeal presence but is no less real.

Here are some concrete examples of progress on the Vision that will actually stimulate the retinas' rods and cones:

## **OWSLEY B. FRAZIER STADIUM**

We are building the new Owsley B. Frazier Stadium and Joseph P. Clayton Field. Soon, our student athletes will have a state-of-the-art facility in which to compete, and our community will boast a sparkling new jewel. ▼



### SIENA-INSPIRED RESIDENCE HALL

The first phase of the Siena-inspired residence hall complex is rising up behind Our Lady of the Woods Chapel, and we expect to house 116 more students in this top-flight facility for living and learning, starting in the fall of 2007.

### TENNIS COURTS

We have resurfaced our tennis courts and replaced the old fences. We will have bleacher seating and awnings to create a more beautiful venue for our men's and women's devastating drop shots and top-spin lobs.

### VIA CASSIA

The new cross-campus road, named Via Cassia was dedicated on November 14. It features a classically gorgeous stone bridge, Ponte Juneja.

### BELLARMINE OFFICE BUILDING

We are renovating the building at 2120 Newburg Road, where Physical Therapy, Education and soon Nursing will reside, and we are aligning the entrance to that building with the main campus entrance on Newburg Road. We are working with the appropriate government agencies to add a traffic signal and pedestrian cross-walk for safety, and we have plans to make this new intersection a beautifully landscaped signature entrance for Bellarmine University.



Not all Vision progress can be registered in the occipital portion of the cerebral cortex, but these important developments are no less real:

### ACHIEVING THE VISION

The University is nearing the end of a broad, inclusive and collaborative process to revise the Strategic Plan to support the first five years of Vision 2020. An operational plan backed by all the necessary research and feasibility studies will guide this work.

A Steering Committee representing all stakeholders is being impaneled to advise the administration as we realize the Vision.

### GRADUATE SCHOOL

Dr. Julie Toner is the founding dean of the new Graduate School at Bellarmine University. The Graduate School administers and helps market all of the university's graduate and professional programs.

A study of a new Graduate School of Management is well under way.

Ed Manassah, the former Courier-Journal publisher and Gannett executive, was appointed Executive in Residence at Bellarmine University to explore developing a new school of Communications, Media and Culture. Mr. Manassah has made significant progress in raising seed money, studying other communications programs and consulting with national media experts and scholars. He is working closely on curriculum and organizational issues with our own excellent Communications Department faculty as the department grows into a nationally preeminent new school or center.



**All in all, we have entered a very important and exciting era at Bellarmine University. We will need your help as we move forward. I ask you to join the entire campus community in realizing this historic transformation for the great benefit of our community, state and region.**

**And I invite you to visit the campus soon. After all, seeing is believing!**

by John Spugnardi

# BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS

Angela Mason '80 endows scholarships for disadvantaged students.

**EVERYONE WHO KNOWS** Angela Mason would agree that she was born to be an entrepreneur. It was her “decide for myself” entrepreneurial spirit that led her to enroll at Bellarmine as a transfer student from a state university, and it was that same attitude that made her an outstanding success in the business world. Now, that same entrepreneurship is leading her back to Bellarmine as one of the school’s most generous contributors.

Her recent gift of \$2 million will endow the James and Norma Mason Scholarships, which will be awarded to deserving students who otherwise would not have the financial means to attend Bellarmine. In making the gift, Mason, who founded the highly successful Washington D.C.-based technology company ITS Services in 1991, said, “I’m grateful for what Bellarmine gave me, and I want to make sure that others have that same opportunity.” The gift is the biggest ever received by Bellarmine from one of its alumnae.

**MASON’S OWN COLLEGE** experience almost did not include Bellarmine. A native of Louisville’s west end, Mason first enrolled at a state-sponsored public university, but did not have a lot of academic success, a fact she attributes to never feeling connected. So, without the assistance, even the knowledge, of her parents, Mason looked into transferring to Bellarmine because she wanted a school that was “smaller and more familiar.”

“I think Bellarmine took the extra effort to look up my high school record and considered that as well,” Mason said. In the end, Bellarmine not only admitted her, but also provided the financial aid and the work-study job she needed.

Bob Pfaadt, who hired Mason as a key punch operator and was her supervisor in the admissions and educational services office, remembers her well. “Everybody loved her,” Pfaadt said. “She was just outstanding. By the time she was a senior, I had given her as much responsibility as I could. She even represented Bellarmine at some events.”

Mason is quick to applaud her Bellarmine education. “To me, there are defining moments in people’s lives, even if they don’t realize it at the time,” she said. “Bellarmine did change my life. Not only was I well prepared, but I learned discipline, too.”



Coming out of college, Mason had an offer to join the First National Bank Management Trainee Program. However, having worked as an intern during her college summers at First National, she knew that wasn't the life she wanted to pursue. So, she worked a few more months at the bank to earn some money while she sorted out what her career path would be.

Although she didn't have a definite plan, she left Louisville in the fall of 1980 to move to the Washington D.C. area where her brother was living. "I left town with \$1,000 and my Bellarmine diploma, and I was just sure everyone would be impressed with it," she said.

Within weeks, she had secured a position with the 3M company in the facsimile division, which Mason pointed out was emerging technology in 1980. She said that working for a large corporation was exactly what she had wanted to do, but soon discovered that her entrepreneurial spirit did not fit well with big business.

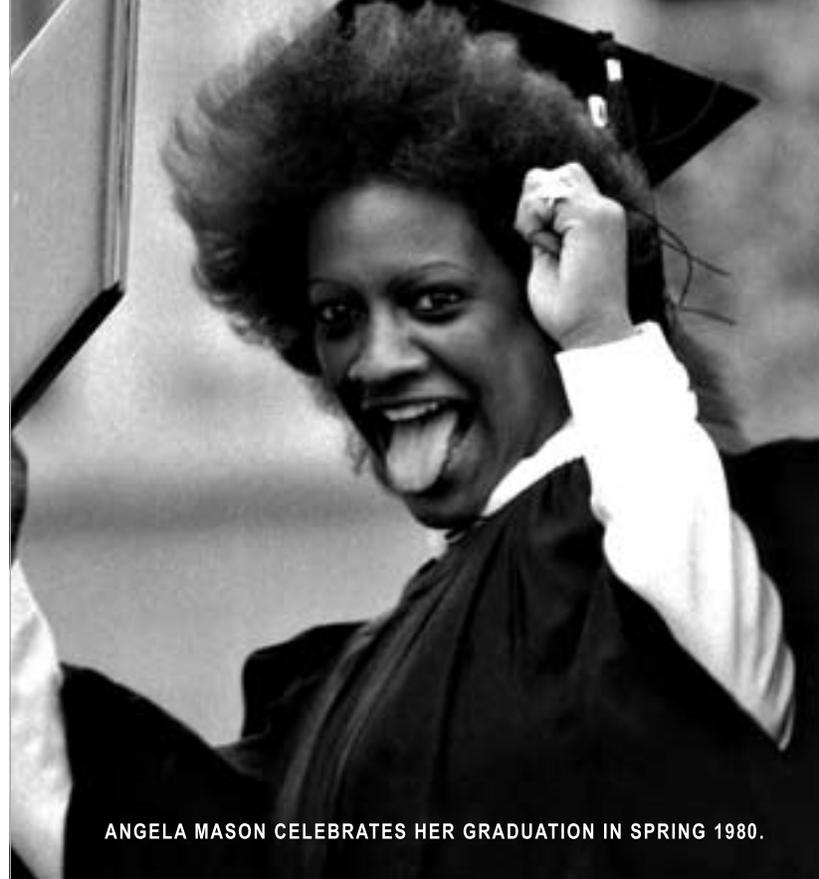
"At Bellarmine, with its liberal arts education, it was engrained in me to 'think for yourself,'" Mason said. "But big companies are not looking for change, they're looking for compliance. I spent four years [at 3M] and learned what I didn't want."

Mason then went to Tymnet, an offshoot of Tymshare which was one of the pioneers in computer networking services. "They are the great, great grand fathers of modern-day networks," Mason explained. Tymnet provided networking services for a variety of federal agencies.

Next, Mason joined a start up company as a project manager, where she said she "learned to be a jack-of-all-trades." It also was a great learning experience to see the challenges of a start-up company.

In 1991, Mason and Ram Prasad co-founded ITS Services, which soon established itself as a leading provider of information technology solutions to a variety of federal agencies. ITS specialized in three core areas: enterprise architecture, network services and operation, and software/applications development. Among their biggest clients were the federal Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, the federal Drug Enforcement Administration, the U.S. Census Bureau, the Department of Agriculture, and the Internal Revenue Service.

Establishing a company to transact business with the federal government was an easy decision for Mason. "The federal government is the largest employer in the country; they have an endless supply of money; and they even publish a book to tell you how to do it," Mason said. "I thought to myself, 'well, I can read,' and that's what we did."



ANGELA MASON CELEBRATES HER GRADUATION IN SPRING 1980.

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Sold in 2003, ITS had grown to employ 600 workers and had annual revenue in excess of \$70 million. It also had garnered recognition such as "Contractor of the Year" from the Department of Transportation Maritime Administration and was twice voted one of America's top African-American Enterprises. In addition, *Washington Technology* named ITS one of the "Fast 50" growing companies and a top 100 Federal Prime Contractor.

"After 9/11, things changed dramatically, and companies such as ITS became hot commodities," Mason said. And by 2003, "it was time to get off the merry-go-round."

**IN HER "RETIREMENT,"** Mason said she knew she wanted to do something to advance education because it "had an immense effect on me."

In 2004, she established the Angela M. Mason Endowed Scholarship at Bellarmine. She also established a scholarship fund for students from District I (west end) of the Archdiocese of Louisville. This fund pays for a Catholic education at any high school in Louisville for qualifying students.

Mason said she firmly believes in a Catholic education, but is afraid that those opportunities are disappearing—especially for children in her former neighborhood in the west end of Louisville.

In true entrepreneurial fashion, she decided to start changing that.

And she is.

# MORE THAN A BEAN COUNTER

Mike Middleton '69 credits Bellarmine with opening his world and giving him balance.

**AS BELLARMINE GROWS**, the university constantly adds students from an ever widening geographical sphere. The influx of talented students from around the country and world not only helps to achieve its ambitious vision, but it also brings an enlightening array of customs, cultures and points of view. Conventional wisdom says that wasn't always the case. Bellarmine has historically served the local community. But that's not entirely accurate.

As early as the 1960s, students came from Chicago, Milwaukee, and many areas on the east coast, including Washington and Baltimore. Growing up in southern Maryland at a tiny parochial school, Mike Middleton was introduced to Bellarmine through his two sisters, who were attending Nazareth College in Bardstown. "My sisters told me that life was great in Kentucky," said Middleton. "At the time, Bellarmine's specialties were microbiology and accounting—and I was definitely not interested in microbiology!"

**MIDDLETON ENROLLED AT BELLARMINE** as an accounting major. Like all Bellarmine students, he met faculty he'd never forget. J.J. Finnegan, Bartholomew Basi, and adjunct faculty member Dr. Raymond Bailey from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary all stand out in his memory.

"Bartholomew was tough," said Middleton. "He said, 'If you pass my intermediate accounting class you will be a C.P.A.' Both Finnegan and Basi were absolutely topnotch. Once I was introduced to Dr. Bailey's theology courses I took every course he ever taught. I still have all of my textbooks! He was a remarkable guy." Middleton was moved by the teaching of Bernie Thiemann, as well. "I just connected all of the dots after being exposed to his teachings. Forty years later, sitting in a Federal Reserve Bank board meeting, I would recall the topics Bernie discussed in 1965."

Middleton fondly remembers a group of his accounting and business friends and a group of theology friends, and credits the exposure to Catholicism, the teaching of Merton

and the teachings of the Southern Baptist Seminary with opening his world and giving him balance. "I can't stress enough how important the theological and philosophical balance was for me in my time at Bellarmine," said Middleton.

**ONE OF MIDDLETON'S PROFESSORS** at Bellarmine was a partner with the large accounting firm Peat Marwick (now KPMG) and he helped him land his first position in Baltimore. "I had an opportunity to stay in Baltimore, and there was this tiny thrift that my father had started in southern Maryland in 1950—and I mean tiny. Our family had an entrepreneurial spirit, so I opted to come back to southern Maryland."

Middleton was able to apply what he learned in Baltimore into his new vision for his father's \$35 million thrift, which he soon joined. At the same time, he began working on a master's degree in the evenings, while working full-time for what it takes to work and get a degree at the same time, so we structured continuing education as a key component of our work force—helping with tuition and being flexible with their schedules to help them achieve their goals," he said.

At the small savings and loan, Middleton served in the role of CFO but actually did everything from opening the doors to taking care of customers to managing crises. He has not forgotten the quaintness that made his company unique to its customers. "In the early days it was a Jimmy Stewart-type hometown thrift. My father would keep the bank open after hours so that a customer in Washington could come down to make a deposit."

In 1979, he became president of Community Bank and was one of the youngest bank presidents in the nation at age 30. With inflation reaching 20 percent by 1980, Middleton worked to keep the bank successful. Not only did he lead them through the crisis, he took the bank public in 1986.

**WHEN HIS FATHER DIED**, Middleton became both chair and president of the newly public Tri-County Finan-



cial Corporation and its banking subsidiary, Community Bank. In 1996, he kept his “day job” and was also elected to the Federal Home Loan Bank board in Atlanta and eventually served as Chairman of the Board. “To go from a \$100 million thrift to serving on the board of a \$35 billion corporation completely changed my thinking process,” said Middleton.

The experience helped him convert the charter of Community Bank from a thrift to a Federal Reserve member commercial bank in 1997. That same year, he also became chair of the Finance Committee of the Atlanta Bank.

“With the foundation I learned at Bellarmine and my public accounting background, suddenly I was finance chair of a \$35 billion corporation and the only CPA on

the board.” Today, Community Bank has assets of more than \$550 million.

Middleton understands very well how an institution’s growth can help the larger community, a concept that should resonate with the Bellarmine community. “Anytime we have an opportunity to look forward with a vision for growth in a way that can help our community, our philosophy is, if you do not go for it, then shame on you,” he said.

Middleton also understands and appreciates the lifelong value of a Bellarmine education. “The teachers all assembled an incredible foundation for me and the exposure to ethics and theology truly shaped me in my career—anybody can be a bean-counter but the philosophy, ethics and theology stuck with me and it set Bellarmine apart, in my mind.”

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# EDUCATION AND GROUNDING

Through several successful careers, Jerry Lindauer '57 takes Bellarmine values wherever he goes.

**WHEN JERRY LINDAUER WAS FIVE**, it seemed unlikely that he would go on to successful careers in the military, government, law, and the cable television industry. At that age, both of Lindauer's foster parents contracted tuberculosis and entered the Waverly Hills Sanatorium. His foster father did not survive the disease and for the next four years, Lindauer lived at the St. Joseph Orphanage before being reunited with his mother at age nine.

Growing up in south Louisville, Lindauer attended Holy Name School and Flaget High School. He worked his way through high school and on to college, eventually graduating from Bellarmine with a degree in history. He worked at *The Courier-Journal* in advertising and spent time as both a copy boy and a tobacco reporter.

Lindauer fondly remembers the education and grounding he learned from Fr. Jeremiah Smith in history, Fr. Edwin Borntreager in political science and Fr. Hilary Gottbrath, Fr. John T. Lyons and Fr. John D. Clancy. He credits them all with helping to shape his life.

"I probably should have flunked out my freshman year but I managed to get just enough Cs and, more important, I came under the tutelage of Fr. Jeremiah who taught history," said Lindauer. "Fr. Jeremiah was instrumental in sparking my interest and motivating me to finish." By his senior year, Lindauer had become an A and B student and he found a way to "survive" Fr. Lyons' philosophy course. "I wouldn't say I was the best student but I loved the professors. They were always good to me."

**INSPIRED BY STORIES OF WORLD WAR II**, Lindauer longed for a career in military service. "I joined the Air National Guard when I was 17 as a way to make money for school and be exposed to the military," he said. At the time he stood 5' 7" and weighed 135 pounds and the obstacles he faced seemed daunting. A fellow Flaget alumnus who had completed a platoon-leader course said, "Jerry, the military is going to kill you—they will eat you alive."

But Lindauer entered the Marine Corps Officer Candi-

date School in 1957. "I made it somehow and it was a proud moment for my mother," he said. "She was a wonderful lady. She always told me, 'Jerry you are not better than anybody, but you are just as good as anybody, too.'"

Over his 20-year tenure in the military he moved up the chain of command from Second Lieutenant to Lt. Colonel. During Vietnam, Lindauer received two bronze stars and the purple heart for Operation Harvest Moon and Operation Utah. In the latter, Lindauer led the F Company, 2nd Battalion, Marine Regiment (F-2-7) into a steady and intense firefight. Lindauer was severely wounded and it would take him more than two years to recover from. He was airlifted from the scene and made his way back to the states.

**LINDAUER MOVED TO AUSTIN**, Texas, in 1968 and began teaching at the University of Texas with the NROTC unit. He decided to enroll in law school and, when he wasn't initially accepted into the program, he recalled his mother's words. So he met with the dean to tell him that he not only was a strong student but that he had more life experiences than many of the first-time students. The dean agreed and Lindauer went on to earn his law degree.

Upon graduation, Lindauer went back to the Marine Corps and practiced law as a judge advocate general, a general court martial judge, and as a military assistant in the office of the Secretary of Defense.

He had become friends with Bob Hughes, who told him about the emerging cable television industry. Further, Hughes asked Lindauer to consider a career with his company, Community Properties, Inc. "I had law offers and I had another offer from a manufacturing firm in Houston, all of which offered a lot more money, but for some reason I just liked the story about what Bob thought cable was going to be," said Lindauer. "Of course in 1977 none of us knew what it would turn out to be."

Lindauer decided to take a risk. He became a partner in Prime Cable and served as chairman of the National Cable Television Association.



**IN THE CABLE BUSINESS**, Lindauer became known for going into regions of the country and winning franchises as well as working extensively on mergers and acquisitions. In its infancy, the cable industry went through bitter contests in the fight for franchising. “The cable industry was fun, but it was also a tough industry, causing many sleepless nights,” he said. “When things got tough I always told my friends, ‘Just remember no one is shooting real bullets at you. When you wake up in the morning you

are still going to have your wife, your kids, a real life.”

Lindauer is regarded as a cable TV pioneer. He officially retired in 1999 and served as chairman of Security Broadband until January 2006.

“I owe Bellarmine University and the people that started it a lot, particularly Archbishop Floersh and Monsignor Horrigan who had the vision to start a Catholic college in Louisville,” said Lindauer. “It gave me a great opportunity and a solid platform to build my career and my life.”

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# INSUFFERABLE NAMEDROPPING...

...and the secular proof of the existence of God

by Jim Welp '81

Name dropping is a time-honored tradition for many college graduates, and Bellarmine alumni are no exception. Just the very name Bellarmine can open doors. For instance, at some point in your career, you've probably dropped the word into a conversation and within a couple of hours found yourself dining on something slathered in Henry Bain sauce with a director of HR. Or maybe dropping the name of an individual has worked for you. Perhaps you parlayed a fellow business student's momentary poverty one night at Tewligan's into an eventual spot on the board at a Fortune 500 company (you know who you are). Whatever your own story, few students pass through life after Bellarmine without dropping a Bellarmine-related name here or there. If you claim you don't, you're either truly above that sort of thing or you're just not *amoreing the veritatis*.

I'll admit to using my Bellarmine pedigree for personal advantage a time or two, but lately I've found myself dropping names of Bellarmine connections in a new—if equally insufferable—way. Instead of jabbering about fellow alums or professors or, say, how a co-worker's sister was the one who worked the intercom at Kennedy/Newman the night a prankster called and paged vaguely pornographic-sounding fake names, I've been discovering myself dropping the names of some of the people I met at Bellarmine who truly influenced my life in profound ways.

People like William Butler Yeats and Thomas Aquinas and Jack Kerouac and John Maynard Keynes and John Updike. People like Andrew Marvell, whose randy 1650 rhyming couplets in "To His Coy Mistress" make Dr. Dre sound like Dr. Seuss. People like Jean-Paul Sartre, Charles Darwin, and Soren Kierkegaard—he of the "leap of faith," which I've always loved if never exactly made.

People like John Keats, whose Ode on a Grecian Urn's forever-frozen passion and confounding "Beauty is truth, truth beauty" have kept me comically perplexed for 25 years and will no doubt continue to do so long after I've forgotten all about Pam and Jim on "The Office."



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People like Confucius, Einstein, Pasteur, Epicurus and Aristotle. People like John Milton and Thomas Hobbes, who inspired one of my early, grammatically challenged, late-night poems:

*At quarter past three  
John Milton and me  
had a brandy with Hobbes.  
We talked of how free  
the will can be  
and other assorted snow jobbes.*

Like most victims of namedropping, those who’ve had to listen to me ramble on about Thomas Merton or Plato or James Still or Augustine probably secretly (or not so secretly) roll their eyes and wish I’d shut up already about the fancy-pants people I “met” at Bellarmine. But too bad: They’re my kids, so they have to listen.

Obviously, none of these mostly dead heroes could have come to life for me if it weren’t for Bellarmine professors, whose names I also drop on occasion. People like Frank Slesnick, Sister Pat, Fr. Crews, James Valone, Wade Hall, Fr. Kilcourse, Ron Seitz, Bernie Thiemann, Thomas Devasia, Fr. Zoeller and Kathleen Lyons. But there was one totally brilliant, totally whacked-out dude who stood above the rest, at least when it came to mind-blowing, life-changing, get-yourself-ready-because-anything-can-happen expansions of the cosmic consciousness: Dr. Paul Matthews.

For those of you who never knew the pleasure of his lectures, Dr. Matthews was

a mild-mannered, nondescript sort of fellow, whose humor was drier and slower to develop than my grandfather’s martini (recipe at right) and, which flew above the radar of some students. He wasn’t the sort of teacher whose class everyone scrambled to sign up for. And yet, he is the one who immediately comes to mind whenever anyone mentions great teachers.

He taught me Introduction to Philosophy and Philosophy of Man and over the course of a spectacularly chalk-clouded year, he secularly proved the existence of the soul and the existence of God and kept my spine tingling the entire time. Sure, maybe his Causal Theory of Knowledge had a hole big enough to drive a bookmobile full of Bertrand Russell volumes through, and maybe Kierkegaard’s leap of faith was a devastating theological distraction during a secular moment, and maybe you could wonder who in blazes—if everything had to be caused and if God caused everything—caused God, but it was impossible to spend a semester with Paul Matthews without opening the blue book of your own soul and composing a credible essay proving God’s existence.

Paul Matthews’ ideas made me squirm. His incredible chalk scribbles all over that Horrigan Hall (we called it the Administration Building then) blackboard made me laugh and think “wow!” and actually argue out loud in class and marvel at how wonderful it is to simply sit and think. And learn. And that alone is another pretty good secular proof of the existence of God.



## My Grandfather’s MARTINI

Skewer two olives on a little plastic sword and place in a martini glass.

Pour two ounces of chilled gin over the olives.

Remove cap from vermouth bottle and wave it slowly seven times over the glass, facing Italy. Replace cap on vermouth bottle.

Enjoy  
(never more than two).

### DO YOU REMEMBER A PROFESSOR WHOSE IDEAS MADE YOU SQUIRM?

Tell the Bellarmine alumni community on the Bellarmine Alumni site. Visit [bellarmine.edu/alumni](http://bellarmine.edu/alumni) and click *Message Boards*. When prompted, log in and click *General Discussion*.



## Bellarmino receives major gift for Merton Center

President McGowan announced last spring the receipt of a gift of draft manuscripts and correspondence valued at nearly \$1 million to the university's Thomas Merton Studies Center.

Robert Giroux, a partner in the publishing firm of Farrar, Straus and Giroux, has given a variety of Thomas Merton original pieces to the university. The collection has been appraised at \$911,225.

"We are extremely appreciative of Mr. Giroux's thoughtfulness and gift," said Dr. McGowan. "We are honored to welcome this new material to what we think is the world's pre-eminent Thomas Merton collection."

Giroux was a schoolmate of Merton's at Columbia, and he edited and published a number of his books including *Disputed Questions* and *Thoughts in Solitude*. Giroux gave Bellarmine's commencement address at the December 2003 ceremony, at which time he was awarded with an honorary doctorate from Bellarmine.



Visit the Merton Center in the top floor of the library or online at [www.merton.org](http://www.merton.org)

## Bellarmino joins Division I lacrosse conference

Great Western Lacrosse League (GWLL) commissioner Jon Hind announced in June that the Bellarmine University Knights will be joining the GWLL next season. This league includes the Air Force Academy, Butler University, University of Denver, University of Notre Dame, The Ohio State University and Quinnipiac.

"Joining the Great Western is a great opportunity for us to compete at a very high level in one of the best leagues in the country," said Bellarmine head lacrosse coach Jack McGetrick.

The Knights completed their first full NCAA Division I lacrosse schedule last spring after being a provisional DI member in 2005. Last season Bellarmine's lacrosse team highlights included a 9-4 win over then-No. 16 Binghamton and four wins in their final five contests. Other highlights from this past season included playing two No. 1 ranked teams, Duke and Virginia, and two top 25 GWLL programs in Notre Dame and Denver (who also made the NCAA tournament).





## MAY COMMENCEMENT

### 347 Become newest Bellarmine alumni

Bellarmino awarded 71 master's and 276 bachelor's degrees during its 53rd annual commencement exercises in May.

The commencement speaker was Ina Bond, chairwoman of the Muhammad Ali Center. Bond was co-chair of Bellarmine's Partnership for Progress Capital Campaign, and is a former member of the Bellarmine Board of Trustees. Currently, she is serving on the boards of Brown-Forman Corporation, the J. Graham Brown Foundation, the Waterfront Development Corporation, and is president of the W.L. Lyons Brown Foundation.

In addition to the conferral of the traditional degrees, honorary doctorates were awarded to Bond and Nolen Allen, chairman of Cotton and Allen accounting firm. A third honorary doctorate was awarded posthumously to Joseph Stopher in a private ceremony with his family. Stopher, former president of the Gheens Foundation, died Friday, April 28.

Other highlights of the commencement exercises included awarding the Archbishop's Medal of Scholastic Excellence (Alan Hall), the Wilson W. Wyatt Fellowship (Christopher Schaefer) and the In Veritatis Amore Award (Joan Niemczewski and Chris Schaefer). The Archbishop's Medal is awarded to the graduate having the highest cumulative grade point average; the Wyatt Fellowship is presented to a student who has accomplished a high academic standing, is an outstanding student leader, and has completed a competitive interview and nomination process. The In Veritatis Amore Award is given to the best all around male and female.



## Bellarmino recognized by *The Princeton Review* and *U.S. News & World Report*

Bellarmino University is one of just a handful of Kentucky colleges and universities to appear in the 2007 edition of *The Princeton Review's* book "Best 361 Colleges." In fact, Bellarmino is the only Kentucky "master's university" to earn recognition in *The Princeton Review's* 2007 book. Also, *U.S. News & World Report's* 2007 rankings place Bellarmino in the top 20 universities in the South region of the "Best Universities-Master's" category. This marks the 13th year in a row Bellarmino has been ranked in this "top tier" by the publication.

"As Bellarmino moves forward with our vision of being the premier independent Catholic university in the South, this recognition is an important affirmation of our overall educational excellence," said President McGowan.

"We consider these colleges the best in the nation academically" says Robert Franek, author of the book at *The Princeton Review*, one of more than 200 Princeton Review books published by Random House. Each year *U.S. News* ranks 1,400 colleges and universities based on a variety of criteria ranging from academic reputation to alumni giving. These rankings appear in four categories: Best National Universities-Doctoral, Best Liberal Arts Colleges-Bachelor's (National), Best Universities-Master's (Regional), and Best Comprehensive Colleges-Bachelor's (Regional).

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## Manassah to plan new School

Dr. McGowan has appointed Edward E. Manassah to serve as a full-time Executive in Residence to plan the creation of a nationally pre-eminent School of Communication, Mass Media and Culture at Bellarmino. Manassah, who has been president and publisher of *The Courier-Journal* since 1993, announced his retirement from the Gannett Co. Inc. in January in order to accept the position and



began working full time at Bellarmino in April.

Manassah will seek a planning grant, endowment and funding for the school. He will help to assemble and direct a task force of internal and external experts in the

field "to develop a proposal for creating a nationally distinguished center for the study of media, popular culture, their interaction with and impact on society," Dr. McGowan said.

## New Graduate School, Toner named as dean

The Bellarmino University Board of Trustees has approved the creation of the Bellarmino University Graduate School, and Bellarmino has named Dr. Julie Toner as the founding dean of the new school.

The new Graduate School will centralize the marketing, admissions, financial aid and retention functions of Bellarmino's 10 graduate programs. The school's creation also will create an active voice for graduate education at Bellarmino in the community, ensure consistency across programs, develop multidisciplinary programs, and increase the visibility of the university's graduate programs.

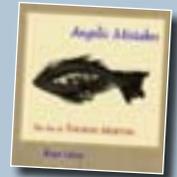
Toner, who is in her seventh year as a Bellarmino professor of marketing, will be responsible for coordinating the centralization of enrollment management efforts for graduate programs. She also will help to establish new graduate programs, including potential doctoral programs. She will continue to teach in Bellarmino's AACSB-accredited MBA program.

## Looking for a Good Book?



Dr. Elizabeth Hinson-Hasty's book *Beyond the Social Maze: Exploring Vida Dutton Scudder's Theological Ethics* explores the ethical teachings of social reformer Vida Dutton Scudder.

Dr. Paul Pearson, wrote the foreword to *Angelic Mistakes: The Art of Thomas Merton* by Roger Lipsey. The book is lavishly illustrated with images from the Merton Collection here at Bellarmine.



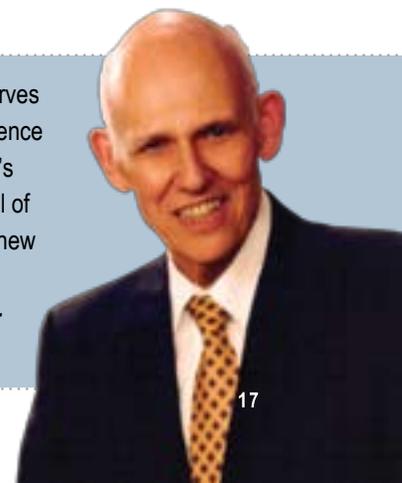
Professor Eric Roorda published *Cuba, America and the Sea*, a review of the history of the relationship between Cuba and America.

Poet-in-Residence Frederick Smock published *Poetry & Compassion: Essays on Art & Craft* (Wind Publications). In *The Courier-Journal*, L. Elisabeth Beattie wrote, "Poetry & Compassion should be a required text for post-secondary-level writing courses, but Smock's book is essential, too, for anyone whose passion is to create." Mr. Smock also published a book of sonnets, appropriately titled *Sonnets*. Smock, also a painter, had his one-man show titled "Horizons," displayed at Bellarmine's McGrath Gallery through the month of September.



Dr. Maggie Miller and Marge Glaser (retired nursing school administrator) published the centennial book, *Professional Nursing in Kentucky*. This book captures one hundred years of history of the Kentucky Nurses Association (KNA).

Lee B. Thomas, who serves as the executive in residence for Bellarmine University's W. Fielding Rubel School of Business, published his new book *Ethical Business Relationships: Partnerships in Peace*.



## Bellarmine Faculty Achievements

- » Bellarmine artist-in-residence **Fong Choo** has earned high recognition at four major art fairs in 2006. He received the Bronze Award at the Smithsonian Craft Show last April, the best in show award at the American Craft Exposition in Chicago in August, another "best of show" prize at the St. Louis Art Fair in September, and he was the featured artist and winner of the best in show award at the Peoria Fine Art Fair. Choo's medium is ceramics with an emphasis on miniature teapots.
- » Music composed by associate professor of music **Richard Burchard** made its premiere at a concert on Thursday, April 6. The Northern Kentucky University Chamber Choir under the direction of Randy Pennington performed the music at St. James Catholic Church. The concert was a CD preview concert, marking the end of a 10-month collaboration between Burchard and Pennington
- » Biology professor **Joanne (Jones) Dobbins** was inducted into the Atherton High School Hall of Fame at the 5th Annual Atherton High School Alumni Association Hall of Fame Banquet. Dobbins, a 1967 graduate of Atherton, is a highly regarded microbiologist. In addition to her teaching at Bellarmine, she has contributed to the historic artificial heart project, collaborated with scientists from the Louisville Zoo and is a published author on microbiology.
- » **Dr. Robert Korn**, Professor Emeritus in Biology, has published a paper entitled "Tracheid Analysis and Modeling the Minor Veins of the Coleus and Smilax Leaves" in the German journal *Planta*. This is no small achievement: *Planta* is to botanists what the *New England Journal of Medicine* is for clinical researchers.
- » Bellarmine President **Joseph J. McGowan** has been elected to serve a rare third term on the board of directors for the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU). His third, three-year term began Feb. 7 at the organization's national meeting in Washington, D.C. Dr. McGowan is serving as the representative from District III, which includes Kentucky, Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia.



2006 WYATT LECTURER KEVIN PHILLIPS

### Phillips discusses religion and politics

Author and political commentator Kevin Phillips delivered the 2006 Wilson W. and Anne D. Wyatt Lecture. Phillips' lecture, "The Peril and Politics of Radical Religion, Oil and Debt," was a provocative look at the interplay between politics, religion and economic security.

Phillips, a strategist for Richard Nixon in the 1960s, has since become a harsh critic of the Bush Administration. His current book *American Theocracy: The Perils and Politics of Radical Religion, Oil and Borrowed Money in the 21st Century* assails the political coalition led by radical religion that Phillips believes is driving the country to the brink of disaster.

Phillips warned the crowd of approximately one thousand of the threat he sees to the nation's security. He predicts a dangerous future, due to our dependence on foreign oil and our growing national debt.

Phillips' lecture was the 12th in the Wyatt Lecture Series, founded in 1990. The Series was created for the purpose of bringing to Bellarmine individuals of national or international prominence who have distinguished themselves in the area of government or public service or who have been important observers and analysts of public affairs and government.

Journalist and author Bob Woodward will deliver the next Wyatt Lecture, on Tuesday, March 20.

### The new Darwin visits Bellarmine

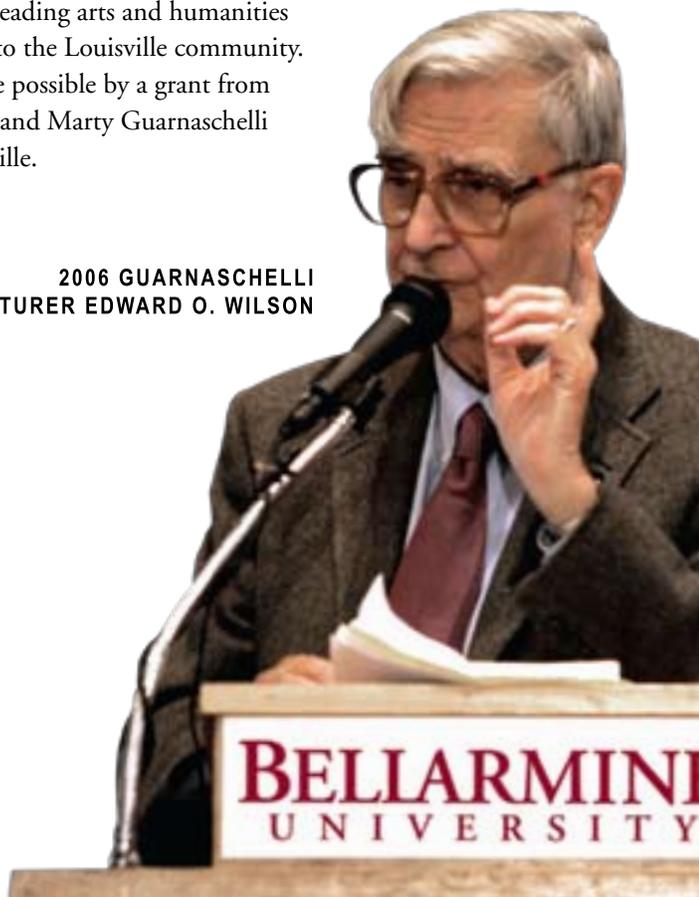
Renowned biologist Edward O. Wilson called for a reconciliation between science and religion at the 2006 Guarnaschelli Lecture in Bellarmine's Knights Hall. The Harvard University professor emeritus believes this reconciliation the only way to solve massive worldwide problems like global climate change and the rapid extinction of many species of animals, insects and marine life.

In order to spare life on the planet as we know it, Wilson says we must rediscover the link between the natural and the spiritual, particularly when it comes to the politics of creation. Conflicting political viewpoints, including hot-button issues like evolution and intelligent design, must be set aside, he believes. Wilson's lecture was a stark reminder of the urgency with which we must act if we want to preserve the planet's biodiversity.

Wilson has been called "the new Darwin" and one of America's 25 most influential people. He has won two Pulitzer Prizes for his writings, "The Ants" and "On Human Nature." His new book, *The Creation*, is written in the form of a letter to an unnamed Southern Baptist preacher. In it, Wilson focuses on how scientists and fundamentalists can find common ground in order to save the planet.

The Guarnaschelli Lecture Series is designed to bring leading arts and humanities speakers to the Louisville community. It is made possible by a grant from Dr. John and Marty Guarnaschelli of Louisville.

2006 GUARNASCHELLI LECTURER EDWARD O. WILSON





THE PARK GRANDE

## **Bellarmino University Women's Council sponsors 33rd Annual Designers' Show House at The Park Grande**

The Bellarmine University Women's Council sponsored its 33rd Annual Designers' Show House Sept. 9-24 at The Park Grande. The Park Grande is a new luxury condominium complex overlooking Cherokee Park. The Designers' Show House featured interiors designed by 53 Louisville-area designers. Approximately 7000 people toured the Show House and the event raised \$73,785 for the Bellarmine University Student Aid Fund.

The Bellarmine University Women's Council was formed in 1963 and currently boasts a membership of approximately 400 women from the Louisville area. The Council has supported and assisted Bellarmine in its cultural affairs, campus beautification, athletic and library programs. The Council introduced the Designers' Show House in 1974 and has contributed more than \$1.4 million to the Bellarmine Student Financial Aid Fund.

## **Shakespeare Behind Bars visits Bellarmine**

Bellarmino presented a screening and discussion of the critically acclaimed documentary film "Shakespeare Behind Bars" in April. The following evening Bellarmine hosted a discussion of the program Shakespeare Behind Bars, which inspired the documentary. A panel of experts, including inmate alumni of Shakespeare Behind Bars who have been released from prison and successfully reintegrated back into society, led the discussion.

Curt L. Tofteland, producing artistic director of Kentucky Shakespeare Festival and psychologist Dr. Julie Barto, founded Shakespeare Behind Bars in 1995. In the program, inmates stage a Shakespearean play within the Luther Luckett Correctional Complex in LaGrange, Ky, then take the play to other prisons throughout Kentucky. Shakespeare Behind Bars can trace its roots back to a 1991 program called "Books Behind Bars" started by Bellarmine professor Curt Bergstrand and his sociology students. That program paired high-risk middle school students with inmates from Luther Luckett. The students and inmates were then assigned to read one selected work a month and discuss it in informal discussion groups. That program's success inspired the founding of the Shakespeare Behind Bars program in 1995.



by John Spugnardi

# LAW & ORDER

Bellarmine graduates well represented in Commonwealth Attorney's Office

When Louisville residents hear about dangerous criminals being successfully prosecuted and incarcerated, chances are they have a Bellarmine graduate to thank for it. That's because there are six Bellarmine undergraduate alumni working as attorneys in the Commonwealth Attorney's Office (30th Judicial District). In fact, no other university has more undergraduate alumni working in that capacity, and that's with a staff of 48 attorneys. (The term "commonwealth's attorney is synonymous with "district attorney" in most states. In Kentucky, the Commonwealth's Attorney represents the state's interests in prosecuting those who defy its laws.)

First Assistant Commonwealth Attorney Harry Rothgerber '69 says that Bellarmine's liberal arts curriculum makes Bellarmine alumni stand out in the job market.

"Together, Commonwealth's Attorney Dave Stengel and I personally interview all finalists for prosecutor positions," Rothgerber said. "We are committed to hiring the brightest, most aggressive and well-rounded lawyers who apply, no matter what their educational backgrounds are. It is apparent to me that Bellarmine graduates have an advantage due to the rigorous liberal arts course of study that they experience."

Rothgerber said that often the toughest, highest profile cases are handled by Bellarmine alumni, shown below. "Ripped from the headlines"—as the popular television drama *Law and Order* says—some of the recent cases handled by BU alumni include the Victory Park Crips gang murder and the suspect currently charged with the murders of two Trinity High School students.



LEFT TO RIGHT:

Christian Mascagni '00

Jon Heck '97

Ryane Conroy '00

Harry Rothgerber '69

Stacy Greive '88

Jason Butler '99

>> **Christian F. Mascagni '00**

Mascagni received his license to practice law in the Commonwealth of Kentucky in 2004, and became an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney in August 2004. At Bellarmine, he was a political science major. Immediately prior to joining the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office, Mascagni served as a prosecutor in the Jefferson County Attorney's Office. He has served as a Law Clerk in the offices of several local defense attorneys. He serves as a youth basketball coach, and has extensive involvement with fundraising for the Diabetes Foundation. He is currently assigned to the General Trial Unit, Division A.

>> **Jonathan Heck '97**

Heck received his license to practice law in the Commonwealth of Kentucky in 2002, and became an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney in January 2004. He majored in philosophy and history at Bellarmine. Heck has served as a Jefferson Circuit Court Judicial Clerk and as a Staff Attorney in Jefferson Circuit Court, Division Six. He previously worked as a defense attorney in the law office of David Lambertus. He serves as a member of the St. Joseph's Children's Home Picnic Planning Committee. He is currently assigned to the Domestic Violence and Child Abuse Unit.

>> **Ryane Conroy '00**

Conroy, an English major at Bellarmine, received her license to practice law in the Commonwealth of Kentucky in 2003. While at Bellarmine, she was a member of the Mock Trial Team that won the National championship in 1999. She served for two years as a law clerk in the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office, eventually becoming Senior Law Clerk. She is assigned to the General Trial Unit, Division B.

>> **Harry Rothgerber '69**

As First Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney for Jefferson County, an unelected position, Rothgerber is second in command and serves as Commonwealth's Attorney in the absence of Stengel, the elected official. Rothgerber oversees the daily operations of the office as well as the supervision and training of all prosecutors. He is also in charge of the hiring process for prosecutors, law clerks, and law school.

Rothgerber's past positions include Chief Juvenile Defender for Jefferson County, and Chairman of the Kentucky Parole Board. A baseball researcher and writer whose first book, *Young Babe Ruth*, was published by McFarland in 1999, and is in its second printing, he lectures locally on the topic "Famous Moments in Louisville Baseball History."

Mr. Rothgerber and his wife Helen have three adult children, one of whom is Dr. Hank Rothgerber, Associate Professor of Psychology at Bellarmine.

>> **Stacy Greive '88**

Greive received her license to practice law in the Commonwealth of Kentucky in 1992 and became an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney in October of 1992. Greive majored in psychology at Bellarmine. She worked as a law Clerk at Gittleman & Barber from 1989 to 1990 before coming to the Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney as a Law Clerk from 1990 to 1992. She is assigned to the Grand Jury division.

>> **Jason Butler '99**

Butler, an English major at Bellarmine, received his license to practice law in the Commonwealth of Kentucky in 2003, and joined the Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney in December of that year. While at Bellarmine, he was a captain of the mock trial team that won the national championship in 1999 and was a three-time College Mock Trial All American. His prior legal experiences include stints as an intern in the Polk County (Iowa) Attorney's Office and as a judicial clerk. Butler is the recipient of the American Bar Association's Outstanding Moot Court Oralist. He currently serves as Attorney-Coach for Bellarmine's Mock Trial Team. He is assigned to the General Trial Unit, Division B.



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McGowan evidences a building boom modeled after the Italian hill towns of Tuscany

# Big Plan on Campus

Bellarmino University president Jay McGowan is pursuing an ambitious expansion he says could transform the school into Kentucky's Vanderbilt. **By Joe Ward**

If 56-year-old Bellarmine University succeeds in increasing the number of its schools from five to 12 or more by 2020, and if the Louisville private college doubles the number of its buildings and triples the number of its students — if it becomes the Vanderbilt or Emory or Notre Dame of Kentucky — there will be people at Fordham University in New York who will refer to all of these occurrences as the "Revenge of the Jesuits."

Here's why: President Joseph J. "Jay" McGowan, who proposes to make his school the premier independent Catholic university in the South, was a Fordham administrator for many years, before he

Fordham. Fordham became one of the most respected universities in the country and Theobald became renowned as a college prep and Catholic author. Fordham's Kentucky connection remains one of the New York school's loz: When McGowan left Fordham, Bellarmine, another Catholic college, friends at his going-away party there spoke of the "Revenge of the Jesuits on Kentucky."

It's been a constructive sort of revenge. Those old French priests who laid the foundation for Fordham's top ranking as a university might be looking down on McGowan's progress so far and saying the equivalent of, "That's what I'm talking about." Since McGowan took

took over Bellarmine in 2001, he has led the school through a period of rapid growth. In which soon a French Jesuit Catholicism in Theobald and College in M with Kentucky

# Bellarmino plans four residence halls; first building to cost \$7.2 million

BY JOHN R. KARNAN III | STAFF WRITER  
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Bellarmino University plans to build four new residence halls over the next few years, increasing the number of students living on its

The first structure will be built on a hill behind Bellarmine's Our Lady of the Woods Chapel.

# Stay curious, Bellarmine grads told

One knows value of an open mind

By Harold L. Adams  
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The Courier-Journal

Four years ago, the Rev. John Nash thought there was no way that his son would consider leaving their Atlanta home to attend Bellarmine University in Louisville.

"We didn't think he would come here, looking at the smaller city and looking at the ethnic makeup," said Nash, who is African American.



Graduates of Bellarmine University's residence halls

Recent test scores indicate that Bellarmine University business graduates are among the top 15 percent in the country.

According to results from the fall 2005 Educational Testing Service's

# Knights pull upset in lacrosse

From Special Dispatches

The Bellarmine lacrosse team got its first victory over a team ranked in the NCAA Division I top 20 yesterday, knocking off No. 16 Binghamton 9-4 in a four-team classic at Princeton.

The Knights (3-3), who are in their second season, fell behind 1-0 but scored the next five goals.

Goalkeeper J.C. Hutchins saved eight shots for Bellarmine.

to 19-2.

Kassie Stanfill (34) picked up her first complete-game shut-out, holding Middle Tennessee to two hits. Courtney Moore was 2 for 2 with a home run, double, two runs and an RBI.

Catherine Bishop (24) held Toledo to two hits in five innings for her fifth shut-out of the season. The Cards belted out a season-high 15 hits. Lucy Wood went 4 for 4 with three runs and two RBIs.

Louisville will face defend

Daniel Burton had an RBI double in the first inning for the Cardinals (8-14). Nick Haley's two-out single in the eighth

# Sports

## A first for Bellarmine track

For the first time, Bellarmine University is sending three women to the NCAA Division II Championships. This week's meet in Emporia, Kan., has Meghan Crowe competing in the

# Bellarmino business graduates excel

ment indicators," Bellarmine students' scores placed in the 95th percentile for economics and the 90th percentile for accounting and international issues. Bellarmine scores on the remaining five categories ranged from the 60th per-

Bellarmino University's Rubel School of Business. "To me, it speaks volumes about the type of education we're providing at Bellarmine."

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## Housing initiative part of Bellarmine's 'Vision 2020' strategic plan

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open space in front of the university's existing Residence Hall residential and of the building.

Residence Hall is located on the same hill as the residential facility already under construction.

The next phase of the second new residence hall has not been finalized. Fisher said the estimated cost will be between \$40 and \$60 million and could take 10 to 15 years to build. Design work should begin in the spring, he said.

**The student dorms would feature:**

- The first and fourth phases of Bellarmine's housing program would require the demolition of existing properties.
- To make room for the first new residential facility, campus staff expect to erect Fisher said. The student dormitory, which has capacity for 40 students, was built in the early 1950s.
- The fourth new dorm would replace the

# Bellarmino to unveil new vision of growth

Plans call for more schools, students

### ON THE WEB

A gallery of current and historical photos, plus a timeline of Bellarmine from its beginning to the present, appear at [courier-journal.com](http://courier-journal.com)

By Nancy C. Rodriguez  
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The Courier-Journal

Bellarmino University wants to triple its enrollment and potentially add new schools of law, architecture, pharmacy and veterinary medicine by 2020.

President Joseph McGowan will formally announce tomorrow a proposal that calls for the

one of the South's premier independent Catholic universities.

To get there the university is examining:

- ▶ Raising enrollment from 2,500 to 8,000.
- ▶ Doubling facilities to 60, mostly on its 135-acre campus on Newburg Road.
- ▶ Offering 10 doctoral de-

# Merton papers donated to Bellarmine

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The renowned book editor and publisher who edited many of Thomas Merton's works donated nearly \$1 million worth of the late poet's papers to the Thomas Merton Center at Bellarmine University.

Robert Giroux said he was sorting through his New Jersey apartment last year when he discovered more than 3,000 pages of documents from the Roman Catholic monk and poet who died in 1968.

"I just knew that's said Giroux, a college university who edited many of Merton's books," Giroux said.

# Bellarmino listed in best-college book

Bellarmino University is listed in the 2007 edition of The Princeton Review's book "Best 361 Colleges," which went on sale this week.

The school also was listed as a top-tier regional master's university in the 2007 U.S. News & World Report's "Best Colleges" list.

## The Alumni Corner



Louisville has three all male Catholic high schools: DeSales, St. Xavier, and Trinity, and currently all three schools have presidents who are Bellarmine alumni: **Doug Strothman '87** (DeSales), **Perry Sangalli '80** (St. Xavier), and **Rob Mullen '82** (Trinity). Recently the three high school presidents were back on campus and were photographed with Bellarmine President Dr. Joseph J. McGowan. Pictured above are (from left) Strothman, McGowan, Sangalli, and Mullen.

### 2006 Accounting Alumnus of the Year

The Rubel School of Business honored Richard A. Schweinhart as its 2006 Accounting Alumnus of the Year at the school's 22nd Annual Accounting Alumni Luncheon on September 21.

Schweinhart, who graduated in 1971, now serves as executive vice present and chief financial officer of Ventas, Inc.



LEFT TO RIGHT:  
Ian Patrick,  
Rick Riney  
and Richard  
Schweinhart

### PATRICK MOVES INTO NEW ROLE

Alumni Executive Director Dr. Ian Patrick has accepted the position of Major Gifts Officer at Bellarmine. Dr. Patrick has served the university well in numerous posts. Over the last four years as Executive Director of the National Alumni Association, he has instituted numerous new programs, including the Young Alumni Network, the St. Robert Bellarmine Mass for graduates who have lost loved ones, and formalized the 50th Reunion Club and Weekend. He also helped to revamp this magazine and wrote numerous stories for it. In addition to his role as the Executive Director of the National Alumni Association, he has played a pivotal role in securing the funding for Knights Park. And he has always graced us with his upbeat personality and enthusiasm, even in the face of a 5-inch rainstorm during a major outdoor event. We thank Ian for his service to the alumni community and look forward to more great work from him on behalf of Bellarmine University.

Dr. Patrick's new appointment opens up the position of Executive Director of the Alumni Association.

### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SOUGHT

Bellarmine invites applications and nominations for the position of Executive Director of the Alumni Association. The Executive Director will report to the Vice President for Development and Alumni and will serve as a key member of the development team.

Bellarmine seeks an individual who can embrace its unique nature and has demonstrated success in alumni relations, fundraising or a related field. The successful candidate must demonstrate the ability to effectively organize multiple events and projects simultaneously. A high degree of diplomacy and integrity is required, as well as exceptional motivation and creativity. The individual must be able to engender confidence, enthusiasm, and promote support among many different constituencies. A bachelor's degree is required, and an advanced degree preferred. The individual must have excellent oral and written communication skills. Three to five years prior experience is required, preferably in a higher education setting or similar experience in business or industry. Travel will be required to visit alumni, both locally and regionally. Please submit letter of interest, resume, and the names and addresses of three professional references to:

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# 2006 Legacy Dinner

One of the greatest endorsements of a Bellarmine education is when alumni send their children or grandchildren to their alma mater. The alumni association paid special tribute at the inaugural Legacy Dinner.



Joan '94 and Suzanne McGee



Dr. John '81, Lauren, and Cathy Wernert



Tom '04, Alicia, and Tori Fitzpatrick



Alexander and David '98 Kent



Emily, Amy, and Debbie Fields Heuser '71



Colette Dumstorf '59 and Michelle and Mary Henry '85



Rita Berkley '83 and John Davis



Sean, Dr. Patrick '79, and Colin Carroll



Karla '83, Erin, and Jeff '81 Blain



Don '81 and Mark Mucci



Megan and Leslie Hundley '90 Larkin

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Patti '76, Molly, and Jack '75 Holznecht



Mary Beth, Herman '83, Monica, and Sarah Potter



Fred '91, Anna, Beth, and Liz Ament



Mike Scharpf, Julie Denny Scharpf '84, Chris Scharpf, Tricia Denny '88, Jerry '54 and Jeanne Denny, Angela Suell Denny '84, and Brian Denny '84/88

## The Alumni Association Awards Dinner/Dance

**LOIS TAURMAN '83** is the 2006 **Alumna of the Year**. The award is given in recognition of efforts on behalf of the university. Taurman, a local attorney, was a three-sport star athlete at Bellarmine. She graduated in 1983 with a biology degree and was just weeks shy of earning a Bellarmine nursing degree when she was paralyzed in an accident in 1984. She went on to earn her nursing degree in 1985 as well as a master's degree in education and a law degree from the University of Louisville. She also continued to pursue her love of sports and has won national and international acclaim as a wheelchair athlete in both track and field and fencing. This past spring, the National Collegiate Athletics Association presented her with their "Inspiration Award."



Lois Taurman

The **Rev. Msgr. Alfred F. Horrigan Distinguished Service Award** was awarded to two recently retired faculty members. The co-winners of the award were **TOM KEMME**, who taught English for 40

Tom Kemme



years, and **MAUREEN NORRIS**, who served as dean and/or taught in the school of education for more than 25 years.



Maureen Norris

Bellarmine inducted six alumni into its **Gallery of Distinguished Graduates**: **CARL HERDE**, **KEVIN KRAMER**, **NANCY KREMER**, **JUDGE STEVE MERSHON**, **CHRIS MORRIS**, and **ROSEMARIE YOUNG**. The Gallery was established to recognize alumni who have distinguished themselves in professional accomplishment, community service or demonstration of attitudes consistent with Christian doctrines.

September 8, 2006



Rosemarie Young



Judge Steve Mershon



Kevin Kramer



Nancy Kremer



Chris Morris



Carl Herde

1962

**JOE REINHART**'s third book about the Civil War has been published by Kent State University Press. It is a book of translated and edited letters titled *August Willich's Gallant Dutchmen: War Letters from the 32nd Indiana Infantry*. Many of the letters were written by German immigrants who resided in Louisville. Mr. Reinhart is an independent scholar who lives in Louisville and specializes in Civil War research. His publications include *Two Germans in the Civil War: The Diary of John Daeuble* and *Letters of Gottfried Renscheler, 6th Kentucky Volunteer Infantry and A History of the 6th Kentucky Volunteer Infantry U.S.: The Boys Who Feared No Noise*.

1969

**ALBERT HODAPP** presented a paper titled "Media and Homework" at the National Association of School Psychologists Convention, March 2006, Anaheim, CA.

**CHARLES D. SUMMERS'** short story "Legend" was published in Fall 2005 issue of *The MacGuffin*. Mr. Summers, who graduated with a BA in History, has had a number of books and articles published since his retirement as a high school social studies teacher at Bullitt Central, in Shepherdsville, Kentucky. Mr. Summers is married to Janet Wine '73. They are the parents of Andrew D. Summers and Sarah R. Summers.

1970

**JOHN A. HARDIN** is a professor of history at Western Kentucky University. He is a co-editor of the *Kentucky African-American Encyclopedia*, a massive, multi-year project that will be housed at the University of Kentucky and will coordinate with scholars and historians from every university in the state. The *Encyclopedia*, which will honor African-Americans, is believed to be the first statewide encyclopedia devoted to black history in the country. For more information on the encyclopedia, visit [www.uky.edu/OtherOrgs/kaae/Site/Welcome](http://www.uky.edu/OtherOrgs/kaae/Site/Welcome). Bellarmine alumni are encouraged to submit possible entries or suggestions about Kentucky African Americans via the *Encyclopedia's* listserve: UK-KAAE@LSV.UKY.EDU.

1980

**TAMAR MARYA BYCZEK**, married Tom Yager of Arlington, Virginia, on May 13 at St. William Church in Louisville. The couple lives in Falls Church, Virginia, where Tamar works at Solar Energy Industries Associates.

1984

**JEFF FRAZIER** completed the The Spirit of Racine Triathlon in 6 1/2 hours. The triathlon is a 1.2 mile swim, a 56 mile bike and a 13 mile run.

1986

**AMELIA DEBUSMAN MCCARTY**, is Vice President, Ethics and Compliance with Cardinal Health, Inc. in Dublin, Ohio. She had served as in-house counsel to Ashland Inc for sixteen years. Amelia earned her J.D. from Chase College of Law in 1989. Amelia, her husband Bill and three daughters live in Hilliard, Ohio.

1991

**CRAIG C. DILGER**, a Louisville attorney, was unanimously re-elected to serve a second consecutive term as vice-chair of the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance. Dilger was appointed by the governor from names submitted by organizations demonstrating a nonpartisan interest in fair elections and informed voting. Dilger, a Louisville native, is a graduate of and the Salmon P. Chase College of Law. He is a member of the Labor and Employment and Business Litigation Practice Groups at Stoll Keenon Ogden PLLC. He is admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court, the United States District Courts in the Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky and the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. Prior to joining Stoll Keenon Ogden in 2001, Dilger served as an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney in Jefferson County. During his tenure as a prosecutor, he served as the Assistant Division Chief for the General Trial Unit and Assistant Division Chief for the Unified Special Prosecutions Unit. Dilger is a member of the American, Kentucky and Louisville Bar Associations, and a member of the American Inn of Court, Brandeis Chapter. He was recognized in March 2006 by *Louisville Magazine's* Best Lawyers Under Age 40 - "Pick of the Judges."

1992

**MICHAEL RILEY** is a Major in the U.S. Army, deployed in Afghanistan. He is married to Francie (Ludwig) Riley and they are the parents of Saunders, age 8, Regen, 7 and Alyssa, 2.

**STEVE DALY** has recently joined CIBER, Inc. as a Regional Director of Delivery for the Midwest and Florida. As Regional Director, Steve is responsible for managing delivery of professional services from nine offices. He also works with clients in the development of technology solutions.

1996

**KIMBERLY ANN COSTELLO** earned her Ed.S. in School Psychology from the University of Kentucky in 2001. She interned at the LSU Medical Center in New Orleans and worked part time at Loyola University. She is currently employed as a school psychologist in Atlanta, Georgia.

1997

**CHARLA (HAGMAN) PETERSON** and her husband Ed were married in October 2004. Their daughter Ella Riley Peterson was born on January 13, 2006.

1999

**FRAN CARNEY** and **JIMBO CARRICO** were married on December 30, 2005. They are making their home in Springfield, Kentucky.

2000

**TANYA (WHEELER) WOZNIAK**, Tanya graduated from the U of L School of Medicine in May 2005. She is currently in her second year of residency in Psychiatry. She is married to **CHAD WOZNIAK** '98 and they have a daughter, Samantha Jane, who was born on August 14, 2006.

**JENNIFER (PUGH) STEPHENS** welcomed Ayden Farrell Stephens into the world on April 22, 2004.

**SARA (VOLZ) SANDEFUR** and her husband Neil welcomed their baby daughter Kyla to their family on Sept 26, 2005. Kyla is reportedly the spittin' image of her daddy.

2002

**DR. HANNAH (SOROTA) HALL** married Dr. Dan Hall and graduated from Sherman College of Straight Chiropractic in South Carolina. The couple lives in St. Matthews and share a chiropractic practice on Hikes Lane. (Their web address is [www.hallfamilychiropractic.bravehost.com](http://www.hallfamilychiropractic.bravehost.com).)

**MICHAEL BUSH** works with financial planning firm Northwestern Mutual and is assistant varsity baseball coach at St. Xavier high school. He lives in Jeffersonton.

2003

**BOBBI PAYTON** is a Student Affairs Specialist I with Jefferson Community and Technical College. She recently won the Metro-Versity Adult Learner Staff Award for her district.

**TIFFANY CROSS** is conducting a research study at Bellarmine regarding community-acquired MRSA among athletes for her Masters Practicum. The environmental company she's connected with is involved as well by performing bacterial inspections. Dr. Ruth Carrico '81 is Tiffany's mentor and principal investigator on the research project.

2004

**NATHAN BUTLER** '05 and **JESSICA (HODSKINS) BUTLER** '04 were married on June 24 in Owensboro. They live in Louisville, where Nate is the Operations and Affiliate Relations Director for the Kentucky News Network and Jessica is the Marketing Coordinator for BTM Engineering, Inc.

**KATIE HALL**, 2004 alumna and current MBA student, and John Gardner are engaged to be married on November 11, 2007.

After graduating from Bellarmine with a B.A. in history, **KATRINA LEARY JOHNSON** was hired at North Hardin High School to teach Psychology and Geography/Government. She is the freshmen girls basketball coach, the freshmen and junior varsity volleyball coach and the head Beta Club sponsor. She's working on her Master's in Secondary Counseling at Western Kentucky University. Katrina also married Micah Johnson from Elizabethtown, KY, on June 9, 2006. They are living and working in Elizabethtown. Micah is a children's minister at a local church.

2005

**JEN THELEN** and **JAY PITTS** '04 are engaged to be married in July 2007.

2006

**BRIAN HERBERT** is serving with the Peace Corps as a Small Enterprise Development volunteer in Kitui, Kenya, Africa, one of the least developed areas of the country. Brian graduated from Bellarmine with a degree in computer information systems and a minor in business administration. Learn more about Brian's Peace Corps adventure and follow his experiences by visiting his blog at <http://brianherbert.com>.

## Keep in Touch.

Let us know what you've been up to.

E-mail updates to [mgonzalez@bellarmine.edu](mailto:mgonzalez@bellarmine.edu)

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## **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8**

### **Mock Interview Program**

Frazier Hall, 11 a.m.-Noon

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## **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9**

### **Happy Hour**

Shenanigans, 5-7 p.m.

### **Trivia Night**

Cralle Theater, 7-10 p.m.

### **Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner**

Frazier Hall, 6:15 Reception / 7:15 Dinner

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## **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10**

### **Homecoming Hoopla Tailgate**

SuRF Center, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

### **Homecoming Basketball Games**

Knights Hall

Women 1 p.m. / Men 3:15 p.m.

### **Boogie Nights Variety Show**

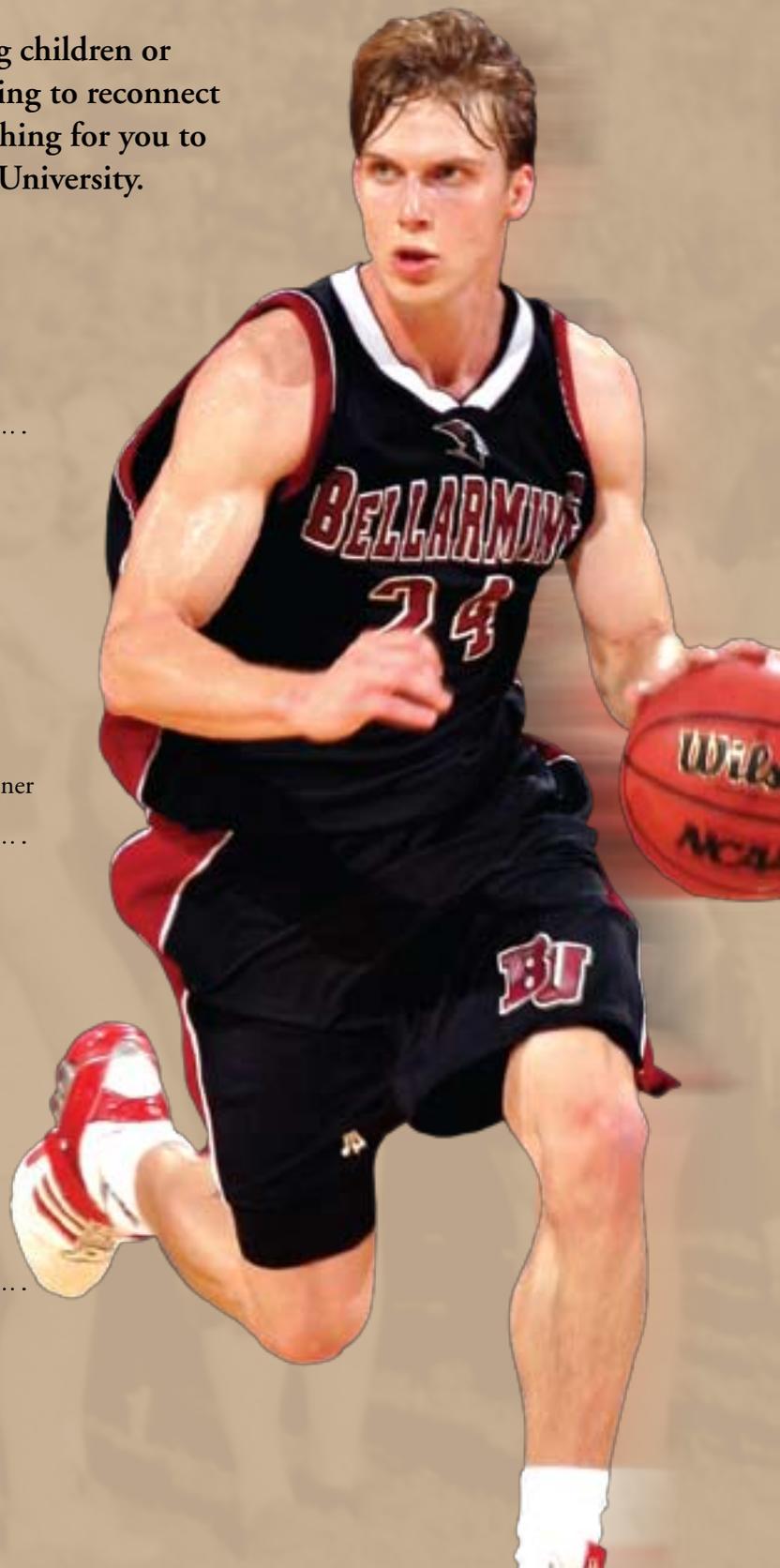
Cralle Theate, 8 p.m.-11:30 p.m.

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## **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11**

### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Society Brunch**

Glenview, 10 a.m.-Noon



## ARTHUR N. BECVAR STUDENT ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE ENDOWMENT

A better understanding of healthcare work does not always come through text education and lab experience. The Lansing School of Nursing and Health Sciences' Student Artist-in Residence program is a way for both health care workers and the general public to better understand this work by sharing artistic record of the health sciences.

Just this year, the program became the Arthur N. BecVar Student Artist-In-Residence Endowment through the generosity of Mrs. Arthur N. (Jayne) BecVar, who endowed the program in memory of her husband "Art." During Art's lifetime, the BecVars endowed a nursing scholarship fund in appreciation of the caring, ethical graduates of the Lansing School. This new endowment combines the BecVars' support for the Lansing school with their appreciation for diverse, creative talents. In fact, many in the BecVar family are artists in their own right, including last year's student artist-in-residence Beth BecVar (right), who is now a senior art and English major at Bellarmine.

The program, which is the only one of its kind in higher education, was initially kicked off during the 2002-03 school year by English faculty members Carole Pfeffer and Fred Smock. However, the original idea sprang from dean of the Lansing School, Dr. Sue Davis, who realized that the world of science and the artistic world are not two things one connects everyday. She wanted to create a program that would help bridge the gap between liberal arts students and health sciences students.

Abigail Gramig served as the first Artist-In-Residence for the 2003-04 school year. She and her successor, Jessica Hume (2004-05), were both poets, mentored by Smock, and they created poetry chapbooks for the nursing students and faculty. Beth BecVar followed in 2005-06 with Caren Cunningham as her mentor, and she created a painting that hangs in the nursing school. This year, junior Emily Ruppel will also create visual art as the 2006-2007 Student Artist-In-Residence.



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