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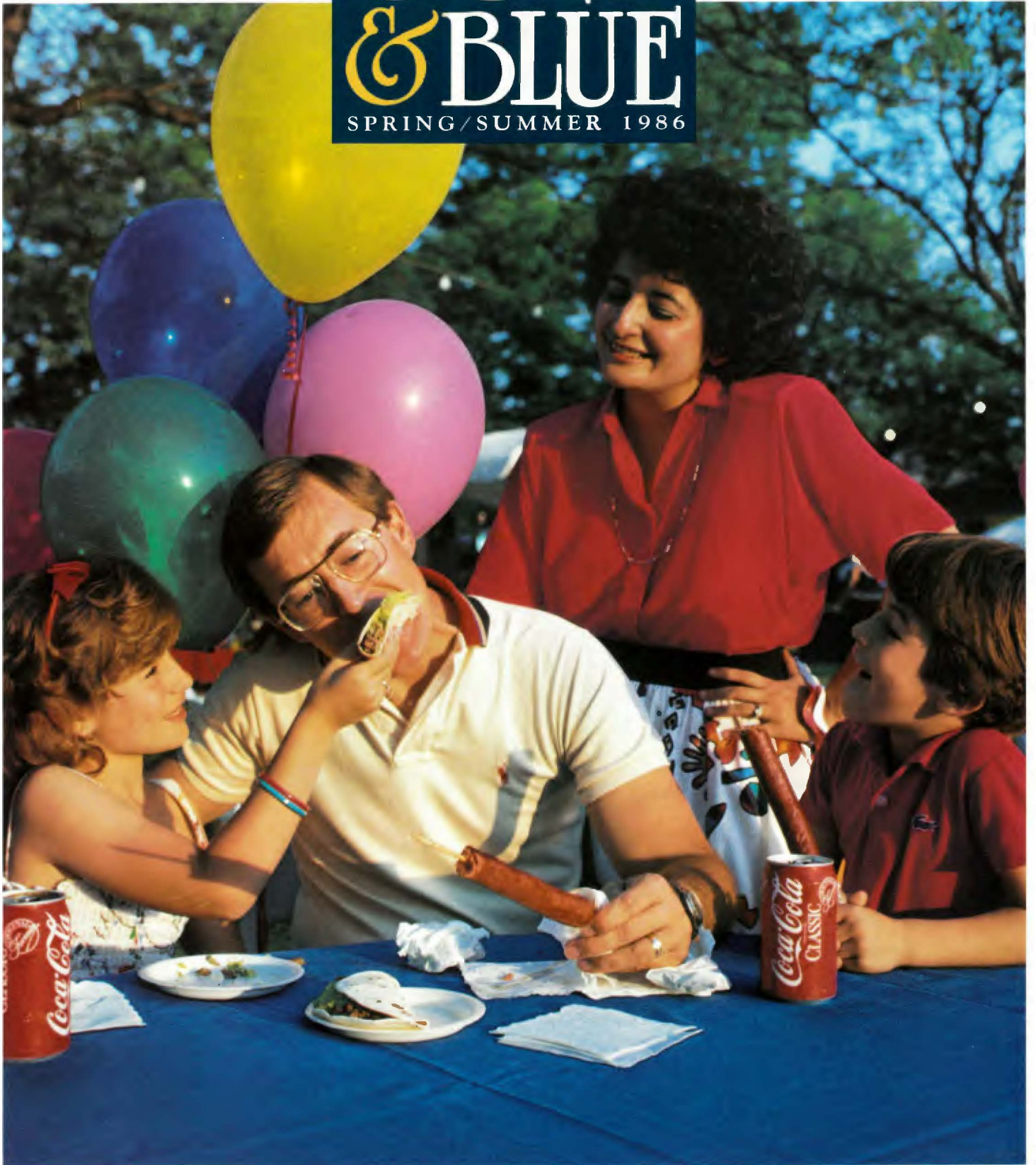
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Cover

The Kohnen family having a good time at Homecoming Oyster Bake are Jennifer, 10, and Ryan, 5, with parents Linda (BA '69) and Rich, who also attended St. Mary's, where the couple met. Linda chaired this year's Homecoming Oyster Bake and also the alumni booths at Fiesta Oyster Bake. She is in her third year of service on the alumni association board of directors.

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EDITOR'S COLUMN

Homecoming. It's an emotional word that seems to instantly give a feeling of family.

So in celebrating the good times of Homecoming '86, we decided to make the theme for this issue, the family — its pains, its perils and its hope for the future.

In the cover story we hear from faculty who prepare students to be professional counselors and, in the case of the Family Life Center, who at the same time offer low-cost help to troubled individuals and families in the community.

Though the specialists interviewed are candid about the complex problems confronting marriage and family, they also see positive signs that these embattled institutions may come through a difficult transition period stronger than ever.

Throughout that story, there is the sense that everyone wants to belong. And when we turn to the story about how some Marianists see their calling, we find that those in religious vocations feel no different. "What the world needs is a sense of belonging, of family," comments Brother Ed Violet, S.M. (BBA '82). It becomes clear that while Society of Mary members give up the opportunity for marriage and children of their own, they are doubly blessed — they have the support of their own families plus the close-knit Marianist family that embraces them.

For our Academe article by a faculty writer, we succumbed to the contagious sesquicentennial fever that has gripped Texas in this 150th year of independence. Still thinking along family lines, we asked noted historian Dr. Donald Cutter to tell us who really were the first families to settle in San Antonio. It turns out that as much as things change, they're apt to stay the same. For just as San Antonio today is very much a military city, so way back then were military families the backbone of the first settlement.

Cutter believes that what makes history come alive is people, because people can relate to people with much more understanding than to programs and plans. With that philosophy, he's created an absorbing human drama from the Canary Islanders' saga.

— *Sylvia A. McLaren*

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THE FAMILY IN TRANSITION

The Pressures and the Possibilities

by Susan G. Yerkes

Statistics indicate that 40 percent of the couples who marry in 1986 will eventually divorce. More than 80 percent of them will at least strongly consider divorce. 1983 figures record 61 million families in the United States. More than 11 million of them were headed by a single parent — over 9 million by the mother.

Statistics like these are only a rough indication of facts that most Americans know well — that the pressures on families have increased dramatically in this decade; that divorce is epidemic; that even apparently solid relationships face overwhelming pressures of time, of money, of a society in transition.

“We’re living in a high-tech society that has leaped over the industrial revolution,” says Dr. Ron Mellen, chairman of the St. Mary’s University department of counseling and human services.

Coping with Values

“We are the prototype. We’re on the cutting edge of trying to cope with technology and the challenges it brings to our value system. So we as a culture must live through this epoch, experience it constantly, and assess ourselves as we go along.” Over the

past three decades, increasing emphasis has been placed on the specter of the break-up of the traditional American family. Today, counselors, sociologists, psychologists and ministers devote much of their resources to family counseling, trying to help people deal with that “cutting edge.” Dr. Homer Bain of the Ecumenical Center for Religion and Health in San Antonio works with family issues on a daily basis.

“When society is in transition, the so-called nuclear family is under extreme stress,” Bain declares.

“There are more single-parent families, more step-parents. The nuclear family has always been very fragile at best. It’s always needed some sort of extended family clan support groups — church, friends, education or growth activities.

Too Much Isolation

“Today, there’s too much isolation. The most obvious example is the single-parent family. These days professionals — counselors and psychologists — have become an important part of that support network people claim they’ve lost. We meddle in family business, and do a lot of the things the extended family used to do.”

Opposite page, Dr. Grace Luther, Family Life Center director, demonstrates how counseling sessions can be supervised through a two-way mirror. The models are students and former students.

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The most common problem Bain confronts at the Ecumenical Center is conflict between marriage partners. Many of his clients are in their 50s and 60s.

“Increasingly, people are thinking of their lives in stages,” he says. “And they’re thinking, ‘Why should I keep doing this if it’s not satisfying me?’”

“That’s the freedom aspect. Yet there’s a lifetime aspect to consider, too. There’s a lot of suffering in that situation, and I think many times it’s just that too many people are trying to be everything to each other — and that’s almost impossible.”

Uprooted Families

“I find the main stress on families is just trying to deal with our culture,” says Dr. Grace Luther, director of the Family Life Center at St. Mary’s.

“Families are called on to adapt to so many changes. For example, to move around so much. A person loses a job, or moves, perhaps divorces and remarries. There’s so much that uproots whole families. There’s a tremendous feeling of powerlessness — of not being in control. When Challenger exploded, for instance, it appeared over and over on living room TV sets across America. The whole thing was so unexpected, and children were watching, thinking it could happen to their mothers or fathers. There’s a great loss of security in this culture. Parents have to answer kids’ questions and deal with kids’ fears, and they just don’t have time or the skills to do it.”

Master’s Program

Dr. Luther, a Marianist sister, and clinical director Dr. Rick Bruhn oversee interns in the master’s program in marriage and family therapy.

“This is both a place for therapy and a training center for our students,” Luther explains.

There are several rooms furnished for individual or family therapy, group work and seminars. Each has a bright play-space for children. In the

supervision suite, closed-circuit video cameras record trainees’ therapy sessions with clients. A wall telephone lets observing supervisors Luther and Bruhn call in comments to the therapists-in-training.

The center offers supervised family therapy to people in the community on a sliding fee scale that allows clients to pay for services based on their income. Clients come from as far as Floresville and Corpus Christi to seek help for problems — each different, yet typical of the strains of modern family life.

“Many of this generation have lost the expectation that marriage is forever, especially if they are the children of broken marriages,” says Bruhn.

Patterns Repeated

“We rely on the families we grew up in for our images of how to relate to a spouse and raise children, and we are likely to repeat the patterns we learned in our family of origin.”

The list of problems the center deals with are many and complex: Finances. Infidelity. Drug Abuse. Parenting. Erosion of confidence. Inability to handle children. Discipline problems. Children with low self-esteem. Severe coping problems. Incest. Physical abuse. “We see a lot of cases with violence involved, or sexual abuse,” Luther says.

“I’m not sure the incidence is actually increasing, I think it’s just becoming more open. People are starting to admit these things. Since the law has made it mandatory to report known child abuse, more cases are coming forward. After ‘The Burning

Bed’ — the TV movie with Farrah Fawcett about spouse abuse — we got numerous calls asking for help.

Opening Doors

“The Department of Human Resources reports so much increase in caseload they had to stop doing therapy follow up. They’re responding to so many cases. All they can do is process them. I think the new laws have opened the doors to people to get help with their problems. When they see there are thousands of others with the same problem, they feel less threatened about admitting it.”

Parent-Child Education

A recent addition to the Family Life Center’s offerings is a parent-child education program. “The concept in itself is not a new one, but rests on Adlerian principles,” Luther says. “It’s been around the United States for years. But we’re very excited about applying it here.”

The process involves assembling a group of up to 30 people made up of families who want to improve their parenting and communication skills. The families involved take turns as a “focus” family each week for explanation and group discussion of common concerns.

“The framework rests on the fact that children in a home want to belong,” Luther says. “If they can’t do it appropriately, they will seek inappropriate methods — clowning, fighting, or simply withdrawing. This kind of educational process may stop problems before they get out of hand.”

While the Family Life Center deals with the problems of off-campus clients and provides training for graduate students preparing to be counselors in marriage and family therapy, the University Counseling Center’s primary purpose is to help students succeed in their academic and personal lives.

Help for Students

Freshmen, for instance, are required

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to take a course in personal and academic development to help ease transition to university life, increase self-understanding, develop interpersonal relationship skills, explore and clarify academic and career goals, and develop effective time management.

“As well, there is strong emphasis in our program on individual counseling for students with any difficulties that may be impeding their academic and personal life,” says center director Dr. Brad Brunson.

Included in the center’s concerns is helping married students prepare for life as dual-career couples.

“The success expectations of our society are definitely impinging on families today,” Brunson notes.

“Today it’s very unusual for two people not to be in a dual career relationship. We’re seeing a different male-female parental role, sometimes with brothers and sisters as surrogate parents.

Nuclear Age

“The stresses have been on families all along,” Brunson observes. “They’re just in a different shape. Times are different. We’re living in the nuclear age. College students today were born into a world where the possibilities of nuclear benefits and a nuclear holocaust face us all the time.”

According to Brunson, learning to express intimacy is one of the keys to psychological health in the 20th century.

“Ask any student or faculty member about intimacy, and he’ll say ‘sexuality’. But it also involves sharing, caring, and so forth. I think oftentimes we forget that closeness is the basis of good relationships.”

As president of the Texas University and College Counseling Directors Association, Brunson is familiar with the kinds of family problems that afflict students across the state.

“The association has 75 member institutions representing five million students, and at every one of the

counseling centers the number of students seeking help is up — often because they’re actively seeking growth and development,” he says. “People want to improve their lives and we can serve as agents for change.

“These days, a woman doesn’t have to marry for support. Marriage is more and more conceived as a partnership, but there can be time to develop it only if a couple schedules it.

Relationship Pressures

“Take students in a relationship. One may have to leave for a job. The pulls on the relationship are enormous. Job opportunities and career moves for young women have increased, and they don’t want to give up their careers anymore.”

One of the specific problems receiving much attention in campus counseling is that of eating disorders, especially with women. On a national level, some professionals estimate that more than 20 percent of college-age women are afflicted either with anorexia — deliberate starvation — or bulimia, a binge-purge cycle of eating.

“It’s not epidemic here, but we certainly are seeing it,” Brunson says.

“Many people in the profession see eating disorders as a family issue. It’s often based on self-esteem issues, and the family certainly plays a part. Ninety-five percent of the people with these problems are women, but occasionally men show up. It’s often associated with over-protective families.

“Some families send a young woman off to school without really realizing it
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MARRIAGE AND FAMILY EXPLORED THROUGHOUT CURRICULUM

Since its inception a decade ago, St. Mary’s graduate degree program in counseling with a specialization in marriage and family therapy has graduated 59 individuals. They are performing important caring work in social agencies, church-sponsored services and in private practice. Some are using their skills as an adjunct to careers such as nursing, teaching, ministry and personnel management. The program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education, American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy.

Two other counseling specializations offered are mental health and substance abuse. These graduates also are working as dedicated counselors in schools, community and mental health agencies, alcohol and drug abuse programs, family counseling centers, child and adolescent programs, social service agencies and in private practice.

Throughout St. Mary’s curriculum, many other departments such as theology, sociology and psychology present courses that impinge on and explore marriage and family relationships

FAMILY VIOLENCE:

A Painful Search For Answers

St. Mary's Efforts To Help Abusers

Domestic violence. We hear so much about it these days, that it seems as if the incidence must be rising.

The response from experts is either "not so," or "we just don't know."

Because statistics on child abuse, wife-battering and husband-beating are relatively new, there is no scientific basis for comparison with earlier times, when to spare the rod was said to spoil the child; when servants and slaves were subject to sexual abuse and merciless beatings; and when women were harshly disciplined as a husband's rightful chattel.

Family violence, only recently given official recognition and attention, has begun to be documented with shocking results. In Bexar County, where St. Mary's is located, the District Attorney's Office has operated a special Family Violence Unit since October 1983. Their records show that up to December 1985, they dealt with 2,220 spouse victims (males and females) of some type of abuse, including harassment. Of that number, 595 cases were prosecuted and 272 victims received court protection. The unit's statistics on child abuse are even more recent. They show that from September through December 1985, 134 abused children passed through their hands.

by Sylvia A. McLaren

What is different about family violence today is not the incidence, but the fact that society is no longer willing to tolerate such brutality. Among the search for answers are widespread airing of the problem and more encouragement to victims to report abuse, so that they may seek legal help and protection. As well, society is attempting to help abusers understand their problems and work on modifying their attitudes and behavior.

One of many such programs operates at St. Mary's Family Life Center. Called the Domestic Violence Diversion Program, it targets men who have been charged with assaulting their wives or women friends. It is modeled on the Family Violence Diversion Network of Child and Family Services, Inc., which was successfully implemented in Austin.

St. Mary's program is a cooperative effort developed by Judge Leticia Ann Luna of the San Antonio Municipal Domestic Violence Court; Marlene Labenz-Hough, casework supervisor of the Family Resources Division of the San Antonio Department of Human Resources and Services; and Dr.

Rick Bruhn, clinical director of St. Mary's Family Life Center.


Prior to each defendant's appearance at the court arraignment, he is interviewed by Leticia Pettus, caseworker in the Family Resources Division of the Department of Human Resources and Services. Her role is to determine each defendant's eligibility for participation in a program of group education sessions at St. Mary's.

If the defendant pleads guilty and admits to a history of violence toward a wife or female friend, he is considered to be a potential candidate for the program.

After considering the caseworker's recommendation, the judge decides if participation in the program is appropriate for the offender. Those selected and who agree to enroll in the program are granted deferred fines and jail sentences. Instead they pay \$50 to attend St. Mary's program of 12-week group sessions, comprising two hours a week.

"Very often these men grew up in families where hitting was what was





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done,” Bruhn says. “They don’t know other options, or how to cool down.

“We teach them thinking skills, communication techniques, new ways to relax, how to get in touch with their feelings. They don’t know that it’s okay to have angry feelings and develop acceptable ways to deal with them. We challenge their behavior in a caring way.”

Characteristics most abusers share, Bruhn says, include low self-esteem.

“They don’t feel good about themselves and they work very hard to cover it up. They have poor communication skills and poor impulse control, and they also have strong feelings of dependence on the person they abuse — a psychological need for that person to take care of them.”

The victims of abusers have similar characteristics, Bruhn says. They too have a poor self-image and are inarticulate communicators, sometimes remaining with battering husbands because shame prevents them from telling others about their treatment.

Like their abusers, they are often from homes where men have beaten their wives and children. Thus, they are also caught up in a pattern. They have learned to be victims and to treat physical abuse as acceptable behavior, so they often tend to make excuses for their husbands.

“We look upon the family as a system,” Bruhn emphasizes. “We study how the members relate to each other. One thing we see is a circular pattern. Certain behavior goes in a circle and each individual participates in the family cycle. We don’t say it’s one person’s fault. With difficulties in the family system or marital system, individuals each have a share . . . bringing with them family legacies . . . acting out family roles.”

Many abusers, Bruhn believes, lose conscious awareness of what they are doing when enraged.

“It’s almost as if they were operating on automatic pilot. It’s my belief that if they were violently abused in childhood, they are responding to what happened to them then. Without knowing it, they are living out a painful past and experiencing feelings similar to the frustrations they felt in childhood — in a sense bridging the gap between childhood and adulthood. Now they can strike out.”

In his private practice, Bruhn says hypnosis sometimes helps such abusers.

“It can be helpful in assisting them to go back and examine those early experiences — in trying to help them bring that past back into their awareness. Some people can change when they have insight. But that’s one part only. The other part is helping them to change behavior patterns. Different people respond to different

approaches and it is the therapist’s job to try to figure out which way or combination of ways is most going to help that person.”

One of the great advantages of the men’s groups in St. Mary’s Domestic Violence Diversion Program is the sharing of problems, Bruhn points out. They sense that they are not alone, and this realization tends to reinforce their efforts to change.

“After a while, the men start to lose their defiance; the belief that how they reacted was justifiable, ‘natural.’ In confronting one another, they begin to re-think their attitudes. Begin to recognize danger cues. By the end of the sessions they have a support network among one another — a sense of cohesiveness. They know by then that violence is not their only option.”

An acknowledged weakness of the program that the organizers are working on is that the victims are not included.

“We are planning to try to bring them together in an experimental group,” Bruhn says.

Cautious in predicting long-term success for everyone in the program, Bruhn says:

“Remember, some of these individuals have been abusers over long periods — anywhere from 20 to 50 years. You just don’t break habits like that and modify behavior in a few weeks. All we can do is educate — help them learn to understand themselves and their reactions, practice non-violent ways to vent their anger, and realize the danger and futility of violence.

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means she's going to embark on a career. She comes home from school, say at Easter break, and the family may focus on prospective husbands.

“But on the other hand, the majority of the families of St. Mary's students are very, very supportive. This is very much a family-oriented institution, and strong family ties here are really positive.”

Father Ed Everitt, director of Campus Ministry for the Catholic Archdiocese, works out of an office at San Antonio College. He has taught marriage and family courses at St. Mary's and serves as director of campus ministry for the University Health Science Center at San Antonio.

Primary Nurturer

“One of the things we see constantly in this society,” Everitt says, “is that as women enter the work force — that is, assume what used to be traditional male roles — we end up with a lot of so-called ‘super-women’. A woman like this contributes significantly to the family income while continuing to be the primary nurturer and housekeeper. So she goes to bed a little more tired at the end of the day.

“There's also an identity crisis for men, who have traditionally considered themselves the decision-makers. There's really a lag in male-female adjustment to the new career emphasis for women. Statistics show that most of us get our role models from within our own family structures. We really haven't developed good role models yet for the present situation.”

Like Dr. Luther, Everitt agrees that family therapy must deal with the whole family.

“When people come in,” he explains, “one family member is usually identified as the problem. But in fact, we perceive the family system as one that needs to be changed. Television has really limited our intimacy,” he continues.

Single Parenting

“Families spend large parts of their

time at home elbow-to-elbow in front of the TV instead of eyeball-to-eyeball with each other.”

Single parenting is another issue Everitt sees as creating frequent problems.

“It starts with divorce — a horrible trauma. The single parent tends to be a woman, which means she suddenly has to change her life radically in terms of becoming the primary provider. Her life may become totally lacking in intimacy. Our society is built on families — that's true of the church as well. Some churches are providing organizations for single parents and divorced members — but basically, churches are made for traditional families.

“At least they're getting involved in the problem — that's a beginning. But when people are permanently single, there's still a void. Hopefully, their families of origin can provide closeness. But many people still end up looking for love in singles bars.”

Within marriage, Everitt sees money as one of the most troublesome issues.

Financial Problems

“Financial struggles are very, very prominent in many family situations. No matter how much you have, it's not enough, so there's this drive to make more and more. We are just not turned on by a simple lifestyle anymore. Our lives are very complicated and expensive.

“I think drug abuse, alcohol abuse, increased infidelity, compulsive habits like excess caffeine and workaholism are based on the stresses of society. I think I see more plain depression than

anything.”

Professor Wayne Ferguson of St. Mary's School of Business and Administration agrees that financial stresses can be tough for families. But he is quick to add that some of the overall changes taking place now point to positive developments for the future.

Affluent Expectations

“Sixty-two percent of women between 20 and 55 years old are in, or have been in, the workplace,” Ferguson says. “More than 50 percent of all families in the United States have dual incomes. More women are finding it fulfilling to work.

“The expectations of many of this generation of young professionals stem from being raised in fairly affluent lifestyles. For example, a 30-year-old man makes \$35,000 to \$40,000 a year. For him to have the lifestyle he wants, he requires an income of \$60,000. Therefore, he may have to have a wife who also works.

“So what I see is some basic family expectations changing. I think it's a good thing. Our most under-utilized resource in the world is women, and I think it's a great thing that those who want to, and who are able to, have the opportunity to find challenging work in the business world.”

Everitt, too, sees some positive adjustments.

“There's plenty of evidence that people are marrying later, delaying having children. They're more careful about mate selection. I think couples, especially the older they are when they marry, are apt to choose an egalitarian model of marriage, where they both have a sense of equality.”

Dr. Luther also sees progress. “For one thing, the public schools are really trying to respond to some of the things families aren't providing. They're getting counselors and teachers to deal more with family stress. They're having consultants at school workshops talk about identifying family problems with children, and

“There’s really a lag in male-female adjustment to the new career emphasis for women.”

what to do about them.

“I can see a difference in what churches are doing now as compared with what they were doing 10 years ago. Many are into family ministry, family programs, single groups and divorced groups. And for married couples, there are things like marriage-encounter and couples-training workshops that can foster quality in relationships or revitalize them.”

Hopeful Signs

Dr. Ron Mellen is optimistic about the future of the family. “The research I’m reading seems to reflect stabilization of the divorce rate. I think that’s because adult children of divorced families are having second thoughts about leaping in and out of relationships.

“There’s also a general feeling about the cost of divorce to our own children. A lot of divorced people today are repeaters. Many have already experienced the negative consequences of divorce. The financial consequence is minor compared to the long-term emotional consequence. Those people are in less of a hurry to repeat their mistakes.”

Self-Knowledge Needed

To Mellen, communication is the key to family stability. “The first issue is communicate — both with oneself — ‘What do I really want?’ — and to the partner. You can’t have a healthy marriage unless you learn about yourself. In unhealthy marriages, there’s less self-exploring and more blaming of the other person.”

According to Mellen, all the “tangential” issues of marriage such as step-children, financial pressures, and responsibility conflicts, can be dealt with through improved communication. Sexuality, too, he believes, can be dealt with by understanding one’s partner.

“In cases where serious conflicts arise, couples must put serious effort into solving problems.”

The very nature of our society can

often get in the way of family stability, he emphasizes.

“The press of time is one of the major problems with family problem-solving,” Mellen notes.

“In many middle class cases, individuals have the awareness of how helpful counseling can be, and they have the financial means to find out how to deal with their problems. They just have trouble taking the time.

“Today, I think we have sufficient data to resolve many of our problems. Another real question is, do we have a culture that is caring enough to invest money in lower economic classes to help provide the tools that can give their families stability?”

Guidance Needed

“If those people are given the same information and the same chance that’s available to the middle class through therapists and counseling, they will use it. The poor and the very young in this country need a lot of guidance.”

Mellen believes reports of the death of the family are greatly exaggerated.

“What we’re finding in America today is a re-evaluation of basic values.

“There are certain premises that make our culture unique. We value individual freedom — where the Russians, for example, value security, and the Japanese value tradition.

“For each culture, the survival of the family depends on redefining and integrating our values into a technological age, and taking the time to understand one another as we grow. As we learn these new skills, I think marriage and the family will not only survive — they will improve!”

CAMPUS MINISTRY PROMOTES FAMILY FEELING

If St. Mary’s is home away from home for its students, then who takes the place of “family”?

The Campus Ministry team members at the university would hope that they help provide a nurturing, caring environment much like the one students left back home.

In addition to just being there to listen, Campus Ministry staff work in the residence halls, getting to know students personally, channeling them into activities that are meaningful. Working together, side by side, in social ministries for children, the poor and the elderly, students gain a sense of togetherness, of family.

Campus Ministry also hosts prayer luncheons and annual retreats — for faculty and staff as well as students — to promote a family feeling among members of the university community.

Susan G. Yerkes is a San Antonio free-lance writer whose articles have appeared in major newspapers and magazines in the U.S. and abroad.

Around the Quad

Dr. Robert V. West Jr.



Dr. John P. Howe III



Dr. Martin Goland



Marianist Forum

Over 120 staff, faculty and administrators attended a Marianist Forum to discuss the Marianist presence on campus. Discussion groups suggested that Marianists continue to meet with the university community to share their ideals and to encourage lay involvement in the Marianist ministry and mission.

Jubilarians

Seven Marianist brothers and priests celebrated a combined total of 350 years of service to God and the community in a Jubilee Mass and reception held at St. Mary's. It's been 60 years since Brothers Herbert Boeck, Andrew Cremer, Edwin Goerd, Joseph Toups and Rev. John G. Leies took their vows in the Society of Mary. Marking 25-year anniversaries were Rev. Gerry Hammel and Brother James Jaekle.

Board Members

New members of the St. Mary's University board of trustees are Dr. Martin Goland, president, Southwest Research Institute; Dr. John P. Howe III, president, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio; and Dr. Robert V. West Jr., chairman of the board, Tesoro Petroleum Corp. Elected to the school's trustee advisory board are Charles Martin Wender, president, Charles Martin Wender Inc.; Dan F. Parman, president, Parman Investments Inc.; Ricardo Longoria, vice chairman of the board, Alfri; Tom Turner, chairman of the board, TETCO Inc.; G. "Jim" Hasslocher, president, Frontier Enterprises; and David Saks, president, Omni Interests.

Faculty Awards

Six faculty members received Distinguished Faculty Awards at the Alumni Association Faculty Appreciation Dinner. Award winners from the five schools are Professor Ruben Candia, languages, and Dr. Edna Fiedler, psychology, School of Humanities and Social Sciences; Dr. Rosemarie Synek, biology, School of Science, Engineering and Technology; Professor Edward J. Lodell, marketing, School of Business and Administration; Dr. Willibrord T. Silva, psychology, Graduate School; and Professor Orville C. Walker, School of Law.

Two faculty members were also recognized for more than 20 years service. They are Dr. Fernando Rivas, professor of languages, and the Rev. Louis Reile, director of the school's cinema arts and creator of HemisFilm festival of cinema.

Gifts

James Castleberry Jr., dean of the School of Law, has been honored with a professorship in his name established by Frank J. Scanio Jr. Scanio's \$150,000 gift, added to his 1984 donation of \$50,000, endows the professorship in oil and gas law. Annual interest income from the total \$200,000 endowment will serve as a salary supplement to professors teaching oil and gas law.

A \$25,000 gift has been donated for the construction of an Athletics Hall of Fame foyer within the proposed new athletics/convocation complex. The gift was presented by Kenneth L. Crosswell (BA '42), a member of the St. Mary's board of trustees.

St. Mary's chemistry department

was the recipient of \$10,000 in equipment donated by Texaco Inc. Four omniscrite recorders, two integrators, a liquid chromatograph, a varian recorder and a dionex ion chromatograph were presented to Brother William J. Chewning, department chair.

The Marianist Trust has contributed \$100,000 to *The Campaign for St. Mary's*. The donation represents the first half of the Society of Mary's pledge to the \$28.5-million campaign.

Health Care Award

The School of Science, Engineering and Technology selected Sister Angela Clare Moran, president and chief executive officer of Santa Rosa Medical Center, as recipient of the school's 1986 Marian Health Care Award. She was chosen for her outstanding dedication to the health-care profession and the community.

Athletics

Basketball team members Pete Hansen and Anthony Houston have been named National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) All-District players from among the eight Texas universities in District IV.

The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) selected St. Mary's University as the host institution for the 1986 NAIA National Women's Fast-Pitch Softball Tournament. Buddy Meyer, athletics director, served as tournament director for the sixth annual championship.

Theology Article

"Conversation That Puts Community at Risk," a feature article by Rev. Bernard Lee, theology, has

Sister Angela Clare Moran



Kelly Chapman



Brother Louis Schuster



been published in *Gathering*, a periodical for Basic Christian Communities. Lee is one of 15 process theologians from the United States invited to participate in a conference in "Liberation Theology and Process Theology" in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Peace With Justice

Peace with Justice Week, observed on campus April 4-10, included a skills workshop for professional student counselors and a panel discussion on pro-armament and nuclear freeze. In a faculty symposia on the Bishop's Pastoral Letter on Catholic Social Teaching and the U.S. Economy, political science professors Dr. Henry Flores and Dr. Philip Meeks discussed "The U.S. and World Economy." Rev. J. Willis Langlais, theology, Rev. John Moder, philosophy, and Brother Tom Hoffman, political science, spoke on "The Christian and Ethical Norms." Keynote speaker was Ronald T. Krietemeyer, chief staff person to the special committee of bishops that prepared the first draft of the Pastoral Letter on the Catholic Social Teaching and the U.S. Economy. John Moore, music department, coordinated the Concert in the Cause of Peace that featured music written especially to kick off the week's activities. The St. Mary's President's Peace Commission arranged the event.

Family Life Award

The Family Life Center selected Kelly Chapman, KENS-TV anchor and host of the San Antonio's station's "Missing Children" segment, to receive the annual Grace Luther Award for service to families.

Minorities Forum

Congressman Henry B. Gonzalez (JD '43) and San Antonio councilwoman Maria Berriozabal, together with Professor Vine Deloria Jr., a noted author and founder of the University of Arizona's graduate program in Indian policy studies, participated in a round-table forum to discuss "Minorities, Women and Politics in the 1980s." The political science department and the school's Student Services Office sponsored the trio's appearance.

Banking Research

Confidence in bankers is the highest among persons who are just above poverty level, according to research by Dr. Joan Lamm and Dr. Charles Weaver, school of business, and J.S. Cummins, a graduate of St. Mary's M.B.A. program. Their conclusions mirror the downward trend of public confidence in the '70s toward upper management, labor, media, medicine, science and the military. They presented the paper at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Economics Association.

Yarrito Appointment

Fernando Yarrito, admissions, has been appointed to the Future Programs and Projects Committee of the National Association of College Admissions Counselors. Committee members will develop policy recommendations for NACAC services and recommend new directions, programs and projects for the 3,000-member organization.

Shakespeare Paper

Brother Louis Schuster, English,

delivered a paper on Shakespeare's personality at the American Shakespeare Convention in Montreal. Schuster, a recognized international Shakespearean authority, believes that Shakespeare's personality stands out most clearly through the words of Falstaff, Hamlet, Macbeth and other great characters.

Dante Memorial

Kappa Sigma fraternity members bicycled to Port Aransas in the spring to raise money for the Leukemia Society of America, Inc. "Bike to the Beach" was organized in memory of the late Tom Dante, a fraternity brother who died of leukemia in May 1985 on the weekend he would have graduated from St. Mary's.

Visiting Scientist

St. Mary's was selected to participate in the Visiting Scientists for Minority Institutions program sponsored by the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology. The visitor was Dr. Klaus W. Beyenbach (BA '68), a specialist in renal physiology at Cornell University.

Students Who's Who

Fifty-four St. Mary's students have been named to the 1986 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. Selections for the annual directory are based on academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

Valley Forge Honor

Brother Paul Goelz, Ph.D., director of the Algur H. Meadows Center for

Brother Paul Goelz, Ph.D.



Dr. Cynthia Webster



Dr. Marian Schultz



Entrepreneurial Studies, received the Valley Forge Honor Certificate for Excellence in the category of published works. The award given by the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge was for his article, "The Moral Imperative of the Market System of Economics."

Marketing Study

Dr. Cynthia Webster, marketing, will travel to Paris, France, this summer to present her paper, "The Identification of Variables and the Evaluation of Forecasting Techniques for Determining the Success Rate of New Products," at the Sixth Annual International Symposium on Forecasting. The paper will be published by INSEAD, a publication of the European Institute of Business Administration.

Foreign Students

St. Mary's had 124 foreign students enrolled from 34 countries this spring. Countries with the highest representation are Peru with 23 students; Mexico, 12 students; Taiwan, 11; and Jordan, 8. Business administration and engineering were the choices of the undergraduate students, while the foreign graduates chose economics, business administration and public and institutional administration.

Judges' Training

Law professors Vincent Johnson and Gerald Reamey conducted a continuing education course on constitutional law and professional responsibility for Texas municipal court judges. The program was sponsored by the Texas Municipal Courts Training Center.

Novelists Reviewed

One of the top journals for Latin American literature has published "Escritura y Palabra: Aire tan Dulce de Elvira Orphee" ("Writing and the Word: Where the Air is Sweet by Elvira Orphee"), an article written by Dr. Gwendolyn Diaz, English department. The prestigious *Revista Iberoamericana* is published out of the University of Pittsburg. The article is a look at possible differences in the narratives of male and female novelists.

Campus Radio

Proceeds from "Radiofest '86" held on campus will benefit the St. Mary's Radio Broadcasting Organization's goal to resurrect a campus radio station.

"Superwomen" Panel

Dr. Rose Marie Cutting, English; Dr. Edna Fiedler, psychology; and Dr. Alice Franzke, sociology, presented a panel discussion on "Today's Superwomen" to 500 teachers from the North East School District in San Antonio. The panel was part of in-service training at the Regional Professional Improvement Conference for district home economics teachers.

Ergonomics

Dr. Marian Schultz, management, presented her paper titled "Ergonomics: Human Factor Engineering and the Video Display Terminal" at the 1986 Economic and Business Historical Society Conference in Atlanta.

Honor Students

St. Mary's annual spring Honors Day recognized 498 students whose academic achievement earned them

places on the fall semester dean's list in their area of study. In the fields of humanities, social sciences, science, engineering, technology and business administration, 113 students with a perfect 4-point average attained highest honors; and 223 with 3.33 to 3.66 earned honors. Also receiving recognition were 58 students cited for ranking in the top 10 percent of the law school student body.

Physical Plant

"The Peril of PCB," a paper written by physical plant director Charles W. Jenkins, was published in the *Association of Physical Plant Administrators Newsletter*, the official newsletter of the nationwide organization for universities and colleges. Another article, "Building Renovations Using Simplified Plans and Specifications" appeared in the March newsletter of the Central States Regional APPA. St. Mary's served as the host institution for the 1986 annual meeting of Texas Association of Physical Plant Administrators.

Psychodrama Workshop

The Family Life Center presented a workshop for professional counselors and students on using psychodrama as a therapeutic tool. Neil Kaplan, Ph.D., staff psychologist and director of family therapy at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Houston, conducted the workshop.

by Irma Guerrero

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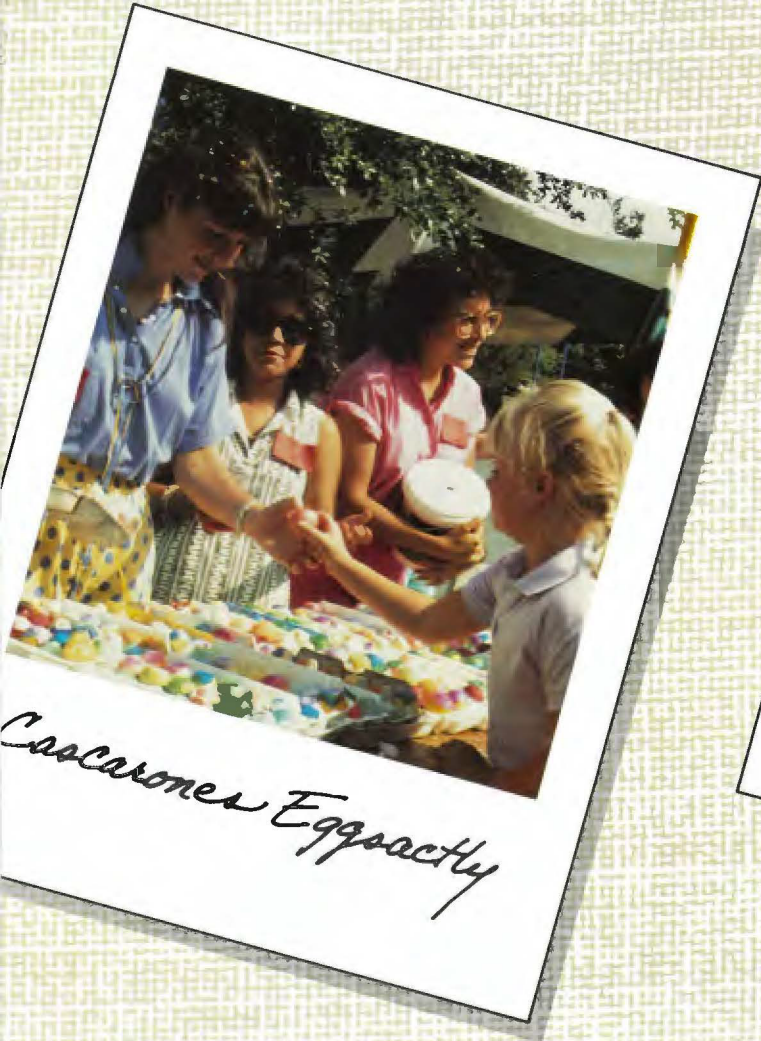


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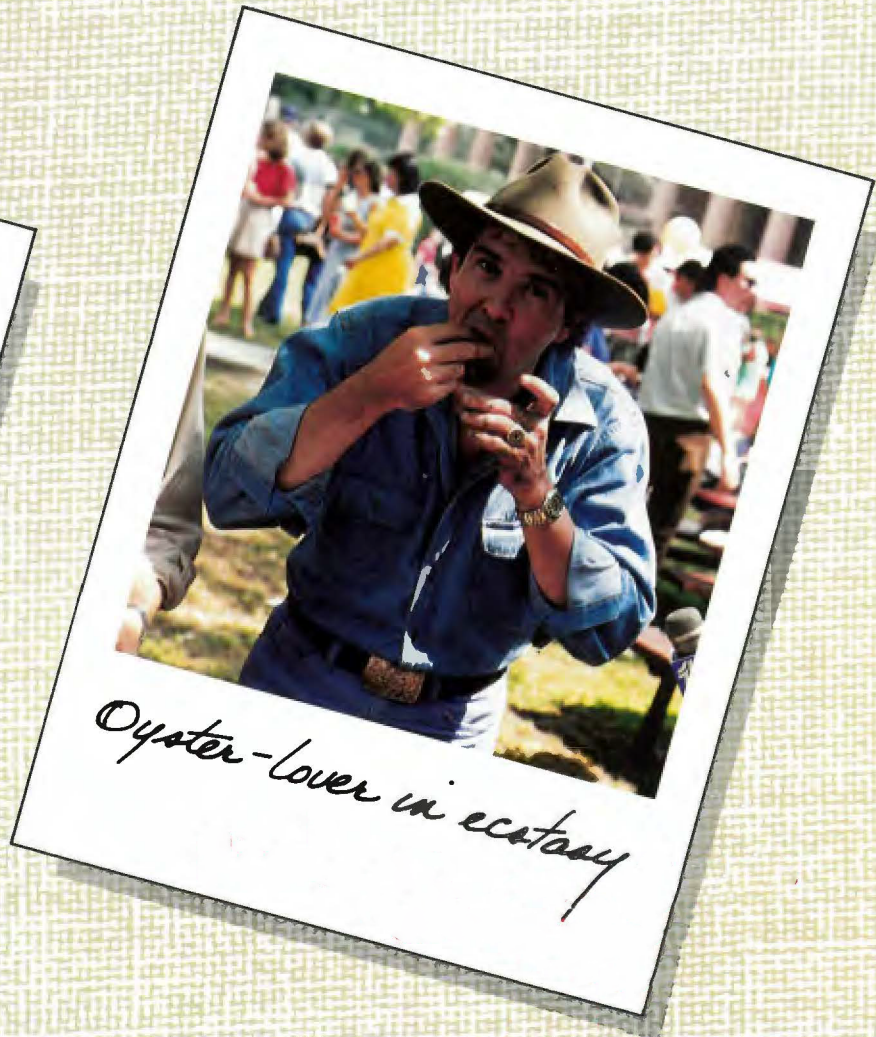


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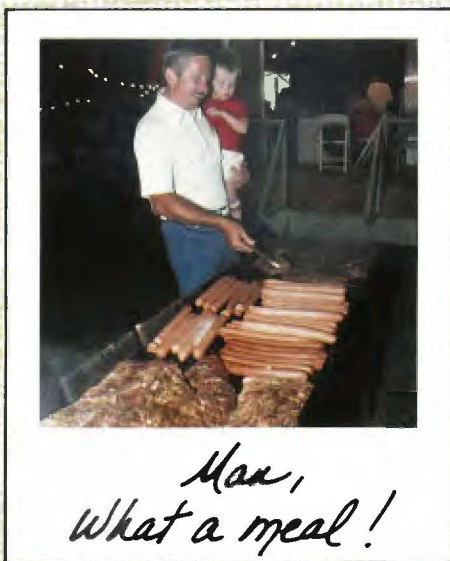
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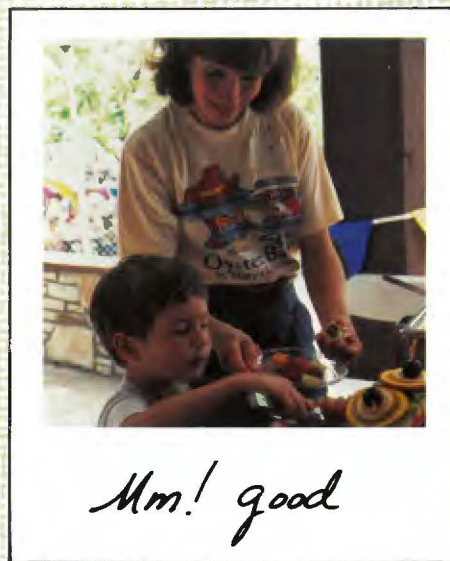
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*Man,
What a meal!*



Mm! good

It's billed as the alumni party of the year and that's not exaggeration. Homecoming Oyster Bake '86 fully lived up to its reputation.

But Homecoming Weekend is designed to offer something for everyone as these pictures show: A Homecoming Oyster Bake. Class reunions that bring old friends together from all over the country.

And for many alumnus, Homecoming Oyster Bake serves as a great dress rehearsal for the following weekend's Fiesta Oyster Bake.

Sister Grace Walle, standing, shares supper with her family, the Sisters of Mary.

by Vicki H. Sledge

MARIANISTS ARE FAMILY, TOO

Though not "traditional," Marianists enjoy sense of belonging and family history.

Grace Walle was 16 years old when she and a girlfriend volunteered to play the organ at their New Jersey parish church. "I played piano, but I'd never even seen an organ before," she remembers. "Not only that. It was an old pump organ. One of us pumped. The other played the keyboard. I've always been adventurous. That's why I fit into the Marianists."

Now known as Sister Grace Walle at St. Mary's University, where she is a campus minister, she has no regrets about her choice to join the Society of Mary.

Members of the Society of Mary, Marianists, are religious of all ages, single men and women in diverse occupations who share a common commitment.

Brother John Schlund (BA '84), a teacher at Central Catholic Marianist High School in San Antonio, sees the impact of that commitment as much greater than Father William Joseph Chaminade, who founded the order in 1817, ever envisioned.

"Contemporary culture is characterized by segregation and alienation," he says. "Marianists, by living the gospel, can proclaim an alternate way." He points to their emphasis on unity and family as bringing hope to all people.

Sister Grace, likewise, keenly feels the Marianists' involvement in people's lives. "They make the Christian commitment come alive for me," she says.

Becoming a Marianist

Serving in her church 18 years ago,

Grace began to catch what she calls the Marianists' "sense of hospitality and enjoyment of life."

One day, a brother asked her if she'd heard about the Marianist sisters. "No," she replied.

"Would you like to be one?" he gently asked.

"No," said she. Then having second thoughts: "But if they're like the brothers, I might want to be one."

When she left her department store auditor's job to enroll at the University of Dayton and become a Marianist, she joined a group of only 25 to 30 women who belong to order in America. There are 500 Marianist sisters worldwide.

The Vows

Like other religious orders, Marianists take vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. To these they add a fourth: helping fulfill Saint Mary's work of bringing Christ to the world.

Marianists take either temporary vows — from year to year for three years — or perpetual vows. During the temporary period, the young religious and the religious community judge the validity of the call to be a Marianist.

"Temporary vows might be compared to an engagement in the lay community," says the Rev. Gene Sweeney, St. Mary's liturgy coordinator and campus chaplain. "It's a trial period. Some temporary religious decide to seek God's will for themselves elsewhere."

Sometimes, the "perpetually professed" decide to leave the order. "These are people who don't find



fulfillment in their religious community," says Father Sweeney. "It's similar to a married couple who no longer can live with each other."

Recruitment Obstacles

It is no easy task these days, recruiting young men and women to life as religious. Approximately three men enter the order in the St. Louis Province each year. Only two women choose to join the Sisters of Mary each year. The average age for entering the order is 20 to 25.

Marianists point most often to two problems in recruitment: the image that religious life means giving up a traditional lifestyle and lack of family support.

Sister Grace fought both battles.

Her mother had reservations about her daughter's choice. Later, Sister Grace learned that her mother was once in religious life — something she'd never known.

"My mother sees religious life is different now," she says. "Today, her

up here gets overlooked. Reader naturally goes as indicated by an

"acceptance of my choice is a small miracle."

The second hurdle — sacrifice of a lay person's lifestyle — is one she thinks is grossly misunderstood. "A friend gave me advice: 'Choose what makes you happy most of the time.' I'm faithful to whom God called me to

"It's very difficult to explain how we and others live in our city, since our worlds are so different," says Brother Robert Rapp (BA '75), a 35-year-old parish minister in Coatzacoalcos, Veracruz. "Even the poor of San Antonio would not be poor in our city. Our poverty in material goods,

unwillingness to love or be loved, and the unwillingness to feel the pain of one another," he says.

Family History

Like other families, the Society of Mary has a shared history that binds them together and gives their work continuity.

Sister Eileen Cehyra (BA '73) carries on the work of many before her as provincial of the Marianist sisters. The former Dougherty Hall director's relationships with St. Mary's students, other Marianists and lay people on campus had a definite impact on her vocation. "It helped me appreciate my role as a sister in a congregation that included lay members and male religious who work together building God's kingdom here on earth."

The Rev. Rudy Vela (BA '76), a priest at St. Mary's of the Assumption parish in Fort Worth, feels his legacy to the church is helping fellow Hispanics "take their rightful role in church ministry."

"I'd like to help lay Hispanics realize the great potential they have in church leadership," he says. "There's no doubt a place for Marianists in the future of our world. I believe the Marianist mission to reach all people is both ideal and possible, though the process is painful — since change is called for."

Brother Paul Garro also sees pain — and risk — in the Marianist mission. "The life of Christ calls us to be vulnerable, seek humility, search our hearts for compassion and love, be involved in peoples' lives, follow Christ and be dependent on God," he says. "The implications and risk for us are enormous. But to envision a new age, we must risk. The call goes deep — beyond lifestyle, career or who we are externally."

Marianists believe there must be some commitment to living the Christian life no matter who one is — religious or lay.

"Religious life is no different," says Sister Grace Walle. "We're in touch with the real world. Religious life is not standing apart from our world. It's getting in touch with the best values in our world."

"One of the virtues of St. Mary's is that students, faculty and staff can participate in a community that's in dialogue with church and society. St. Mary's is a place where all kinds of people can unite in an educational venture that supports each person's search for Christian living."



be. I can see myself and others grow. I can travel. I have the support and friendship of families. It was never a struggle for me to give up a husband or family, because through the Family of Mary I can develop some really good relationships. How blessed I am."

A Sense of Family

Just as do their lay contemporaries, Marianists want to belong — to live and share with others. "What the world needs," says Brother Ed Violet (BBA '82), "is a sense of belonging, of family. The Marianists' greatest gift is our community spirit. It's a gift we not only understand, but live."

The 26-year-old Marianist Apostolic Center business manager sees only one drawback: "I feel the Marianists are a little reticent in sharing this great gift. I'd like to see Marianists more open to letting others share in their charism of family spirit."

Community spirit leads Marianists outside the comfortable existence that most people want.

education and the most basic human needs is so vastly different that it staggers the imagination."

Rapp prays with his parishioners and tries to help them understand their basic human rights, which, he says, "are often abused by an unfair system."

"The Marianists' work in Mexico is walking with the people in all their struggles to survive and live a more human life," he says. "Mexico is a country rich in people. Her greatest asset is her youth. I see in the very near future our first Mexican Marianist vocations."

Brother Paul Garro (BA '84) left mission work in Coatzacoalcos to teach at Vianney High School in St. Louis, Mo. Despite the less primitive location, he still sees himself intimately involved with "the brokenness, alienation and isolation of many people."

"The results around us are catastrophic — suicide, divorce, power struggles, lack of creativity,



THE FIRST FAMILIES OF SAN ANTONIO

by Donald C. Cutter, Ph.D.

A specialist in Spanish colonial history looks back at the human drama of early settlers.

Military presence has been a hallmark of San Antonio since its identifiable beginnings. Among its earliest settlers were army families assigned to the area and other families protected by the army — all for the purpose of defending Spanish colonial control over a substantial portion of western North America.

Spain early claimed Texas, left it unoccupied for over a century and a half, and finally took effective possession only when France threatened to occupy the land.

Settlement of San Antonio, begun in 1718, was part of the haphazardly evolving defensive posture of Spain in the face of a foreign threat to its northern frontier.

Cross and Sword

Cross and sword went hand in hand as Franciscan fathers and frontier soldiers traveled to Texas from what is today north Mexico. The priests sought mission sites to bring native Indian converts to Christianity, while the soldiers provided protection and looked for suitable locations for deployment of limited personnel available for frontier duty. A result of these early expeditions was identification of the area of the San Antonio River near San Pedro Springs as appropriate for either a mission, a military presidio or both.

Military Settlers

In the early occupation, there were no strictly civilian settlers. Military dependents joined their husbands at a post which had been established near a recently founded rudimentary mission. An adobe fort with its adjacent land became headquarters and, under the protection of its walls, military families and some military-encouraged families settled, with access to nearby land. These plots were granted informally by the presidio commander as a means of stabilizing his post by creating support units where economic production might begin.

Early Surnames

No complete study has yet been made of these early families, but from them, some of the early identifiable surnames of San Antonio originated such as Garza, Seguin, Longoria, Barrera and Menchaca.

As families, only those with somewhat uncommon Spanish surnames permit us to identify them. Some intermarried with later, better-known families, others left the area and, of course, a few died without progeny.

Civilian Settlers Sought

If Texas was to be held for Spain against possible French intrusion, more than a handful of soldiers and settler families were required. It was soon decided to establish a civil settlement where the populace would be firmly rooted in the soil, complete with formal title to the land in duplication of practice in the homeland. The idea of civil establishments, and specifically the one which became San Antonio,

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seemed to germinate spontaneously at various levels. But the concrete recommendation was first officially voiced in 1719 by the Council of the Indies in Spain. It proposed recruitment of families from two traditionally impoverished areas: the Canary Islands and the province of Galicia in northwestern Spain.

The initial plan was grandiose as compared with the final result. The Council envisioned recruiting as many as 200 families which, translated into individuals, would have amounted to a population of about 1,000. But the final score over a decade later was only 16 families totalling 56 persons with no Galicians among them. San Antonio was not at first intended as their specific destination, nor was it planned that all be sent to Texas.

Canary Islanders

We know comparatively much more about this second wave of San Antonio families — the Canary Islanders who finally arrived in 1731. The drama of their long voyage and subsequent overland treks is unique, and the importance of their contribution to early San Antonio great. Nonetheless, even their story is frequently lost amidst others of early Texas history.

Attractive forces that motivated the Canary Islanders to emigrate were crown support for their movement and the promise of fertile land plus free transportation, supplies and equipment. A less modern but certainly appealing factor was that recruits were to be elevated to the lowest noble class, the *hidalgo* rank — the *hijo de algo*.

Escape from Poverty

Positive as the attractive forces were, propulsive motives were more persuasive. A substantial number sought to escape the abject poverty of the poorest of the Canary Islands, Lanzarote. More like the nearby

African desert coast and much drier than other islands of the archipelago, the easternmost island had suffered recurrent drought. Land became unproductive, rains failed and food was short. Dispossession and even starvation faced the small farmers. Migration to other slightly more prosperous islands was blocked, so when the crown called for volunteers there was a natural response not only on Lanzarote, but also on some of the

“Settlement of San Antonio, begun in 1718, was part of the haphazardly evolving defensive posture of Spain.”

other islands. None of the volunteers knew the exact destination, though the crown had in mind widely separated twin cities: one in the Province of Texas; the other, Montevideo in what is today Uruguay. Not a single enlistee could have found either place on the map, for as far as European cartographers were concerned, neither place yet existed.

Discontent

Clearly, famine and poverty were greater motives than the unseen lush green grass of South Texas in convincing poor farmers to emigrate. The Canaries, bad as they were, did not have any Indian frontier, nor were they the focus of international rivalry. Both Montevideo and San Antonio were being occupied for Spain's strategic defense against the Portuguese in Brazil and the French in Louisiana. Texas had neither internal nor external security with only a handful of grey-robed Franciscans and a few undermanned military posts to hold an almost limitless area. Beyond the nearby Indian frontier were the French traders and settlers stimulating Indian resentment against the Spaniards. Security requirements against hostile attacks contributed to Canary Islander discontent when they found that crowded conditions around the

military presidio deprived them of bountiful quantities of land, since the resources of the relatively safe San Antonio area had to be shared with the military presidio, the families of the soldier-settlers already established along the banks of the Rio San Antonio, and five missions. Of the five missions, four had been recently moved to San Antonio because Indian hostility made missions untenable at almost any other location.

Bureaucratic Fumbling

An exceedingly long time elapsed between initial recruitment in 1723 and final implementation in 1730 of the royal order to transport volunteers to America. Going by way of Havana, by mid-June 1730 they arrived at the unhealthy port of Veracruz on the Gulf of Mexico. Lack of local preparation there led to transfer to more salubrious Cuatitlan, a short distance from the viceregal capital of Mexico City. In retrospect, a rather feasible trip northward along the coast to Texas seems more logical. Instead, bureaucratic fumbling resulted in an overland trip to their first upland destination.

Founding Families

Royal interest in the project generated considerable attention to the travel arrangements of San Antonio's future citizens. Even with appropriate military protection, it took nearly a month to reach Cuatitlan, followed by long days there waiting to move north. Thus far the trip had not been easy. Three heads of family had died, leaving their widows to serve as family leaders. Patriarch of the group and its spokesman was 54-year-old Juan Leal of Lanzarote.

Representing 25 percent of the group, the Leal clan was important both by seniority and plurality. Other prominent surnames were Curbelo, Santos, Padron, Nis, Cabrera, Rodriguez, Delgado, Armas and Perez. The sisters Curbelo — Juana and Maria, aged 14 and 13, were soon betrothed to two unattached Canary Islanders who had preceded the group's arrival. When their good intentions of marriage became known to the viceroy, Francisco Arocha and Vicente Alvarez Travieso were added to the founding party with equal rights and responsibilities. Another couple, Antonio Rodriguez and 19-year-old Josefa de Nis, also became a founding family by reason of their marriage at Cuatitlan. Other in-group marriages,

Alvarez, Armas, Arocha, Barrera, Cabrera, Curbelo, Delgado, Garza, Lanzarote, Leal, Longoria, Menchaca, Nis, Padron, Perez, Rodriguez, Santos, Seguin, Travieso.

If your name is among these, your ancestors could have been among San Antonio's first settlers in the 1700s.

whereby almost 20 percent more of the party became the in-laws of the senior Leal, were the liaison between Jose Leal and Ana Santos and the Juan Delgado-Caterina Leal nuptials.

Finally San Antonio

Following an illness-plagued “recuperation” period of two and a half months at royal expense at Cuatitlan, the party finally started north, slowed by women, children, illness and accidents. Hardly a triumphant procession, its progress was closely monitored by the solicitous viceroy who provided all travel necessities. Saltillo in Coahuila was an intermediate destination, beyond which was Monclova and finally San Antonio.

When at last the first civilian families arrived in late winter 1731, there was no great celebration, just relief from what had seemed constant travel towards the end of the earth. They were ill-prepared for assuming their colonizing role. Horses had died en route; all settlers were tired and much the worse for wear. Immediately dissatisfied with the area reserved for their occupation west of the presidio, they were given substitute land alongside the river where irrigation agriculture could be practiced. Even so, the Canary Islanders felt they had gotten the short end. Yet the special care accorded them for a full year after their arrival gave them a good start until their first crop returns.



Adjustment Not Easy

Adjustment to their new environment was not easy. Earlier occupants felt that the newcomers exhibited pretensions of grandeur and haughtiness inappropriate to their original humble status. The liberal inducements that had brought about their enlistment in the Canary Archipelago worked against their easy accommodation to the realities of the situation. The military authorities had

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already distributed much of the choicest land, and the priests had obtained for their wards, the resident Indians, most of the land best suited for pasture.

As a result, the first town in Texas — San Fernando de Bexar as San Antonio was initially called — was never to enjoy all of the benefits that the great legal code of the Spanish New World accorded to newly founded towns. A feeling of deception could hardly have been absent from the minds of the newcomers. But from the same code of laws came strength to the Canary Islanders, who became a conscious minority. Despite their numerical inferiority, they took refuge in the law code, in their original contract, and in their new social superiority as hidalgos. Continual jockeying for position and a strong desire to preserve their rights gave them cohesion — and by nature or by local circumstances — these new colonists soon gained a reputation for being litigious in the extreme, both with outsiders and among themselves.

Simple Agrarian Folk

Shortly after their arrival and by viceregal authority, the local presidial commander bestowed the long-awaited titles of minor nobility on the Canary Islanders, complete with an official

document attesting to their new status. Much has been said of the noble status of San Antonio’s Canary Islanders, but the elevation of simple agrarian folk to the position of hidalgos was in nowise unique. Nearby New Mexico settlers had experienced the same ennoblement when they arrived there during the reconquest of the 1690s. Hidalgos had no great powers as such. Most of their true strength resulted from being the initial settlers who virtually monopolized the municipal offices, soon magnified in importance when San Antonio became the viceroy’s choice as capital of the entire province of Texas with the exalted title of city rather than town.

Indelible Legacies

We would know much less about the early founders of San Antonio if it were not for good vital statistics and recruitment records. These useful documents are supplemented by much paper work involving land and water rights.

Coming from the Canaries where property rights in water were well defined as a result of its scarcity, the newcomers were quick to lay claim to and legally protect the thing of value — water. Given their offices of importance in the town government and the laws governing their settlement, they avidly protected family rights to both land and water.

Despite five subsequent transfers of Texas sovereignty, these rights have prevailed and are one of the indelible legacies of the early families of San Antonio.



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Players, Coach and Physician Inducted Into Athletics Hall of Fame

Gerald Kempf's remarks aptly express the pride felt by the 1986 inductees of the St. Mary's University Athletics Hall of Fame. Included in the number are one of the developers of V.J. Keefe Field, a baseball player who signed with the Cleveland Indians, another who hit a home run off Dizzy Dean, and a football player who was part of the team that brought national attention to the university sports program. Two of the men have the distinction of being "firsts": one was St. Mary's first lay coach; the other was one of its first black athletes.

The six were inducted at a luncheon given in their honor April 12 at La Mansion del Norte.

SIX JOIN RANKS OF ST. MARY'S GREATS

"I dreamed of an honor such as this . . . but having that dream come to reality never seriously crossed my mind. To be mentioned in the same breath as famed St. Mary's athletes and associates and to rub elbows with them at a ceremonial luncheon bordered on the unbelievable. All the many friends and associations I have made as a result of my involvement with St. Mary's University are far too numerous to mention, and will be cherished for the rest of my life." — Gerald Kempf

Dr. August Berchelmann

1938, Associate



• Loyal supporter of St. Mary's athletes and athletics. Assisted in the construction of V.J. Keefe Field. He also served as the 1960-61 president of the Athletics Booster Club.

Berchelmann first became associated with St. Mary's in 1948 when he served as physician for athletes, out-of-town students and religious faculty. In 1960, he established the St. Mary's Health Center and served as its director from that time until 1982. He died in 1984.

James Heiser

1954-60, Coach



• Rattler basketball and baseball coach from 1954 to 1960. He holds the distinctions of being the university's first lay coach, its first lay athletics director since the 1930s and recruiter of the school's first black player. With Tony Crosby ('34, a 1985 Hall of

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Famer) and Bro. Walter Puckett, S.M., athletics director, he organized the St. Mary's Athletics Booster Club in 1956.

Gerald W. Kempf

1955, Baseball



●Touted by local newspapers as one half of the "St. Mary's 'K-Ration' twins" along with teammate Elmer Kosub. He was chosen in his sophomore year to represent South Texas in the 1952 Hearst Sandlot Classic in New York City as a right fielder for the United States All-Star team. Kempf went on to pursue a professional career with the Cleveland Indians.

Winston Miles

1962, Basketball



●One of Coach James Heiser's recruits, was the second black athlete ever to attend St. Mary's. Coach Buddy Meyer, who played basketball with him during their college years, remembers Miles as "an excellent player . . . a good rebounder, very physical and rough . . . better than any other post kid we've had since."

Joe B. Obriotti

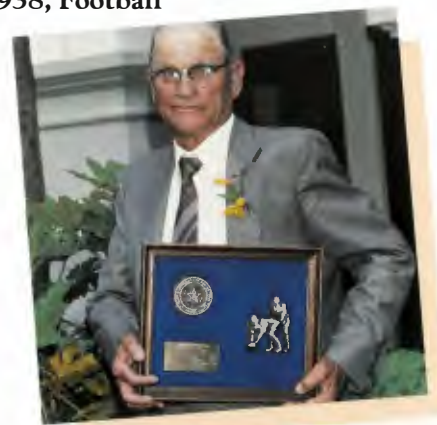
1932, Baseball



●Hailed as "one of the (Rattlers') finest fielding left-handed first basemen." Enjoyed such post-graduation accomplishments as declining a tryout with the New York Giants and hitting a home run off Dizzy Dean. With his wife Christine, he set up a \$25,000 baseball scholarship to be awarded to incoming and current St. Mary's students with good scholastic averages. Obriotti died in 1976.

Guy M. Todd

1938, Football



●Member of the St. Mary's football team that put the school's sports on the map. At that time the Rattlers were the most traveled college football team in the United States. One of the first athletes recruited by Coach Frank Bridges to upgrade mid-30s football, Todd lettered in football, basketball and baseball for four years and was assistant football coach under Bridges in 1938. He is remembered best for his "dedication to teamwork" and for being "a good all-around athlete and 'bread-and-butter' player."

by Mary Lee Pattillo (BA '86)

CLASS NOTES

1954

Herbert O. Morris (BBA '54) of San Antonio was promoted to assistant vice president and chief underwriter for Government Personnel Life Insurance Co. He has been with the company since 1954.

1955

Gregory W. Crane (BBA '55) is president of Broadway National Bank.

Alfred Stein (BS '55) of Paradise Valle, Ariz., is chairman of VLSI Technology Inc., based in San Jose, Calif.

1958

Judge Raul Rivera (JD '58) has been appointed by the Commissioners Court of Bexar County to the advisory board of the Bexar County Dispute Mediation Center. He has also been elected Bexar County administrative judge of the district and county courts.

1959

Robert J. Buss (BS '59) of Ballwin, Mo., has received the 1985 Presidential Award for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Teaching.

William Dowdy (BS '59) of Portola Valley, Calif., is director of the Technology and Innovation Management Center at SRI International.

1960

Frank Southers (BA '60), senior partner at Southers and Lyons Inc. in San Antonio, was named editor-in-chief of the *Texas Personal Injury Law Reporter*, which reports significant Texas appellate decisions in personal injury cases.

1961

Charles Umscheid (BBA '61), director of industrial relations at Turbine Support, Chromalloy American Corp. in San Antonio, has been re-elected region 15 vice president of the American Society for Personnel Administration.

1964

Edward Carter (BA '64) of Richardson was elected vice president of the Southwest Actuarial Forum. He works with Tillinghast, Nelson & Wareen Inc. of Dallas.

1966

John Douglas (BBA '66) of San Antonio was promoted to assistant vice president-underwriting at USAA Life Insurance Co.

1967

Hector De Pena Jr. (JD '67) is an attorney in Corpus Christi.

1968

Michael D. Kelley (BBA '68) of San Antonio is a certified public accountant and partner and president of Michael Kelley & Co., which offers accounting services and business consulting.

1969

David Starks (BBA '69) is chief of the manufacturing and contract administration division at the Directorate of Contracting and Management at the San Antonio Air Logistics Center.

1970

Major William Bohlke (BS '70) has been decorated with the Meritorious Service Medal at Randolph Air Force Base.

Dan Crutchfield (BBA '70) of San Antonio, senior vice president of Travis Savings and Loan Association, has been elected vice chairman of the board of directors for the San Antonio Retail Merchants Association.

1971

Dr. Juan Javier Bautista (BS '71) of Pasadena, Calif., is group leader and plans manager of JPL's Microwave Electronics Group, working to improve earth-based receiving elements of spacecraft-to-earth communication.

Bob Geissler (BA '71, JD '74) has been appointed managing partner of the Ewers and Toothaker law firm, a 20-attorney firm in McAllen.

Ileana Schneegans (BA '71, MA '80) of Killeen is director of religious education in the U.S. Army's Fort Hood chaplain's office.

1972

George Barker (JD '72) is an attorney in Cedar Hill.

Jim Cahalan (BBA '72) of Helotes has been appointed marketing manager of Grona, Boles and Allen Inc., responsible for marketing the firm's new and established business, coordinating personnel, office management and sales accounts.

Robert McDonald (BBA '72) of San Antonio has been promoted to vice president in Frost National Bank's corporate accounting department.

1973

Gary Barron (JD '73) of Dallas was named executive vice president-corporate services for Southwest Airlines.

Adrian Guardia (BBA '73), who works with Big Red Bottling Co., has been elected vice president-programs of the San Antonio Personnel and Management Association.

John Heller (BA '73), who works with Foster, Bettac and Heller, has been elected vice president-membership of the San Antonio Personnel and Management Association.

Michael Moore (MBA '73), who works with Fleming Cos. Inc., has been elected vice president-research and development of the San Antonio Personnel and Management Association.

Jose Pacheco (BA '73) of San Antonio has been elected a senior vice president at Frontier State Bank of Eagle Pass.

Mark Sosa (BBA '73) is data processing manager at United Services Automobile Association in San Antonio.

1974

Alan Prager (JD '74) works with Reserve Life Insurance in Dallas.

Israel Ramon Jr. (BA '74) of McAllen and his wife, Rose Mary Cortinas Ramon (BA '75, MA '77), welcomed a second child, Clarissa Diane, on Sept. 17. They also have a son, 6-year-old Riley.

1975

Michael Archer (JD '75) has become a stockholder in the firm of Jorrie, Archer and Standley Inc.

James Brennan (JD '75) of San Antonio has been promoted to executive director-special markets at USAA Life Insurance Co.

Allan R. Cross (BA '75) of Canyon Lake has been named assistant administrator of Charter Real Hospital, a new psychiatric and substance abuse facility in San Antonio.

Manuel L. Flores Jr. (MA '75) is district manager for Anheuser-Bush Inc. in San Antonio, Kerrville, Del Rio, Yoakum and New Braunfels.

Virginia Georgulas (BBA '75) of Honolulu, Hawaii, was promoted to manager of accounting at the Dillingham Corporation.

Marshall Kellar (BA '75) of Houston and his wife, the former Patricia Jeffrey (BS '79), welcomed a daughter, Rachel Noel, on Jan. 10.

David Levinson (BA '75, JD '81) was admitted to the federal bar in the western district of Texas.

Rose Mary Cortinas Ramon (BA '75, MA '77) of McAllen and her husband, Israel (BA '74), welcomed a second child, Clarissa Diane, on Sept. 17. They also have a son, 6-year-old Riley.

1976

Michael Gonzalez (BA '76) of San Antonio has been appointed to the bank advisory board of Allied American Bank. He is an industrial specialist with Coldwell Banker.

Dee Brady Sosa (BA '76, MA '84) is currently on leave of absence from the Northside Independent School District in San Antonio, where she taught English.

Michael Sosa (BBA '76) is co-owner of Interior Design, a San Antonio firm.

1977

Regina Cusak (JD '77, MA '83) of East Keansbury, N.J., was sworn into the New York bar in August

and the New Jersey bar in December.

Anna Deosdade (BA '77) has been promoted to transportation services manager for the City of San Antonio's Department of Public Utilities.

Amy Flinn (BA '77) of Killeen has been appointed assistant city attorney. She and her husband, Mike Finn, became the parents of James Jonathan and Anna Michelle on Dec. 12.

Patrick Little (JD '77) and his wife, Victoria, are the parents of a son, Paul Joseph, born Nov. 14. They also have a 3-year-old daughter, Nichole.

Don Russell (BBA '77) of San Antonio has been named operations manager and accountant at Factory Sales Uniform Co.

Arthur F. Sandoval Jr. (BA '77) of San Antonio is currently working on a special project for the aircraft division at Kelly Air Force Base in conjunction with Kelly's Office of History.

1978

David Baram (JD '78), a partner in the Bloomfield, Conn., law firm, Pinney and Baram, has been re-elected to the city council. The council named him mayor for the third consecutive year.

Diann Bartek (JD '78), a partner in the San Antonio firm, Cox and Smith, has been named to the firm's board of directors. She has also been appointed to the State Bar Liaison Committee with the Texas Law Schools.

Capt. Brian Brady (BA '78) is stationed at Fort Sill, Okla.

Claude Davis (JD '78), formerly a municipal judge, has been appointed county judge for Brazos County.

Dawn Bruner Finlayson (JD '78) has become associated with the San Antonio firm, Matthews and Branscomb.

Glenn Villafranca (BBA '78) of Victoria married Katherine Sue Burns on Dec. 28.

1979

Carlos Barretto (BBA '79, MBA '80) of San Antonio is vice president of E.H. Barretto Corp., which markets stainless steel kitchen equipment.

Patricia Jeffrey Kellar (BS '79) of Houston and her husband,

Marshall, welcomed a daughter, Rachel Noel, on Jan. 10.

1980

Abel Hernandez (BA '80) of San Antonio is a counselor in St. Mary's Upward Bound program.

George Holmes (JD '80), a major in the Marine Corps, has spent the last six months in the Mediterranean with the 26th Marine Amphibious Unit.

Kim Pettit (JD '80) is associated with the San Antonio firm, Grieshaber and Roberts, Real Estate Brokers.

John Reinhart (JD '80) of San Antonio was promoted to vice president and general counsel at Fuddrucker's Inc.

Nevin Shaffer Jr. (JD '80), a partner in the Austin firm, Bannerot, Shaffer and Armstrong, practices patent, trademark and copyright law.

Thomas Sisson (JD '80) has been elected president of the San Antonio Intellectual Property Law Association. A patent, trademark and copyright attorney, he was also re-elected chapter president of the San Antonio chapter of the Christian Legal Society.

Constance Somers (JD '80), formerly with the law firm of Tinsman and Houser, has opened her own law practice in San Antonio.

Harry Wolff Jr. (JD '80) of San Antonio was appointed to the board of directors of First State Savings Association. He is an attorney and partner in the Foster, Lewis, Langley, Gardner and Banack law firm.

1981

George Knox (JD '81) joined the San Antonio law firm, Brock and Kelfer, as an associate. He is completing a graduate degree in business administration.

Mason Standley (JD '81) has become a stockholder in the firm, Jorrie, Archer and Standley Inc.

1982

Alice Camacho (BA '82) is a certified medical technologist with San Antonio Medical Associates.

Robert Castleberry (JD '82) is a partner in the law firm of

McCullough, Murray and McCullough in Harlingen.

Roland Cuellar (BBA '82) was promoted in the U.S. Army to the rank of captain. Capt. Cuellar is a program budget analyst at Fort Hood.

Kevin Gilhooly (BA '82) was recently married. He and his wife, Cathryn, now live in Dallas.

Mary McCrary (JD '82) received her L.L.M. in tax from Southern Methodist University in May 1984. A year later, she married Lawrence Hitchery. Last June she began working for Reserve Life Insurance in Dallas.

1983

Laura Davis (JD '83), a member of the St. Louis, Mo., firm, Carmody, MacDonald, Hilton and Wolf, gave birth to a girl, Sarah Catherine, on Nov. 14.

Diana Miller Geis (JD '83), formerly with the 13th Court of Appeals in Corpus Christi, has returned to San Antonio. She was married on Sept. 14.

Anne Hart (BBA '83), a retirement plans representative with Gill Savings Association in San Antonio, married Daniel Cavazos.

Michael W. Jackson (JD '83) is associated with the San Antonio firm, Mendelsohn, Heidelberg and Beer.

R.L. Mays Jr. (JD '83) published an article, "How to Stay Flexible in Estate Tax Decisions" in the December issue of *Trusts & Estates*.

Susan Millis (JD '83) has become associated with the firm, Denton and Guinan, in Dallas.

Martha Mims (JD '83), formerly a briefing attorney for Chief Justice Carlos Cadena of the Fourth Court of Appeals, is now associated with the firm of Cox and Smith in San Antonio.

Linda Sauget (BBA '83) is personnel manager for Stop-N-Go Markets in Odessa.

Helen Schwartz (JD '83) was appointed to associate with the labor and employment firm, Foster, Bettac and Heller, in San Antonio.

1984

Maura Allen (BA '84) is a sales promotions trainee with Joske's of Texas in Dallas.

Thomas Jackson (JD '84) is associated with the firm, Young and Murray Inc., in San Antonio.

Sandy Lopez (BBA '84) of San Antonio has opened Perfect Fit Coed Aerobics in San Antonio.

1985

Melchore Boone Jr. (BA '85), a medical student, and Teresa Jones (BA '85), a first-grade teacher in Houston, married on Jan. 18.

Dawn Davis (BS '85) is a second lieutenant in tactical intelligence at Shaw Air Force Base in South Carolina.

Susan Ervin (BA '85) has joined St. Mary's development department as director of annual programs, responsible for annual fund raising aimed at alumni.

Shari Fernandez (BS '85) of Galveston is attending medical school.

Audrey Haake (JD '85) is associated with the firm, Brock and Kelfer, in San Antonio.

Judy Lytle (JD '85) has become associated with the San Antonio firm, Matthews and Branscomb.

Barbara Ann LaBouff (JD '85) and Tom Pickford (JD '85) were married Dec. 28. He is associated with the San Antonio firm, Foster, Lewis, Langley, Gardner and Banack.

Tributes

Col. Frank L. Chapa (Class of '15) of San Antonio died Feb. 2, 1985.

Henry C. Johnson Jr. (Class of '27) of San Antonio, age 76, died Jan. 21. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and owner and operator of Warehouse Furniture Market for 50 years.

Edward F. Ernstman (BA '31) of Wichita, Kansas, died Jan. 25 following a car accident in December.

Maude Leopold (MA '45) of San Antonio, age 88, died Jan. 20. She taught in the San Antonio schools for 30 years.

Joe Wayne Walsh (JD '58) of Brownsville, age 53, died Jan. 26. He formerly worked as an investigator in the district attorney's office in San Antonio and moved to Brownsville in 1958 to become assistant district attorney.

John Randall Keltner (JD '79) of San Antonio died from a shotgun wound. He worked with John M. Killiam & Associates.

Distinguished Alumnus Honored



Alumni Association President Jim Koett, left, congratulates Bill Greehey.

Many of Bill Greehey's friends, family and fellow alumni turned out to honor him as the 1986 Distinguished Alumnus at a dinner held at the Wyndham Hotel Feb. 28.

Alumni attending included Doug Cross ('68), Louis Sanchez ('69), Robert Engberg ('60) and Barbara Benavides ('71). Diane Abdo Noll ('72) put together a slide show tracing Greehey's accomplishments from his early years to his present career. It was easily the highlight of the evening as the audience heard candid testimonials from family and friends.

St. Mary's School of Law Dean James Castleberry ('52) and his wife, Mary Ann, were in attendance along with Brother Paul Goelz, Meadows Center director; Brother Ralph Thayer, history professor; and Fay Bourgeois ('81), law placement director. Also representing the university were languages chair Ruben Candia and his wife, Linda; vice president for financial administration Dan White and his wife, Claire; philosophy chair Rev. Conrad Kaczowski ('56); and Dr. Charles Cotrell ('62, '64), recently named vice president for academic affairs.

At the head table were Glenn and Ann Biggs, Ed and Dorothy Cheviot, Rita and Jim Koett ('63), Rev. John A. Leies and Carmen and Bob Mason ('68). Others congratulating Greehey on his award were Charles Ebrom ('52, '63) and Nelson Wolff ('66). Past recipients of the Distinguished Alumnus Award, Henrietta "Hank" Montagna ('63) and Judge Carol Haberman ('56), were also on hand to offer their congratulations.

San Antonio

The alumni association welcomed 1986 graduates into the alumni fold with a wine and cheese reception after the Baccalaureate Mass May 3 on campus.

Volunteers and board members got a chance to relax and have some fun at their own "mini-fiesta" at the Appreciation Party for Fiesta Oyster Bake helpers. Ray Carvajal ('68), Fiesta Oyster Bake chairman, was recognized for his hard work in coordinating the alumni association's biggest event of the year.

It was "thanks for your great leadership" to outgoing alumni association president Jim Koett ('63) and "welcome to a great year" for incoming president Bob Mason at June installation ceremonies. Diane Abdo Noll is the new first vice president. Eight new board members were also installed.

Houston

Oysters and shrimp were the happy-hour treats at the pre-Oyster Bake party held by Houston chapter members at Pearl's Restaurant.

At press time "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" invitations were in the mail for the Houston Astros-St. Louis Cardinals game at the Astrodome June 3. Fifty alumni and friends were able to view the game from a specially reserved sky box.

St. Louis

September 12 is the date set for the St. Louis Cardinals-Montreal Expos baseball game in St. Louis. Be sure to make reservations as soon as you receive your invitation. Tickets go fast for this sell-out game. Call Joe Ojile ('80) at (314) 843-3989.

Dallas/Fort Worth

Forty Dallas/Fort Worth chapter members enjoyed themselves at a wine-tasting reception in April at the Mandalay Four Seasons Hotel.

Beverly Whittington is once again gearing up for the annual Dallas/Fort Worth Alumni Association Florida Scramble Golf Tournament. This is the ninth year the tourney will be held to raise scholarship funds. The date is Aug. 2 at the Tenison Municipal Golf Course, 3501 Samuel Blvd., in Dallas. The \$40 per golfer entry fee is tax deductible. Look for your invitation in the mail. Call Beverly at (214) 690-1374.

Laredo

On the agenda for the coming year's events planned by Laredo alumni is their annual dinner-dance to raise scholarship funds. Moe Blakey ('66) wants names of alumni willing to help arrange the popular event. He can be reached at (512) 722-5269.

Sweepstakes Winners

Thirty-six thousand people in a fiesta mood passed through the gates to enjoy the 70th annual Fiesta Oyster Bake. At nine o'clock the crowd stood in rapt attention as Solomon Karam ('67), sweepstakes chairman, announced the lucky winners. Grand prize winner of \$25,000 is Alejandro Leal of Pharr, Texas. Winning \$1,000 each were San Antonians E.J. Dorr, Mark D. Granados, Bruce D. Liesman, Patrick Furlong ('83) and D.G. Nolte of Houston. Money raised from the sweepstakes funds scholarships for St. Mary's students.

First Homecoming Golf Tournament

The first golf tournament held as part of alumni homecoming activities saw over 40 golfers tee off April 12 at the Club at Sonterra. Tournament proceeds go to the St. Mary's golf team coached by Bob Sandefur. Sandefur served as director of the four-man, best-ball competition.

Garnering first place was the team of Tom Crawford, Ed Stanfield, Tommy McCullough and Norm Howard, sponsored by B.K. Johnson Interests. Second place winners were Bobby Oertling ('76), Joseph N. Gonzales ('80), Jonathan Steffey ('76) and Steve Grothues ('80). Placing third were Andrew Obriotti Sr. ('37), Andrew Obriotti Jr. ('73), Jim Koett ('63) and David Christal. In fourth place was the team of Ken Crowell ('42), Homer H. Burkett ('40), Bennie Hall and Alan Baxter, student golf team member.

Winners received gift certificates from The Pro Shop totalling \$500. Golfers who did not place were given a chance to win a golf bag and club covers generously donated by Ken Crowell. Ramon Vela ('77) took home the prize for that contest. Kitty Gray ('80) and Frannie Gray ('84), who were the only women competing, played excellent golf and put up a fine score.

Financial Seminars Offered

The Young Alumni Committee of '76 through '86 graduates sponsored a series of money management seminars on campus this spring to help fellow alums make smarter investments, sounder insurance decisions, wiser tax preparations and better financial plans for their future.

Alumni giving their services as instructors were Don Mayer (BBA '73), president, Thousand Oaks Bank; Ruby Jenschke (BBA '76), tax partner, KMB Main Hurdman accounting firm; and James Perna (BBA '75), senior financial consultant at Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith.

Taking advantage of the free and expert advice were Arthur Sandoval Jr. ('77), Jesse Gomez ('76), Raul Solis ('80) and wife Janie, Donald Fetzer ('77), Carlos Barretto ('79, '80) and Yvonne King ('85). Also hoping to learn some financial pointers were Keith Wilson ('82), Stella Acosta ('82), Jeanette Woo ('85), Pete Goebel ('85) and Joe Carreon ('82). Others paying close attention were Paul Badders ('84), Steven Ealy ('79) and Debra De La Garza ('80).

International Education

Readers React

Having had the privilege to be invited to travel in the People's Republic of China on two occasions within the last two years, I was very impressed with the observations delineated by Dan Rigney in his article "Capitalist Road" in the winter issue of *Gold & Blue*. His insights as a sociologist traveling in China for the first time evidenced both breadth and depth. . . .

James W. Robertson, dean,
School of Business and Administration

Congratulations on the winter issue of *Gold & Blue* with its focus on our international education. There are, however, two elements that I believe were inadvertently overlooked.

One is the series of some 20 biblical study tours of the Middle East sponsored since 1972 by our theology department. The biennial five- to six-week, six-credit graduate tour was affiliated in 1984 by the American Schools of Oriental Research, the first such program to receive recognition for its academic excellence. All our tours are designed to give personal first-hand experience of both sides of the Arab-Israeli situation, as well as an understanding of biblical archaeology and of the 5,000 years of Middle Eastern history.

A second element of international education at St. Mary's, less formal than degree plans or courses, is the large number of professors both Marianists and lay, beyond those so immediately involved in the formal structures, who have genuine international living experience and education in their backgrounds. The broadened perspective on world events that these professors bring to their classes in the humanities, social sciences, engineering and natural sciences is no less an educative contribution than that made in the formal programs.

Charles H. Miller, S.M., S.T.D.,
professor of theology

I am writing to express my dissatisfaction with the general tone and approach of the magazine. I believe that the alumni magazine would be more interesting if it included more articles of general interest to Catholics. More articles on theology, social problems and "themes" of contemporary life are needed. Articles about alumni who are in community building positions and which highlight their multidimensional character. In other words, we should demonstrate not only that our alumni are "successful" in their careers as a partial result of their training at St. Mary's, but also that the values of faith, service and integrity are still at work as well.

I was also disappointed at the latest issue of the magazine that focused on international programs at St. Mary's. Many contributions of faculty members in international education were left unmentioned. One would get the impression that the business school was responsible for most international activities on campus. This is highly inaccurate. The humanities and social sciences have made very significant contributions as have other schools within St. Mary's.

One final point that I would also like to make. I don't know how practical it is, but I believe that more articles written by faculty, students and alumni would be preferable to articles written by free-lance writers. As good as these writers may be, I believe that an alumni magazine, in particular, has a better tone about it when those involved in the university share their own reflections.

The St. Mary's heritage is a rich one and deeply rooted in Catholicism, the Southwest and in other important traditions. The university community deserves a better representation of that heritage in its alumni publications than it currently receives.

Professor Philip Meeks,
political science

The article "St. Mary's Gets Down to Business — and Goes International" (Winter 1986) brought back fine memories of my education experience at St. Mary's University. However, I am saddened that the article was not well researched. For instance, economist Ludwig H. Mai and political scientist Kenneth Carey were not acknowledged for their contributions to the first international studies program in that institution. These scholars were truly pioneers in international relations curriculum in St. Mary's. They were inspiring teachers who first aroused and guided my interest and others in the field of international business and politics.

Their program consisted of courses in international economics, international finance, international trade and industry, border trade, international politics and organization, international business organization, comparative government, history of economic thought, and area studies. Professors Mai and Carey also founded the International Relations Institute which became widely known in South Texas for its popular programs to students and the community of greater San Antonio. Many of its graduates went on to graduate school majoring in international economics or found employment in international banking. Professors Mai and Carey were master teachers and innovators of curriculum in international studies. Indeed, St. Mary's new international business program reflects the legacy of these fine men.

Jose A. Hernandez, Ph.D., professor,
California State University, Northridge
(BA '57 international relations)

Gold & Blue welcomes comments. Letters to the editor will be published on a space-available basis and are subject to editing for clarity and length.

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Thank you, St. Mary's boosters!



TEAM UP WITH ST. MARY'S

Ronald J. Herrmann (BA '57, JD '59) is president of Columbia Industries, Inc. — the world's largest manufacturer of bowling balls.

To become the executive head of a team, he prepared himself with a sound education at St. Mary's.

His children — Helen (front), Carol and David — have followed in his footsteps.

A St. Mary's education for the Herrmann family is a tradition spanning three generations.

Ron's father, the late San Antonio attorney Albert Herrmann, graduated from

the forerunner of St. Mary's Law School and was its strong supporter all his life. The family has endowed a professorship in memory of him and his wife.

Ron Herrmann has been a generous donor to his alma mater. And as a member of the board of trustees and leader in *The Campaign for St. Mary's*, he has given his school much valuable time and energy.

It's loyal, caring parents like Ron Herrmann that help St. Mary's provide the kind of value-oriented education that wins on any team.

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