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as a Catholic Marianist University,
fosters the formation of people in faith
and educates leaders for the common good
through community,
integrated liberal arts and professional education,
and academic excellence.

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On the front cover: Bill Greehey's (B.B.A. '60) excitement is visible as he stands in front of the newly named Bill Greehey School of Business, made possible by his unprecedented cash gift of \$25 million to St. Mary's this past December.

The business school endowment will immediately result in qualitative improvements affecting student and faculty scholarship and recruitment.

On the back cover: St. Mary's boasts its first national championship golfer in Jamie Amoretti who came from behind at the NCAA Division II tournament in West Virginia to capture St. Mary's fifth national title.

From the Editor

May is a bittersweet month at St. Mary's. We say goodbye to students who go off to summer vacations and jobs before returning to campus in the fall, or who walk the stage at commencement and begin a new leg of life's journey. The 718 May graduates joined the 215 students who graduated this past December as our newest alumni.

The spring semester, most agree, races by with myriad activities. Two highlights of the spring calendar were the naming of St. Mary's business school and the groundbreaking for the Barrett Memorial Bell Tower. In this issue you'll read about Bill Greehey's loyalty to St. Mary's and Charles Barrett's loving memory of his mother.

Also during the spring, the Board of Trustees approved St. Mary's new Mission statement, a yearlong collaboration of many campus constituents led by the Rev. Bernard Lee, S.M., vice president for Mission and Identity. We believe it captures and affirms what St. Mary's University in the 21st century stands for.

Present-day students have interests outside the classroom that run the gamut. Members of one extra-curricular St. Mary's group—the Native American Student Association—are taking the time to explore their roots. That investigation led them to organize something not often seen today, an authentic Indian powwow.

Anyone who has attended St. Mary's since the mid-1950s likely remembers Brother Charles Cummiskey, S.M. Though he's held other titles and responsibilities since arriving at St. Mary's in 1955, one thing has never changed—he's taught chemistry every semester for a half century. You'll read about him as well as Marian Health Care Award winner Robert Jimenez who shares his lifelong calling of helping the poor as the chairman of the University Health System.

More concerted and targeted efforts are being made to stay in touch with you. Be sure to check out the University's Web site (www.stmarytx.edu) frequently to stay up-to-date with the good things happening at St. Mary's. And finally, with gas prices the way they are, many of us may not be straying too far from home. But, wherever home is and your summer plans take you, have fun and be safe.

—Candace Kuebker

University Ready for New Opportunities, Challenges

by Charles L. Cotrell, Ph.D., President

Our graduates are feeling a sense of accomplishment this spring. I congratulate the Class of 2006 for their achievement and support them as they embark on a new journey—one filled with new opportunities and challenges.

St. Mary's University, too, is poised to begin a new era of promise as the 2006-2007 academic year approaches, empowered by a revised Mission statement that articulates the University's distinctive purpose as a Catholic and Marianist liberal arts institution. Moreover, we will be drafting a new strategic plan that will guide the University through 2012.

New Mission Guides University

The new Mission statement contains the same enduring values that founded this institution 154 years ago in a style and brevity appropriate to the 21st century. I encourage you to read more about the Mission in this *Gold & Blue* where the Rev. Bernard J. Lee, S.M., Th.D., interprets the Mission from the heart.

Strategic Planning 2007–2012 Taking Shape

After many sessions with Marianists, faculty, staff, students and key University constituents, the new strategic plan, which will determine how the University will proceed through 2012, continues to take shape. The University's Executive Council is reviewing the strategic ideas and suggestions that resulted from these sessions before beginning to formulate a draft plan. The Board of Trustees will review and adopt the plan this fall. We will keep you updated on our progress.



Thank You, Bill

On Dec. 21, 2005, St. Mary's made history when Distinguished Alumnus and Valero Energy Corp. Chairman Bill Greehey made a \$25 million cash gift to the University—the largest single gift in St. Mary's 154-year history and the biggest ever given to a San Antonio-area college or university.

For several months now, the University community has been thanking Greehey for his personal generosity and unceasing commitment to St. Mary's. You can read the more than 200 "Thank You, Bill" posts at www.stmarytx.edu/thankyoubill, where students, parents, alumni and friends continue to send their messages of gratitude. The following are some examples of the outpouring of appreciation:

"Mr. Greehey, my son, Philip Janson, has been accepted at St. Mary's for the upcoming fall semester. I, too, feel a great deal of compassion for St. Mary's just from our first visit there this past February for the Sleeping Bag Weekend. I knew my son would get a very good education, and what pride we feel that it is at such a prestigious institution as St. Mary's. Your generous donation is

something that I hope my son learns from also. I hope someday he will also be in a position to follow in your footsteps."

—Anne Janson, parent
Linn Creek, Mo.

"Mr. Greehey, Your generous donation is truly a testament to the spirit of St. Mary's. Thank you and God Bless!"

—Vivian Esparza, student
San Antonio

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St. Mary's Has Golf Champion

Congratulations to St. Mary's junior Jamie Amoretti who snared the NCAA Division II Men's Golf Championship. He is the first St. Mary's golfer to win a national title, bringing the total of national titles at St. Mary's to five, making the University proud to be among a handful of institutions this size that can boast as many championships. ■

NEWS

FROM AROUND THE GROVE



■ Short Subjects



E-Newsletters: Getting to Know Your School Better

Four times each year, alumni with current e-mail addresses in the St. Mary's database receive E-Talk, an electronic newsletter from President Charles L. Cotrell, Ph.D. This past March, that newsletter linked alumni to newsletters of one of the three undergraduate schools to which they are affiliated. (Update your e-mail address at www.stmarytx.edu/alumni.)

The newsletters include messages from the deans as well as news about student successes and reports from faculty on research and special events.

Lecture Continues Catholic Intellectual Tradition

The Rev. Bernard Lee, S.M., vice president for Mission and Identity, invited Purdue University Professor of Sociology James D. Davidson, Ph.D., to St. Mary's to advance the Catholic intellectual tradition at a lecture in February.

"Catholicism in Motion: Facts and Myths about American Catholics and Their Church" characterized Catholicism today. Davidson, who is president of the Religious Research Association and president-elect of the Association for the Sociology of Religion, based his lecture on extensive research into Catholic practices and sensibilities.

He is author of several books and received the 1998 Research Award from the National Conference for Catechetical Leadership.

Marianist Heritage Week Has Family Reunion Theme

The annual celebration of Marianist Heritage Week is a time when the



Marianist Family Photo

On a sunny Friday afternoon in January, members of the St. Mary's community gathered outside the University Center for a photo at the conclusion of Marianist Heritage Week, whose theme this year was Our Marianist Family Reunion.

University celebrates its Marianist traditions, charism, and Society of Mary founder Blessed William Joseph Chaminade. "Our Marianist Family Reunion" was the theme around which a variety of activities were planned.

Members of Marianist communities throughout the San Antonio area were



invited to activities that ranged from a service project to the liturgical celebration of our Marianist Heritage.

A celebration highlight was the recognition of those St. Mary's community members receiving awards. Rafael G. Moras, Ph.D., professor of industrial engineering, and Katherine M. Sisoian, vice president for Student Development (at left), were presented with the 2006 Marianist Heritage Award which acknowledges those who have made notable, deliberate contributions to the mission and identity of St. Mary's as a Marianist Catholic university.

John J. Fogarty, a senior from St. Louis, Mo., and Gregorio Pardo III, a senior from San Antonio, received the Marianist Heritage Student Leadership Award.

The Carl Fitzgerald Memorial Scholarship Award recipients were Jennifer A. Buchmeyer, a junior from Wortham, and Cynthia S. Sias, a junior from Dallas.

Latina Letters Changes Name and Outreach

After a decade of featuring the genius of stellar writers, artists, scholars and activists such as Sandra Cisneros, Cristina Garcia, Denise Chavez and many more, *Latina Letters* will broaden its scope as it becomes *Las Américas Letters: An Art and Literary Series*.

In addition to featuring Latina women writers, *Las Américas Letters* will expand to include women writers, artists and intellectuals from the southernmost tip of Argentina to the northernmost latitudes of Canada.

The event remains a collaborative effort between St. Mary's University and the Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, and will now include an advisory committee comprised of community leaders.

Gwendolyn Diaz, Ph.D., director of the Graduate Program in English Literature and Language at St. Mary's, will continue to direct the series.

Las Américas Letters will take place the first weekend in March 2007, and will feature the award-winning Native American poet and saxophonist Joy Harjo, Mexican novelist extraordinaire Cecilia Urbino, and Colombian performance artist Monica Gontovnik.



Meeting of the Minds

Phi Sigma Tau, St. Mary's philosophy society, brought together philosophers from across history to speak at its Meeting of the Minds event where St. Mary's faculty members represented their favorite thinkers. From left are: Jim Sauer, Ph.D., as David Hume; Terri Boggess, Ph.D., as Joan of Arc; student moderator and president of Phi Sigma Tau, Thomas Bolin; Peter van Dusen as Aristotle; and Patricia Owen, Ph.D., as Sigmund Freud. Dressed in period costume, the "characters" revitalized the ideas, thoughts and causes of these significant historical figures.

Women's History Month Packed with Programs

The St. Mary's Women's History Month Committee put together a jam-packed menu of activities celebrating women's history that was enjoyed by the University community throughout the month of March.

Programs encompassed myriad topics, and included presentations focusing on family struggles, empowerment, and political, social and economic development of women.



Also on tap were an art exhibit, a showing and discussion of the award-winning documentary "Born Into Brothels," as well as poetry meetings, leader-to-leader luncheons, a performance of the play "Camp David Diaries," and more.

Pictured above, from left, are Antonia Castañeda, Ph.D., associate professor of history, student Khushbu Patel, and alumna Rosalyn Falcon Collier (B.A. '70), who received the Alice Franzke Feminist Award as part of the monthlong celebration. The award commemorates the memory and work of the late English Professor Alice Franzke, whose energy and work with women, civil rights and civic involvement evokes the spirit of the award.

President's Peace Commission Focused on 'Trafficking in Humans'

"Trafficking in Humans" was the theme for this spring's President's Peace Commission held in March.

The symposium discussed the issues of modern-day slavery and the economics of human trafficking, which involves the transportation of persons for forced labor, sexual exploitation or other illicit activities.

The Art of Peace Award and the annual President's Peace Concert concluded the program. Sister Barbara Paleczny, S.S.N.D., Ph.D., founder of the South Texas Coalition Against

Human Trafficking, received the Art of Peace Award. She is a teacher, author and painter, and her social justice paintings have been exhibited regionally and nationally.

Roamin' Rattlers Update

The St. Mary's Roamin' Rattlers Travel Services continues to assemble a collection of educational, fun tours for alumni and friends of the University. Each excursion features St. Mary's professors and in-country experts who help make these adventures unforgettable.

The following trips have been scheduled or are in the planning stage for next spring and summer.

Jan. 6-21, 2007 Brazilian Adventure Cruise, led by Eva Bueno, Ph.D., associate professor of languages and a native of Brazil, departs from New Orleans, and includes an optional add-on land tour.

May 2007 (dates to be announced) – Greece, led by Rev. Charles H. Miller, S.M., S.Th.D., professor of theology and scripture scholar.

May 26-June 2, 2007 – Alaska Cruise and Tour, on the Princess Cruise Line from Vancouver, British Columbia to



Anchorage, led by David Fitzgerald, visiting assistant professor of earth sciences, includes an optional add-on land tour.

Summer 2007 (dates to be announced) – Austria/Germany Law Alumni Tour, led by Sister Grace Walle, F.M.I., D. Min., campus minister for the School of Law, includes a Continuing Legal Education option as part of the law school's Innsbruck Program.

Please contact Miller, director of University Travel Service, at roaminrattlers@stmarytx.edu or telephone (210) 436-3918 for information on tour itineraries and cost.



Dukes and Jones McClendon

Defining 'People, Politics'

Texas State Reps. Ruth Jones McClendon and Dawanna Dukes presented what it means to "Define the African American Community: People, Politics and Church" at a Coffee and Politics event. The Black Student Union sponsored a series of events and activities to celebrate Black History Month in February.

11 New Combined Programs Benefit Eager Students

St. Mary's is extending the opportunity for students to reach their educational goals. Beginning in the fall, the Graduate School will offer newly combined bachelor's and master's degree programs to serve qualified students wanting to complete two degrees simultaneously.

Combined programs include: English Communication Studies; English Literature and Language; International Relations; Political Science; Public Administration; Computer Science; Computer Information Systems; Electrical Engineering; Engineering Systems Management; Software Engineering; Industrial Engineering; and Business Administration.

Through the combined degree programs, the Graduate School is offering an additional value for St. Mary's students who wish to reach their educational goals in less time.

Accounting Students are Best in Texas

Two St. Mary's accounting students, Jenna Snider and German Lopez, have received scholarships from the Accounting Education Foundation of the Texas Society of Public Accountants (TSCPA). The statewide competitive scholarship program includes accounting majors from all Texas colleges and universities.

The foundation permits each school to nominate one junior or senior student for each 50 accounting majors enrolled in the undergraduate program. TSCPA awarded 137 scholarships to the best and the brightest accounting students in the state.

Bar Results Improve at Midyear

Students at the School of Law taking the midyear bar exam improved their passage rate by almost 10 percentage points over last year. Some 81 percent of the 26 first-time test takers passed the exam compared to 72 percent in 2005.

The improved passage rate—the highest February rate since 1997—moves St. Mary's up from seventh to fifth place among Texas' nine law schools.

The Rattler Racks Up More Awards

The student newspaper, *The Rattler*, earned more than 60 awards for excellence during the past year. Included among them were honorable mention for Newspaper of the Year from Associated Collegiate Press, 11 first place awards (of 33 received) from the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association, first place for newspaper from the American Scholastic Press Association, and three first place awards from the Columbia University of New York, School of Journalism.

■ Newsmakers



Cotrell Recipient of Brotherhood Award

St. Mary's President Charles L. Cotrell, Ph.D., received the Brotherhood Humanitarian Award from the National Conference for Community and Justice on Feb. 21. Cotrell was recognized for his lifetime efforts in the community to promote understanding and respect among all races, religions and cultures through advocacy, conflict resolution and education.



Students Showcase Undergraduate Research

The seventh annual Undergraduate Research Symposium and Creative Activities Exhibition, which fosters scholarly dialogue among students and faculty, was held during Homecoming Weekend in April.

St. Mary's undergraduate students showcased more than 170 projects, including scientific investigations, analytical reviews or projects, innovations/inventions, honors theses, senior projects and original works of art, media, poetry or writing. For more information about undergraduate research at St. Mary's, as well as a list of all 2006 symposium presenters and presentations, visit the Undergraduate Research Web site at www.stmarytx.edu/uro.



Students March for Peace

St. Mary's students, faculty and staff walk in the Martin Luther King Jr. Citywide March in San Antonio on Jan. 16, to commemorate MLK Day. The University community participated in several activities during the weeklong celebration of King's legacy of peace and nonviolence.



All-Women's Court Features Five Alumnae

Five of the seven justices currently serving on the Texas Fourth Court of Appeals are graduates of St. Mary's School of Law. The court includes (seated from left) alumnae Sandee Bryan Marion (J.D. '80) and Chief Justice Alma Lopez (B.B.A. '65, J.D. '69), as well as Rebecca Simmons. Standing, from left, are Sara Duncan, and alumnae Karen Angelini (J.D. '79), Catherine Stone (J.D. '82), and Phyllis Speedlin (J.D. '83).

Nation's Only All-Women Appellate Court Hears Cases at St. Mary's

The Texas Fourth Court of Appeals heard two cases at St. Mary's Law School Courtroom.

The court, which is made up of seven justices, all of them women—and five of whom are alumnae of St. Mary's School of Law—heard oral arguments in a criminal appeals case and a civil appellate case.

The event was co-sponsored by the St. Mary's Law Alumni Association, the St. Mary's Women's Law Association, St. Mary's Law Ministry and the Bexar County Women's Bar Association.

After the court hearing a portrait of Chief Justice Alma Lopez was unveiled in the Law Alumni Room of the Sarita Kenedy East Library.

Missouri Senator Donates Collection to Blume Library

Sen. Thomas F. Eagleton of Missouri recently donated his personal collection of Middle East studies to the Louis J. Blume Library at St. Mary's University in honor of political science Professor Steven R. Neiheisel, Ph.D.

The senator held a reception for alumni and prospective students in the St. Louis area at his home in Clayton, Mo., to celebrate the library's new collection.

Eagleton, whose contribution will enhance the library's special collections, was a U.S. senator for the state of Missouri from 1968 to 1987. Neiheisel was the senator's first teaching assistant at Washington University.

Top Students Recognized by President Cotrell

The 12th annual St. Mary's

University Presidential Awards, recognizing top students for outstanding contributions and service as leaders in the community for 2005-2006, were presented on April 19 in the University Center.

President Charles L. Cotrell, Ph.D., presented the winners with a medallion featuring the St. Mary's University seal.

Also recognized during the program were student leaders in athletics, Greek organizations, University Ministry, service, student life, university programming, wellness and recreation sports, and many more.

See the Presidential Award winners pictured with Cotrell on the inside back cover.

Alumni Association Honors Distinguished Faculty

The St. Mary's Alumni Association honored faculty members and recognized six professors for excellence in teaching at its annual Faculty Appreciation Dinner in January.

The 2005-2006 Distinguished Faculty are: Orion "Jim" Welch, Ph.D., associate professor of finance and qualitative management, Bill Greehey School of Business; Brian St. John, M.F.A., assistant professor of art and Patricia Owen, Ph.D., professor of psychology, School of Humanities and Social Sciences; Olga Lobban, Ph.D.,

assistant professor of physics, School of Science, Engineering and Technology; Brother Ed Violet, S.M., Ph.D., assistant professor of international relations, Graduate School; and Willy E. Rice, J.D., Ph.D., professor of law, School of Law.

Good Deeds

Local Business Leader Supports International Education at St. Mary's

Carlos E. Alvarez, president and CEO of The Gambinus Co., and his wife, Maria, recently made a generous contribution of \$100,000 to support students and internationalization at St. Mary's.

The gift will have a three-fold impact. The Alvarez International Education Fund will support scholarships for St. Mary's undergraduate students who participate in University-sponsored semester abroad programs.

The Alvarez United States-Mexican Student Exchange Project will fund a joint faculty and student international learning project.

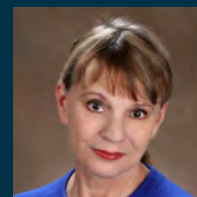
And, the Alvarez International Student Fund will provide resources for international students with financial need.



Orion "Jim" Welch



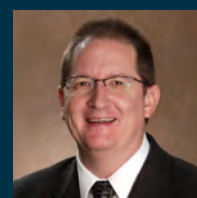
Brian St. John



Patricia Owen



Olga Lobban



Brother Ed Violet, S.M.



Willy E. Rice



Alumni, faculty and friends celebrate Sister Ann Semel's birthday and the successful endowment of a scholarship in her name. Pictured, from left, are David and Karen Lee Zachry, Mary Rohmer Uhlig, Oscar Semel III, Julie Rohmer Collins, Elizabeth and Bob McAdams, Sister Barbara Paleczny, Caroline Byrd, Sister Ann, Cynthia Massey, Rosemary Cutting, Jenness and Steve Davidson, Doris Slay-Barber, Dean Janet Dizunno, and Adriana Villafranca.

Fund-raising Goal for Beloved Professor is Surpassed

The Sister Ann Semel Scholarship Fund is officially endowed thanks to dedicated alumni and faculty who celebrated her birthday early this year with an intimate gathering of friends and former students. As an honor to Semel, everyone involved contributed and raised the funds necessary to reach endowment level.

When she arrived on campus in 1967, Semel was the first female faculty member in humanities, and only the third full-time female teacher at St. Mary's. The scholarship honors all the women faculty members that have served St. Mary's over the years.

Semel invites her former students to stop by campus for a visit. Those wishing to make a contribution to the scholarship may contact the Development Office at (210) 436-3718, or make a gift online at www.stmarytx.edu/semel. A personal video of Sister Ann can be viewed at the Web site.

Recent Gift Increases Student Access to Scholarship Support

In January, The David M. Crowley Foundation contributed \$20,000 to the endowed scholarship fund named in honor of Crowley. Established in 1995, this fund provides support to students who have made a commitment to academic excellence and demonstrate financial need.

Chicago Alum Establishes Endowed Scholarship

The Peter G. Beemsterboer Scholarship Fund was established by the 1980 business school alumnus to provide financial support for undergraduate students enrolled in the Bill Greehey School of Business.

Beemsterboer graduated with a degree in marketing and was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity while attending St. Mary's. Today he manages operations at Beemsterboer Slag & Ballast Corp. in Chicago.

Foundation Establishes Initiative for Tuition Assistance

The John G. and Marie Stella Kenedy Memorial Foundation, a major South Texas charity, has started a new initiative with the focus to provide tuition assistance to Catholic educational institutions. St. Mary's University is the recipient of \$25,000 from this initiative, which may be renewed on an annual basis at the foundation's discretion.

The foundation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes. Founded in 1961 by Sarita Kenedy East, granddaughter of Mifflin Kenedy and Petra Vela Kenedy, the foundation has donated more than \$200 million to charitable causes and organizations in Texas.

Local Foundation Supports Scholarships and Student Community Service

The USAA Foundation awarded a grant to St. Mary's University in support of scholarships for students who have demonstrated academic success as well as a commitment to community service. Scholarship recipients are selected based on their completed application packet, which calls for a detailed accounting of their community service involvement.

Foundation Adds to Endowed Scholarship

The Marguerite Sours Foundation recently made a \$10,000 addition to the Charlotte Walston Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship was established in 2002 in memory of Mrs. Walston, beloved wife of William Walston Sr. (J.D. '70), and mother of William Walston (J.D. '84).

Renovations Set for St. Louis Hall

With leadership from University Trustee Bill Greehey, St. Mary's is currently raising funds to renovate St. Louis Hall, which is included in the first phase of the Facilities Master Plan.

The St. Louis Hall Renovation Project will revitalize St. Mary's original building, highlighting its purpose in the community and rich history as a Catholic Marianist institution.



Rendition of restored corridor in St. Louis Hall.



Heritage Club members gather for a special Mass and reception in February. Pictured, from left, are Les Tschoepe (B.S.C. '43), Mat Hizfelder (B.S.C. '39), Brother Cletus Behlmann, S.M. (B.A. '56), Mary Lou and Ricardo Tamez, M.D. (B.S. '49), Herbert Rice (B.S. '51), Ambrose Szalwinski (B.A. '52), Peter Irwin (B.A. '51), Frank Gebhardt (B.B.A. '52), and Homer Fetzer (B.S. '54).

Heritage Club Gathers for Mass

On a beautiful Sunday in late February, Heritage Club alumni gathered together for a private Mass and reception to reminisce and celebrate their Catholic Marianist roots. All former students of 50 and more years ago gain automatic membership to the club.

The Rev. Bernard Lee, S.M., Th.D., vice president for Mission and Identity and a Heritage Club member since 2004, officiated the Mass.

The Heritage Club Giving Program, headed up this year by co-chairs Brother Cletus Behlmann, S.M. (B.A. '56) and Peter Irwin (B.A. '51), encourages alumni to return to St. Mary's and give back to their alma mater.

The club raises donations to support the St. Mary's Fund and usually holds two events each year, including the Heritage Club Reunion held annually as part of Homecoming Weekend. At their April reunion, the Heritage Club presented a check to St. Mary's in the amount of \$126,443.

School of Law Surpasses Courtroom Goal

The School of Law has surpassed its \$1.6 million goal for courtroom renovations and technology upgrades. Led by a \$300,000 challenge grant from the SBC Foundation and University support, some \$1.63 million has been raised for the improvement initiative.

Construction on the facility in the Law Classroom Building is expected to be completed by the beginning of the fall semester.

Sports Corner

Baseball Coach Migl Marks 700th Win

Rattlers baseball coach Charlie Migl collected his 700th win on March 10 when St. Mary's went 4-0 on the



road against Oklahoma Panhandle State. Head coach for 20 seasons, Migl was named the 2006 Heartland Conference

Coch of the Year.

The Rattlers posted an overall record of 36-18 (28-12 in conference). Named to the All-Heartland Conference Team were: first baseman and Player of the Year John Alvarez (junior exercise and sport major), Co-Pitcher of the Year Caleb Staudt (senior marketing major), outfielder and Co-Freshman of the Year Michael Brzezinski (business major), relief pitcher Zach Kucera (sophomore exercise and sport science major), and utility player Ryan Femath (senior exercise and sport science major).

Team Advances, Fields Tallies 400th Victory

Proving seeding meant very little in this year's Heartland Conference Tournament, the St. Mary's Lady Rattlers stormed up the loser's bracket as the No.



4 seed to capture the conference tourney crown. And fittingly, Rattlers head coach Donna Fields picked up her 400th win in the process.

St. Mary's (49-25 overall, 15-9 conference) worked its way out of the loser's bracket to defeat the Western New Mexico University Mustangs twice to seal the conference tournament championship. That feat earned the Lady Rattlers their sixth straight championship and also an automatic bid to the South Central Regional Tournament for the sixth straight year. Held at Midwestern University in Wichita Falls, the Rattlers advanced to the regional semi-final game before falling to Incarnate Word 6-3.

Five players were named to the All-Heartland Conference teams. Named to the first team were: Pitcher of the Year Malissa Magee (sophomore interdisciplinary reading major), graduating senior leftfielder Tiffani Craft (corporate finance major), and senior centerfielder Terrie Cox Dulin (general business major). Shortstop and Co-Freshman of the Year Jessica Romero (exercise and sport science major) and pitcher Brittany Brown-Kettinger (junior exercise and sport science major) were named to the second team.

Basketball

The St. Mary's Lady Rattlers women's basketball team won the Heartland Conference Tournament, earning an automatic trip to the NCAA Division II Tournament.

The Lady Rattlers traveled to Topeka, Kan., where they lost to defending national champion Washburn University in the opening round of the tournament. The team made its third national tournament appearance in the last five seasons.

Guard Becca Herbst (sophomore humanities major) and post Charlena Rodez (junior psychology major) were named to the All-Heartland Conference Second Team, while forward Juliett Williams (senior English major) and forward Ashton Benford (freshman speech communications major) were named honorable mention selections.

In Coach Jim Zeleznak's inaugural season at the helm, the men's basketball team finished 14-14 for the year.

Joe Allen (sophomore humanities major), a post player, was named to the All-Heartland Conference First Team, and point guard Rod Bellard (freshman marketing major) was named Heartland Conference Freshman of the Year.

Wing Steve Goff (senior exercise and sport science major) and guard Jarvis Lee (junior exercise and sport science major) were named All-Heartland Honorable Mentions.

Golf

On the men's golf squad, Jamie Amoretti (junior corporate finance major) and Greg McAuley (senior corporate finance major) made the All-Heartland Conference First Team, while seniors KC Lim (exercise and sport science major) and Braden Graham (economics major) made the second team.

From the St. Mary's women's golf team, Jessica Harbin (senior English-communication arts major) made the All-Heartland First Team, and Lesan Gouge (sophomore exercise and sport science major) and juniors Elizabeth Brandt and Elizabeth Ried (both general business majors), were second team selections.

Tennis

In men's tennis, Jon Bush (senior corporate finance major) and Troy Neighbors (sophomore criminal justice major) were named to the All-Heartland Tennis Team.

Women's tennis team member Abigail Martinez, a senior majoring in entrepreneurial studies, also made the All-Heartland team.

Athletics Hall of Fame Inducts Five New Members

Five alumni were inducted into the Athletics Hall of Fame in January at a luncheon and awards ceremony held in Bill Greehey Arena. It marked the first time the event has been held on campus since its inception in 1984.

Mark W. Christian (CL '89), a pitcher and designated hitter for the Rattler baseball team from 1986 to 1989, posted a 22-6 cumulative record with five saves. Christian is a sales representative for Penske Truck Leasing. He lives in Universal City with his wife, Jill, and children Cody and Kaitlyn.



Five Join Athletics Hall of Fame

Inducted into the St. Mary's University Athletics Hall of Fame on Jan. 21, 2006, were, from left, Jack Finger, associate, Monique Fluellen, softball, Mark Christian, baseball, April Fricke, volleyball, and Mike Livermore, soccer.

Jack L. Finger (B.A., B.B.A. '48) enters the Hall as an associate for his efforts to initiate varsity baseball at St. Mary's. Finger lettered playing shortstop from 1946 to 1948, served as team captain, and spent many years as an active athletics booster. He is retired and lives in Helotes with Jurleen, his wife of 54 years. The Fingers have six adult children.

J. Monique Fluellen (B.B.A. '94) excelled on the softball diamond for four years, where she pitched and played in the outfield. Fluellen made four national tournament appearances, was a four-time NAIA All-American, and two-time Most Valuable Player. She resides in Fresno and works as a sales service specialist for ExxonMobil.

April M. Fricke (B.A. '95) was dominant as middle blocker/outside hitter on the Rattler volleyball team from 1992 to 1994. She was a two-time District Most Valuable Player and earned All-American honors in 1993. Fricke resides in San Antonio where she serves as assistant volleyball coach at Trinity University, and owns her own business.

Michael E. Livermore (B.B.A. '90) is the second soccer player inducted into the Hall. At the position of midfielder, Livermore led all scoring with 15 goals in 1989. As a three-year team captain, he earned all-conference honors and was named an NCAA/NAIA State Collegiate All-Star. Livermore owns a laser tattoo removal clinic in Austin where he lives

with his wife, Martha, and their children Carlin and Owen.

Greehey Arena Site of International Basketball

St. Mary's University trustee and Valero Energy Corp. Chairman Bill Greehey is chairman of the 2006 International Basketball Federation Americas (FIBA) U18 (Under-18) Championship for Men.

At a news conference held at St. Mary's in March, it was announced that USA Basketball is partnering with the San Antonio Sports Foundation to host the tournament on campus at the Bill Greehey Arena from June 28 through July 2, 2006.

San Antonio is the first U.S. city to host this international basketball tournament which will feature eight national teams comprised of athletes under the age of 18. In addition to the United States, teams will represent Argentina, Bahamas, Brazil, Canada, Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico and Uruguay.

Based in Colorado Springs, Colo., USA Basketball is a nonprofit organization and the national governing body for men's and women's basketball in the United States. ■

One Man Making a Difference

by Candace J. Kuebker, Executive Editor

The excitement was palpable as hundreds arrived to witness one man making a difference.

Bill Greehey asserts often that St. Mary's helped pave the way to his success. And, he says, it is the Marianists who taught him values that have guided him in life and business. Thus, in a March 7 ceremony filled with much fanfare, an energized crowd celebrated the newly named Bill Greehey School of Business at St. Mary's University.

On that balmy spring day, as a tribute to his loyalty and support—including his unprecedented \$25 million gift to endow St. Mary's undergraduate and graduate business

deeply affected by members of the Society of Mary, who were his teachers and mentors.

The Marianists' mission of academic excellence, ethical commitment, servant leadership and community building infused Greehey's student experience and is reflected in his life. Brother George Kohnen, S.M., the first dean of the business school, and Brother Paul Goelz, S.M., among others, influenced his lifelong commitment to service and to St. Mary's.

Fresh from four years in the Air Force and supporting a family, Greehey took classes at San Antonio College before enrolling at St. Mary's to study accounting. When he told Brother Kohnen he had only enough money for living expenses, he was encouraged to focus on his studies and



Bill Greehey visits with guests before activities begin on March 7.

change at St. Mary's and played a major role as the first lay vice chairman of the board during the presidency of the Rev. John A. Leies, S.M. Enrollment grew, new facilities were built, and Greehey was on hand providing leadership and business advice.

For his good works he was honored as the business school's Distinguished Graduate in 1983, the Greehey Scholarship was initiated by a fellow



Hundreds gather outside of the business school for the naming ceremony.



Students meet Bill Greehey after his presentation.



President Emeritus, the Rev. John A. Leies, S.M., addresses an enthusiastic crowd.



President Charles L. Cotrell and Bill Greehey look on as the new school sign is revealed.

programs—the school from which he had graduated more than 45 years before was named to honor him.

Support Begins Early

Greehey's contributions to St. Mary's—in leadership, time and personal resources—span five decades. His reason for giving back is simple: It makes him feel good to help where he can.

On Nov. 30, 1961, he began doing just that. His first \$4 gift to St. Mary's may not seem large today, but it symbolizes the beginning of his dedication and gratitude to St. Mary's, where he greatly admired and was

Kohnen would find a way. Greehey graduated from St. Mary's with honors in 1960.

Greehey built a thriving professional career. When he moved to San Antonio from Houston in the late 1970s, he was invited by the Rev. James A. Young, S.M., president, to get involved at St. Mary's. The two developed a lasting friendship built on mutual respect.

Connection Remains Strong

Greehey sat on advisory councils and frequently participated in business school activities. He joined the Board of Trustees in 1981 during a decade of

trustee, and he received the school's highest honor, the St. Mary's University Distinguished Alumnus Award, in 1986.

After leaving the board in 1988, Greehey maintained his strong ties to St. Mary's. A particularly satisfying accomplishment came in 1991 when he was honored with the George B. Kohnen Award. Named for his mentor, the award recognized Greehey's notable leadership of Valero Energy Corp.—as longtime Chairman and CEO—as well as contributions to his profession and to society. Three decades after his graduation, the Marianists' influence remained strong.

“I received an outstanding education at St. Mary’s because I learned more than academics from the Marianists—I learned about the importance of giving back to the community.”



Keith Russell, dean of the Bill Greehey School of Business, unveils the photo that will be displayed in the Albert B. Alkek Business Building.

Currently, he is raising funds to modernize St. Louis Hall.

Greehey’s interest is not limited to bricks and mortar projects. He has long supported academic excellence. Significantly and immediately, his \$25 million cash donation to endow the business school—the largest single gift in St. Mary’s 154-year history and the biggest ever given to any San Antonio-area university—will help St. Mary’s recruit top students from around the world and attract internationally known professors. The endowment will advance academic excellence and scholarship, and propel the Bill Greehey School of Business at St. Mary’s to national prominence and premier status.

When announcing his gift, Greehey noted that the endowment “will put St. Mary’s business school on the path to becoming one of the top schools in the country.” More important, he says, is that “it will help us develop future

Living the Legacy

Greehey’s boundless generosity, leadership and dedication to St. Mary’s are inspiring. His involvement has and will affect St. Mary’s students’ experiences in the classroom, on the playing fields and beyond for generations to come. He truly is living the legacy instilled by the Marianist priests and brothers he has held in such high regard.

With Greehey, that Marianist legacy plays out every day. His philosophy to serve, to give back, to, as he says, “always do the right things for the right reasons,” has steered him in business and in life.

St. Mary’s President Charles L.

Building a Better St. Mary’s

Greehey met Buddy Meyer (who played basketball for St. Mary’s from 1961 to 1965 and later became head coach) in the 1960s. Both were from small, hardscrabble towns where going to college wasn’t the norm, both served in the Air Force, and both wound up at St. Mary’s. Over the years, they forged a friendship.

When Greehey was asked to chair the campaign to build an athletics facility he agreed for several reasons—his friendship with Meyer was one—but mainly because “the students



The Greehey family gathers to commemorate the special occasion.



Ignacio Martinez and Sarah Ingram present Bill Greehey with gifts on behalf of the student body.



Bill Greehey presents the newly named school’s inaugural executive leadership lecture.

deserve better.” Ground was broken for the \$22 million facility in 1999, and on Nov. 27, 2000, the Alumni Athletics & Convocation Center opened. The center’s 3,800-seat Bill Greehey Arena is named as a tribute to his campaign leadership.

His loyalty to St. Mary’s stands firm today. Greehey rejoined the Board of Trustees in 2001 and has been instrumental in raising additional funds for the University.

He is passionate about enhancing the University campus, as demonstrated by his involvement with the Gateway to Historic St. Mary’s University project, which added aesthetic and practical improvements.

business leaders who are committed to excellence, to doing what’s right and to giving back to their communities.”

Considering his passion for education, ethical business practices and service (Valero employees volunteer almost 250,000 hours to their communities annually), it is not surprising that to celebrate his 40-year anniversary with the company, current and retired employees, board members and friends endowed the \$1.5 million Bill Greehey Chair for Business Ethics and Corporate Social Responsibility at St. Mary’s. Although retired as CEO, Greehey continues to serve as Valero’s chairman.

Cottrell, Ph.D., sees the difference he is making.

“Bill Greehey’s leadership and vision will...inspire future generations of students to lead by example,” he says.

It is evident that one man can and does make a difference. At St. Mary’s University, that difference has been profound. Why Greehey chooses to do so is captured in his own words: “I received an outstanding education at St. Mary’s because I learned more than academics from the Marianists—I learned about the importance of giving back to the community. They taught me that you are never a success until you share that success.” ■

‘Style’ Frames University’s Mission

**St. Mary’s University,
as a Catholic Marianist University,
fosters the formation of people in faith
and educates leaders for the common good
through community,
integrated liberal arts and professional education,
and academic excellence.**

John Henry Cardinal Newman said that a successful Catholic university education should show up in the “style” that marks a human life for all time. St. Mary’s has a newly formed Mission from the Board of Trustees. It reframes the traditions that have animated our soul since the beginning, describing the style of human life to which we aspire to educate.

In a solid Catholic university, part of the style of living is to be people who care deeply about the common good, and exercise leadership in its behalf. St. Mary’s graduates should be competent to make the world a better place. Justice matters profoundly. Ideas are inert if they are not put to work to make the world a better place.

In a Marianist university, faith belongs to our style of education. It is commitment in the depths of soul to something larger than just living. To

the question “Is that all there is?” St. Mary’s responds, “That most certainly is *not* all there is. There’s *more*.” Father Chaminade, often citing St. Paul, knew that “heart” is the fundamental home for human faith. That’s why “Mary treasured all these things and pondered them in her heart.”

St. Mary’s University’s faith is a heart faith enlivened by a clear and learned mind.

If you are a strong Catholic university, the interaction between liberal arts education and professional education is imperative. The university, a Catholic invention in Western culture, sprang from cathedral schools and learned monasteries, and from the beginning combined the liberal arts with the professions.

A recent article about Harvard University says that “part of becoming a responsible adult educated in the best tradition of human thought is to come to grips, personally, with the basic questions of life.” St. Mary’s intends to

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educate highly competent professionals who come to grips with life’s questions, and to educate thinkers who have the professional competencies to matter in the world. That’s the integration of liberal arts and professional education. That’s a style of being human!

If you are a strong Marianist university, the claim that all of this happens “through community” is not just nice words. Becoming educated is a social act that happens in a social environment where “communities of interpretation” and “communities of discourse” are a serious style of learning and teaching. Students, faculty and staff engage together.

The Marianist Rule of Life says that community is the privileged apostolic instrument, and in a university, it is a privileged pedagogical instrument in which faculty and students learn and teach together. Community is not just good fellowship. It is the basis of true social capital in which people together create and share a destiny. That is the inherent and defining style of a Marianist university.

And finally, there is a temptation to feel apologetic for a trite phrase such

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as “academic excellence.” Probably every university everywhere makes that claim. And everybody means it too. The difference is in what “excellence” defines, and in how excellence directs a university to levy its resources and hold itself responsible. St. Mary’s promises learning excellence in a community of learning. That’s our style, and the outcome is learned and competent women and men full of heart to make a world that is just and beautiful. That’s academic excellence at St. Mary’s University. ■

It's been 50 years since Brother Charles Cummiskey, S.M., Ph.D., strode into Garni Hall and began his first chemistry lecture at St. Mary's University. And it's still where you'll find him every fall and spring. "(I like) the challenge to do a good job, whatever it is, and to do it the best you can do."

Born in St. Louis in 1924, Cummiskey was inspired by Marianist teachers at McBride High School to join the Society of Mary. As a first-year scholastic, he was summoned to Detroit's Holy Redeemer School to replace an injured teacher. "The student council president—future Marianist Joe Barrett—filled in until I

Donohoo, James Gray, and Marion Belka, all of whom taught at St. Mary's.

By way of South Bend, Cummiskey arrived in San Antonio in 1955.

During his early years, he was a Chaminade Hall proctor while teaching two freshman chemistry classes plus labs, and two math or religion classes each semester. He chaired the chemistry department and was its first graduate adviser, and with assistance from the Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research, he added



Brother Charles Cummiskey, S.M., Ph.D.

50 Years and Staying Put

by Candace J. Kuebker, Executive Editor

got there. I had 53 seventh-grade boys, the oldest being 16 years old and I was 18!" Cummiskey says.

Along with earning degrees at the University of Dayton (B.S. '44), and Northwestern University (M.S. '52), he taught high school in St. Louis. After taking perpetual vows in 1945, Cummiskey was appointed Postulant Prefect at Maryhurst, the Marianist postulate, where he taught math, religion, French and chemistry. Except for a one-year detour to St. Boniface High School in Winnipeg—where he first taught chemistry—he was at Maryhurst until 1952, teaching postulants and first-year scholastics.

When provincial superiors directed Cummiskey to get a doctorate, he earned his in inorganic and nuclear chemistry from the University of Notre Dame in three years. Spurred by interest in the developing space program, many St. Mary's students were interested in chemistry and the department chair, Brother Ed Collignon, was eager to get a Ph.D. in the department.

At Notre Dame, Cummiskey was one of several brothers pursuing doctorates known as "The (Marianist) Four Horsemen" (after Knute Rockne's fabled 1920s Fighting Irish backfield). The quartet included Cummiskey, and Brothers John

biochemistry to the curriculum.

When Brother Joseph Schmitz fell ill in 1965, Cummiskey filled Schmitz's vacant vice president-dean of faculty job. He spent nine-and-a-half years as St. Mary's chief academic officer, but never stopped teaching (albeit a lighter load).

As vice president, Cummiskey hired faculty. He recruited them by emphasizing St. Mary's commitment to teaching and sharing with them its mission. In those days, he says, the faculty was smaller and "you were rubbing elbows with them all the time—in the mailroom (we picked up our own mail in the basement of St. Louis Hall), in the coffee lounge next door, and at Faculty Club events," he says.

In his 50 years at St. Mary's, Cummiskey has taught all but biochemistry courses offered by the department, and he was honored as a Minnie Stevens Piper Professor in 1979 for his teaching of organic chemistry. Ten years ago he reduced his course load to one lecture class and lab; however, he now produces the University catalogs!

Today about 100 St. Mary's students are majoring in chemistry and biochemistry, most in the latter. The interest, Cummiskey surmises, comes from what's going on in science today.

"There's so much happening in the development of new drugs and there's been a research explosion in that industry," he says.

After all these years, he still favors teaching freshman students. "(I try) to get them off to a good start...and I figure they'll be around for four years and I'll get to interact with them more," he explains.

With teaching one precept stays the same. "How well a student does depends entirely on how hard and efficiently they are willing to work," he says.

And why has he spent most of his professional career at St. Mary's? "Well," he says chuckling, "they (his provincial superiors) never asked me to do anything else."

Lucky for thousands of St. Mary's students who, for a half century, have been the beneficiaries of Brother Charles Cummiskey, doing the best job he can do. ■



Cummiskey was mentor to the late Carlos De Llano (B.S. '58), who would go on to earn a doctorate at The University of Texas at Austin.

St. Mary's Powwow Honors Texas Indians

by Milo Colton, Ph.D., J.D., Associate Professor of Criminal Justice, Grace Keyes, Ph.D., Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology and NASA Faculty Adviser, and Stephanie Sanchez, Graduate Student and NASA President

In the background, two drums representing the heartbeat of Mother Earth and her Indian people alternate between each another, keeping a constant beat. Singers intone their high-pitched songs, infusing dancers and participants with the joy of powwow that brings enduring memories, camaraderie and opportunity to honor aboriginal ancestors.

At last, a grand and triumphant parade of dancers spills onto the powwow ground. The slights of the past are forgiven, a commitment to understanding and peace is affirmed, and for hours, Indians and non-Indians dance together as one family and one community.

Committed Few Start the Native American Student Association

Such was the scene last fall at St. Mary's during the intertribal "Learning Traditions Powwow," which celebrated the legacy of American Indians in Texas. It was sponsored by the St. Mary's Native American Student Association (NASA) and the North American Indians class taught by Grace Keyes. They were joined in producing the powwow by members of United San Antonio Powwow Inc., a local nonprofit organization dedicated to dispelling stereotypes of American Indians and promoting a positive image of native people.

NASA is a small but dedicated core of St. Mary's students whose activities help honor and promote the cultural heritage of American Indians.

Today's NASA began in 2002 when Terence Vincent (B.A. '03), a Kiowa Indian, recruited students interested in Indian affairs to join after he enrolled in a North American Indian course. Now studying podiatry in Ohio, Vincent hopes to serve American Indians living on reservations in Oklahoma where some of his relatives reside.

Ymelda Rivera (B.A. '04) of Pueblo Indian descent followed Vincent as president and organized the first powwow at St. Mary's. She is currently pursuing graduate work in museum studies at the University of Washington.

Alex Acosta (B.A. '04) of Cherokee ancestry was the association's third president, and current president Stephanie Sanchez (B.A. '05), also of Cherokee descent, is pursuing a master's degree in Communication Studies at St. Mary's.

A Brief History of Texas Indians

When Europeans first set foot in the vast territory that would become Texas, the Indian population was large and diverse.

According to John C. Ewers, Ethnologist Emeritus of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., Texas once had more tribes than any other future state.

"Nowhere else in the American West did tribes of so many cultures live in such close proximity," he wrote. "In Texas alone, buffalo-hunting nomads of the plains met not only horticultural tribes of the plains and woodlands, but also hunter-gatherers of the southwestern deserts and fishermen of the Gulf Coast."

Today, the footprints of the First People can be found throughout the state. They are in the names of towns and cities such as Cibolo (the Comanche word for buffalo), and Wichita Falls and Nacogdoches (after two tribes). Even the name of our state is from the Caddoan word *tejas*, which means friend.



St. Mary's Professor Milo Colton and NASA President Stephanie Sanchez in traditional Cherokee garb.



Milo Colton appears at the Learning Traditions Powwow in American Indian grey wolf headdress and pelt.

Texans benefit from the patience and handiwork of ancient Indian horticulturalists who gave the modern world cash crops of corn, squash, beans, white and sweet potatoes, peanuts, cotton, tomatoes, chili, avocado, pumpkin, sunflowers, and many others.

The Coahuiltecans were the first native converts to Catholicism and the workforce that built the Alamo and other Spanish missions in the vicinity of San Antonio.

Unfortunately, disease, war and forced removal nearly extinguished the Texas Indian population in the 19th century. The 1890 U.S. Census showed the number of Indians living in Texas had dwindled to less than 300.

In the 20th century the American Indian population in Texas experienced a remarkable comeback. Between 1970 and 2000, that population grew from 17,957 to 215,599, representing almost 200 tribes and making Texas the state with the fourth largest American Indian population in the nation.

The American Indian renaissance in Texas can be explained by many factors, such as laws against discrimination, especially in education and employment, along with advances in medicine and health care.

A Gathering of Nations at St. Mary's

Although cool and overcast that morning at St. Mary's, dancers, drummers and vendors wearing regalia representing the many different tribes that populated the territory of Texas began arriving on campus. It was perfect weather for a vigorous workout by native men, women and children.

Many non-Indians also attended, including students and staff from St. Mary's, local elementary and secondary school children, Boy Scouts, and people in the community curious about the workings of a modern powwow.

Gourd dancers—mostly middle-aged and elderly veterans who had served in the U.S. military—sang and performed dances that prepared and cleansed the area prior to the actual powwow. The Gourd Dance was handed down from the Kiowa Tribe which roamed throughout western Texas.

Traditional dancers wore elaborate feathered bustles tied to the small of their backs and two eagle feathers as a headdress. They carried feathered fans, shields painted with heraldic designs and dance sticks with eagle talons or animal heads on one end, looking as if they had just returned from a hunt or battle.

Straight dancers, more subdued in their dress, wore headdresses made from the skins of animals or bright hued scarf-like turbans sporting dyed ostrich feathers. Grass dancers wore outfits with colorful fringed yarn that rippled in the wind, mimicking the waves of long grasses on the open plains.

Graceful women southern cloth dancers wore resplendent shimmering dresses and shawls of blue, red and turquoise. Jingle dress dancers, with hundreds of singing metal cones attached to their bright colorful dresses, rivaled the southern cloth dancer, as did the beautiful women fancy shawl dancers, looking like butterflies whenever they extended their arms.

The powwow held at St. Mary's gave all those in attendance a better understanding of the rich multicultural heritage that continues to influence our state and our society. ■

Students Study Ancient Texas Indian Cave Paintings

This past April, St. Mary's NASA members hiked into two ancient Indian sites 45 miles west of Del Rio.

At the White Shaman Shelter, students examined a limestone wall 9 feet long and 4 and one-half feet high containing the images of more than 30 anthropomorphic figures, birds, animals and monsters, including a White Shaman, painted by Indian inhabitants of the area 4,000 years ago. According to the late James Zintgraff Jr., an expert on Texas ancient rock art, "The pictographs . . . are some of the best in the world, both in complexity and beauty."

After a couple of hours at the White Shaman site, the St. Mary's party moved on to explore Seminole Canyon rock art paintings at Fate Bell Shelter, which is a massive 150 yards long and 40 yards deep in places, and covered with hundreds of figures on its wall, including deer, cougar, birds, and shamans—some as tall as 6 feet.



Marian Health Care Winner Jimenez

an Advocate for the Poor, Community Health Care

by Rob Leibold, Associate Editor



When he was a child, Robert Jimenez's father instilled in him the philosophy of helping the poor—and doing it without recognition.

As chairman of the board of managers since 1992 for University Health Systems, the public hospital district for Bexar County, Jimenez has been able to realize that ambition on a community-wide scale. For his

learned to speak English, and was exposed to a different culture.

"It was not intended by the school, but by mastering the King's English you were going to succeed. Being able to communicate would get you what you were after," Jimenez says.

He took that education and attended community college and then St. Mary's where he received his bachelor's degree in biology and philosophy.

Two men at St. Mary's profoundly influenced Jimenez and his future, Marianist Brothers Thomas Treadaway and John Totten.

The legendary registrar Treadaway steered Jimenez in his choice of classes in the pre-med program.

"(Treadaway) had a vision of what a Christian doctor ought to be. He guided us in a stern but loving way. He told us, 'You do XYZ, and we will get you into medical school.' All of us went on to medical school and became very good friends," Jimenez says.

Totten introduced Jimenez to the study of philosophy that serves to guide his understanding of science. "Brother Totten was totally dedicated to reach for the truth," Jimenez says.

"And without philosophy, you would not be able to know and understand the truth. He is one of the most likeable, kind, gentle and brilliant professors that I ever met. He instilled in me a love of learning, the love of knowledge for knowledge's sake."

From St. Mary's, Jimenez completed his medical training at The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston and his internship at the Brady Green Medical Complex and The University of Texas Health Sciences Center at San Antonio.

After serving in the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps in Vietnam, Jimenez dedicated his life to the Virgin of Guadalupe by deciding to become a "good doctor, work for peace and rededicate my life to the principles passed to me by my father."

He turned to the practice of psychiatry while he was assigned to U.S. Naval Disciplinary Command in Portsmouth, Ore. "I gave up the idea of being a surgeon after I met psychiatrists who were doing forensic psychiatry," Jimenez says.

He completed psychiatric training and a fellowship in community and legal psychiatry at Boston University Medical Center where he served on the faculty, as well as the faculties of Boston College Graduate School of Social Work, Northeastern University College of Criminal Justice and Harvard Medical School.

Jimenez decided to move back to San Antonio to help develop a program to improve the quality of health care for the Mexican-American community.

With him he carried a desire to establish medical facilities in communities that need them the most. Over the past 10 to 12 years community health care centers have opened in various parts of the city.

"Our primary mission at University Health Systems is service. We changed the philosophy of how to deliver health care service to the community," Jimenez says.

Those ideals imparted by his father of giving back to the community and helping those who need assistance the most are what continue to drive Jimenez. ■

"(Brother Totten) instilled in me a love of learning, the love of knowledge for knowledge's sake."

outstanding service in pioneering comprehensive mental health services for county citizens, he was awarded the 2006 Marian Health Care Award by St. Mary's University School of Science, Engineering and Technology.

One of 13 siblings growing up on the city's West Side, Jimenez attended Jefferson High School, then a college preparatory school, where he was one of 12 Hispanics. It was there he

Bell Tower Celebrates Barrett Family's Love, Marianist History

When St. Mary's University Trustee Charles Barrett Jr. (B.B.A. '62) envisioned a bell tower on campus, he pictured more than just a 100-foot tall ornate symbol of excellence. He heard "The Bells of St. Mary's" chiming in the memory of his mother.

Before her death, she and her son watched the film of the same name, and Barrett was well aware of what the movie meant to her. To honor his mother's memory and the memory of other family members who are gone, Barrett and his wife, Melissa, decided to make a special gift to St. Mary's—the Barrett Memorial Bell Tower.

Barrett shared this story with well-wishers at the groundbreaking ceremony of the bell tower on Feb. 3 when University dignitaries recognized Barrett's vision and leadership on the project and the generosity of other donors.

Representing the tower's height, 100-foot tall balloons hovered over the ceremonial stage on Chaminade Field where vibrant multicolored flags majestically swayed to and fro, proclaiming the splendor of the distinctive event.

With shovels in hand—and led by St. Mary's President Charles L. Cotrell and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barrett—officials gently dug up scoops of soil to ready the site where construction crews now are erecting the \$1 million structure. Situated toward the north end of Chaminade Field, the tower will integrate newer facilities with architectural and historical elements of St. Mary's early structures and serve as a beacon of pride in northwest San

Antonio. It also will complement the University's recent revitalization and beautification efforts.

The traditional dig, which prepared a new geographic heart of campus, was celebrated by some 500 students, alumni, faculty and staff, and University friends. The upbeat ceremony was punctuated by selections performed by the energetic and talented St. Mary's Jazz Orchestra.

The construction site

will be transformed into a gathering area that reinforces the University's emphasis on community. The Barrett Memorial Bell Tower and surrounding plaza will connect pedestrian traffic from the Quadrangle to the north, the Gateway to Historic St. Mary's entrance to the east, the University Center to the west and residence halls to the south.

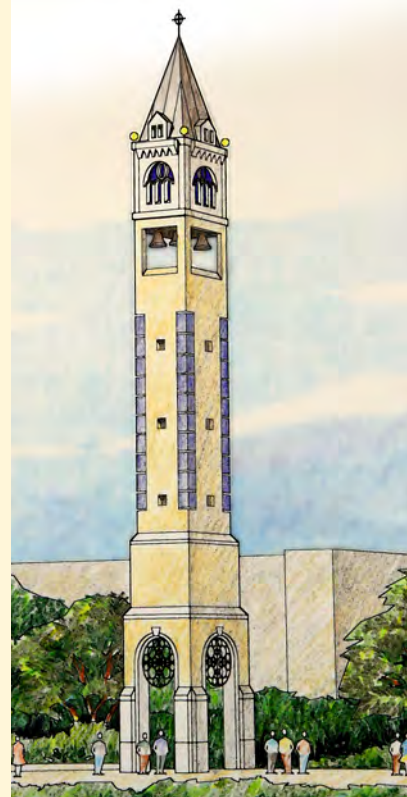
The Barrett family believes the tower will provide inspiration to the University community. As a spiritual center of campus, it will allow for gathering in faith formation and serve as a venue for community building.

Each day, at the time when Jesus was at Calvary, bells ring and professed and lay Marianists around the world pause for the Three O'Clock Prayer: "Lord Jesus, we gather in spirit at the foot of the cross with your mother and the disciple whom you loved."

By early next spring, the Barrett Memorial Bell Tower will soar above all other buildings on campus and "The Bells of St. Mary's" will be heard daily, honoring St. Mary's rich Marianist history. ■



Charles T. Barrett Jr.



Architect's rendering of Barrett Memorial Bell Tower.



The University community gathers at the groundbreaking ceremony.



Charles and Melissa Barrett (center) lead the ceremonial dig.



Peace Corps Experience Propels Alumna to Personal Fulfillment

Jennifer Kohnke

After challenging years of studies at St. Mary's University, Jennifer Kohnke (B.A. '01) felt what recent graduates sometimes feel after commencement.

"After I graduated from college, I knew I wanted to do something meaningful and personally fulfilling with my life, but I wasn't sure what that was," she says.

Little did Kohnke know that her drive for personal fulfillment would lead her to Cameroon, Africa, where she has served for the past two years as a member of the Peace Corps.

After receiving a bachelor's degree in criminal justice, Kohnke waited a year and a half before applying to the Peace Corps.

"I've always liked traveling, meeting new people, learning new languages and other cultures, so it seemed like a good fit," she says.

For most of her service, Kohnke resided in the village of Ngaoundal where she learned about the harsh realities of living in a developing country.

"No matter how badly some people in our country may live in poverty and hardship, these same individuals would be considered upper-middle class in a developing country. That was a real eye-opener."

When it came to adjusting to village life, Kohnke had to learn some basic skills herself like pulling her own water from a well, starting and cooking on an open fire, eating unusual things such as bush rat, porcupine, and termites, as well as learning fluent French.

Kohnke says there are dozens of reasons why she will miss her experience in Cameroon. "(I'll remember) the generous hospitality of the native people (feeding you a lot when they themselves have almost nothing), eating simply, not spending much, viewing Mt. Ngaoundal the moment I'd step out my front door, and the emphasis placed on relationships and spending time together with friends and family—something that's missing in the United States."

Kohnke also expresses the impact of St. Mary's in her life.

"I believe (St. Mary's) has helped me to better understand my Catholic faith, and impressed upon me the importance to live what we believe and the faith that we profess, not just talk about it."

With this in mind, Kohnke plans to pursue a career in the field of international development.

— *Marybell Martinez,*
B.A. '06



Alumnus Organizes Leaders in Paraguay

Leonard Noel

When Leonard Noel first arrived in Asunción, Paraguay, he had no idea how much his experience working with poor communities would impact his life.

As a Peace Corps volunteer, Noel endured intensive cultural language and technical training before landing in San Juan Bautista, Misiones, where he works to strengthen the relationship between the municipality and its citizens.

“I enjoy going to bed knowing that I helped make a positive difference in a community that could use a hand,” says Noel, who graduated in spring 2004 with a master’s degree in international relations.

The Mexico City native works mainly as a facilitator and mediator with neighborhood commissions and organized groups within communities. The self-organized citizens must gain the recognition of the municipality before working on community projects such as public lighting or street-stoning projects.

Noel also helped organize a leadership workshop for Paraguayan Women’s Day. Four of San Juan’s most influential female leaders discussed the need for women’s community participation with an audience of more than 200 women.

Noel realized the intensity of his experience after countrywoman BuenaAventura Meza’s testimony exposed the harsh reality of the daily fight for a better life in her humble *barrio* of Paso Naranja.

“I was really proud that this woman, who has fought for so long to do what is right, had the opportunity to sit on a panel and discuss leadership issues.”

For Noel, one of the best things about his service in San Juan Bautista is seeing the faces of Paraguayans after they have successfully accomplished a project or goal he helped them develop. His role as consultant to the citizens is important because it gives them leadership opportunities to run their own projects and work with their own ideas.

Noel credits his St. Mary’s education and his service in the Peace Corps for his success as a development agent, adding that his master’s work has had an incalculable effect on his outlook on the world. “Now I combine the knowledge I gained at St. Mary’s and the practical, hands-on experience I am gaining with the Peace Corps to become the best development agent possible.”

Noel hopes to continue working in the same field after completing his Peace Corps service. He strongly feels he was destined to be involved in development.

“I know the lessons I will learn while serving in Paraguay will help me be a better person at the end of the day.”

—Selena San Miguel,
St. Mary’s sophomore



Alumnus Lives ‘The Life’

Charlie Griffin

From the beginning, Charlie Griffin (M.A. '96) has lived the military life, having been born in Germany to American parents. As a toddler Griffin made his first of what now number eight trips across the Atlantic Ocean.

Making the journey half way around the world three times before he eventually chose military service as a career, Griffin never doubted his aspirations to enlist in the Army.

“The whole experience of travel, the tightly knit community and personal challenge—all were strong draws for me,” he says.

Griffin signed up after earning an undergraduate degree from the University of Tennessee in 1982.

“After a few months of training, I was sent again to Germany,” he says. “It was really at the height of the Cold War, and we were always ready to go to war. Thankfully that never occurred.”

Griffin explored much of Europe between the obligations he had to his post. He sometimes passed through Russian checkpoints along the Berlin

Wall before its fall in 1989.

At the resolution of the Cold War, Griffin returned to the states, left Army active duty and became an ROTC instructor at his alma mater. After finishing his second bachelor’s degree at Tennessee, Griffin and his family moved to Fort Hood near Killeen, where he enrolled in the St. Mary’s international relations graduate program in 1994. For many years the University has offered graduate courses at that Central Texas Army base.

Crossing the Atlantic had become an ordinary fact of life by the time Griffin was reactivated in 1996. Shortly thereafter, he served as the secretary of the general staff for Task Force Falcon in Kosovo, and remembers it as a difficult assignment.

“That was a very demanding tour with little time to take in the surrounding environment,” he recalls.

Griffin’s extensive travel and exposure to military operations led him to seek employment in the intelligence community and the foreign policy area. He was hired by the U.S. Department of Defense where he uses his formidable skills as an analyst.

His eagerness and passion for “the life” endures, and he supports U.S. military operations wherever his services are needed. Most recently Griffin spent more than a year training and working a local assignment until he was deployed to Iraq as an analyst supporting Coalition Forces at Balad. That is where he continues to serve his country today.

—Patrick T. Galvin, *St. Mary’s junior*



Senior on International Trek to Empower Women

Kiran Bains

Venturing across the globe to attend a semester abroad in London was only the tip of the iceberg for St. Mary's May graduate Kiran Bains. In the midst of completing her undergraduate coursework, conducting research at the University of Notre Dame as a McNair Scholar, serving as campus coordinator for Americans for Informed Democracy, volunteering as a tutor at a local high school and receiving the Alice Wright Franzke Feminist Award, she found the time to dedicate herself to others during two consecutive service immersions to Mexico.

Her quest for social equality and women's rights was heightened with the experience she gained south of the border.

"After impressionable observations in rural Mexico, I sought women's empowerment via non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and established a three-month internship with the Institute of Integrated Rural Development in Bangladesh," Bains says.

During her internship, she interviewed rural women who have been successfully empowered and are generating better futures for their daughters by resisting early marriages, dismissing the dowry tradition and continuing their education. Bains hopes to raise awareness of social inequalities abroad, as well as in her own backyard. She is actively involved with the University's Service Learning Center and 21st Century Leadership Center where she has learned how to utilize her talents to enrich the community.

The support and guidance she receives from St. Mary's have solidified her desire to intensely explore international development. Bains acknowledges the influence of the University.

"Above all, my professors at St. Mary's reflect Catholic social teaching and engage in a strong mentorship with me outside of the classroom," she says. One professor in particular is Larry Hufford, Ph.D., whom Bains credits for sparking her interest in women's international human rights.

Bains currently is compiling her interviews with rural women in Bangladesh to provide recommendations for their economic and social empowerment.

Completion of a master's program in international development is included in her plans. She also has applied for a 10-month service fellowship in India.

Whatever path she takes, she looks forward to "gaining significant field experience and ultimately completing a doctorate in international affairs, all the while embodying and promoting the Marianist spirit."

—*Analisa Farias, St. Mary's junior*

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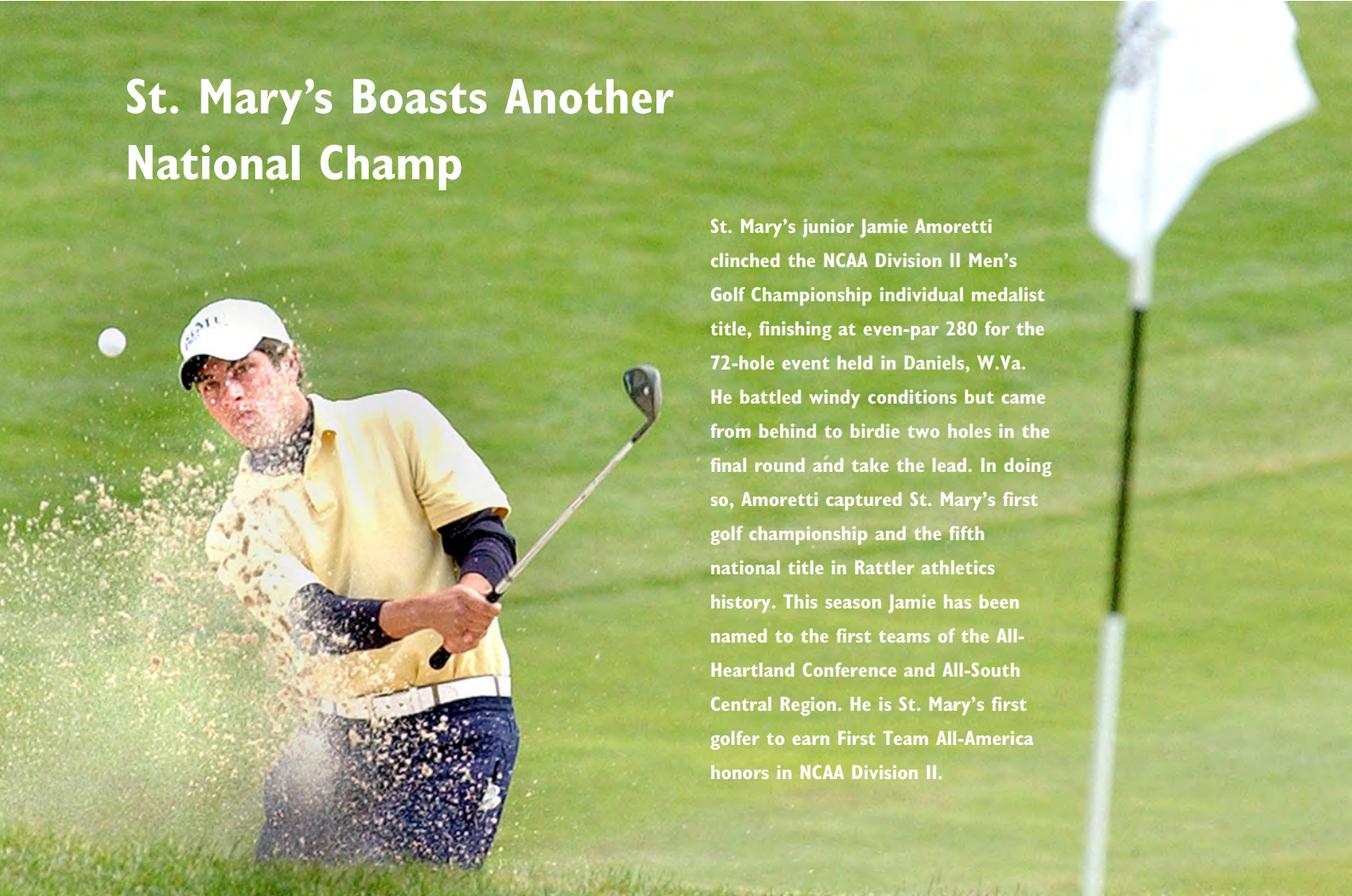


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St. Mary's Boasts Another National Champ



St. Mary's junior Jamie Amoretti clinched the NCAA Division II Men's Golf Championship individual medalist title, finishing at even-par 280 for the 72-hole event held in Daniels, W.Va. He battled windy conditions but came from behind to birdie two holes in the final round and take the lead. In doing so, Amoretti captured St. Mary's first golf championship and the fifth national title in Rattler athletics history. This season Jamie has been named to the first teams of the All-Heartland Conference and All-South Central Region. He is St. Mary's first golfer to earn First Team All-America honors in NCAA Division II.