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A newsletter for the faculty and staff of the College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University

CSB/SJU Welcomed University Presidents from China

The CSB/SJU Asian studies program continues to make strides. Last May, CSB/SJU welcomed the University of Southwest China President Song Naiqing and a delegation from Zhanjiang Normal University (ZNU), including President Guo and Director Deng. More recently, CSB/SJU was singled out for its emphasis on Asian studies by a prominent U.S. business leader active in China.

President Song visited the campuses to celebrate the institutional bridges which have been built between the University of Southwest China and CSB/SJU during the past two decades. The University of Southwest China is the official study abroad site in China.



CSB President Mary Ann Baerninger (r.) offers a toast to Zhanjiang Normal University President Guo (l.) and Director Deng.



(L to R) Mr. Zhang, a Foreign Affairs Office official and translator, SJU President Br. Dietrich Reinhart and President Song Naiqing of the University of Southwest China celebrate the 20th anniversary of our study abroad partnership.

The relationship began in the fall of 1985 and has existed longer than most U.S. – China academic exchanges. The 20th anniversary of this exchange program will be celebrated in Beibei in late-October/early-November.

Institutional bridges also continue to span exchange opportunities between CSB/SJU and ZNU. For the past two years, ZNU has hosted CSB/SJU students on a May term program, offering them an up-close look at China's rise as a new economic power.

In addition, since 1998, ZNU has hosted CSB/SJU graduates as Maryknoll teachers, and several professors from both institutions have acted as visiting scholars to the other's community. In 2004, Richard Bohr, professor of history and director of the Asian studies program at CSB/SJU, was named an honorary professor of ZNU.

Bohr commented on the impact of these relationships as CSB/SJU prepares students for global citizenship. "Our two-decade history of sending students to the University of Southwest China and our more recent involvement with Zhanjiang Normal College help us educate our students linguistically, academically and culturally. Also, because of the geographic location of each campus — the University of Southwest China, near Chongqing, is the global gateway to central China and the rapidly-industrializing Yangzi River Valley, and Zhanjiang Normal University is the connecting link between China and Southeast Asia through South China's industrialized Pearl River Delta — our students and faculty are able to observe first-hand how China's economic development depends on its trading and investment relationships with the international economy. In this way, we are able to prepare our graduates to be-

come "China Hands" in the "Asian Century" and thereby build bridges across the Pacific and keep the United States competitive in the world economy, which is now centered in Asia."

In an interview on Aug. 15 on Minnesota Public Radio's Midmorning, Daniel H. Rosen, founder of China Strategic Advisory, stressed the importance of study abroad in China, Asian studies curricula and Asia-related internships help-

ing students become competitive in today's global business environment. The author of five well-received books on doing business in China, Rosen cited the importance of CSB/SJU's study abroad program in Beibei in giving its students needed linguistic and cultural expertise. In particular, Rosen mentioned Beijing-based Carol Rueckert, CSB '99, as doing impressive English-language training of up-and-coming Chinese business leaders.

S. Nancy Bauer, OSB, Installed as 15th Prioress

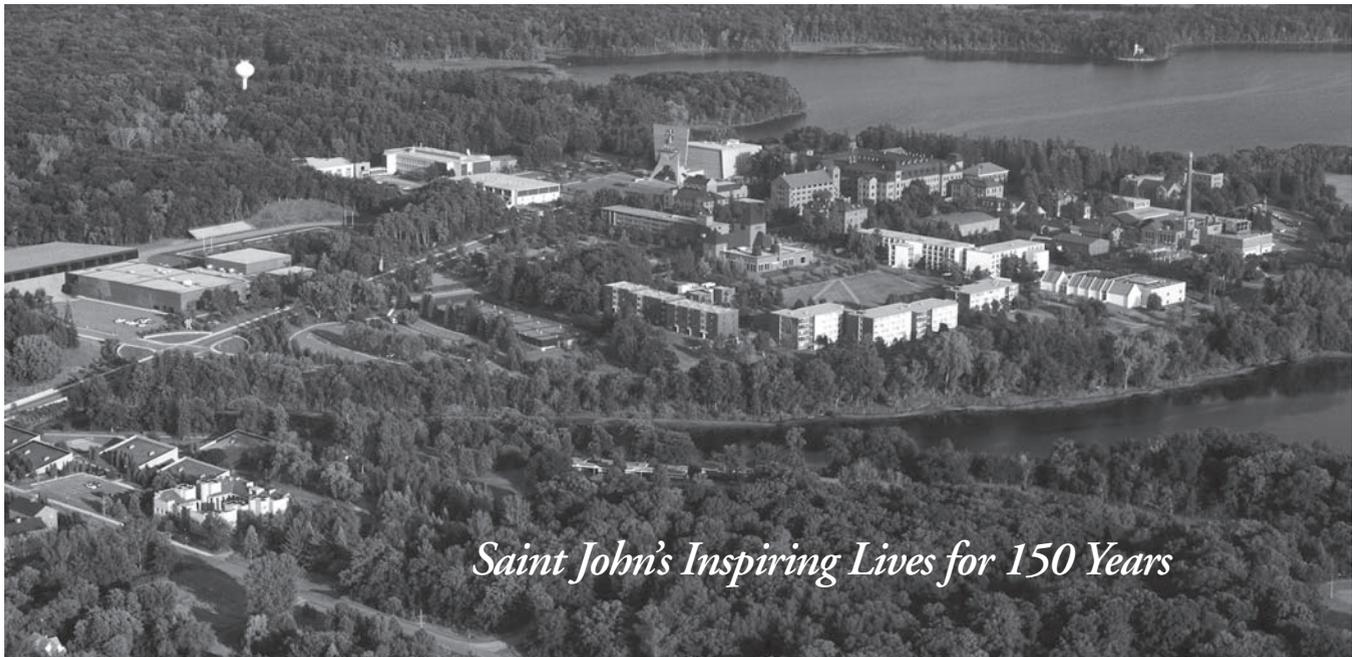
Prepared by Katie Perry, monastery publicist

The Sisters of the Order of Saint Benedict installed their prioress, S. Nancy Bauer, during a morning rite on June 12. The Benedictine monastic community elected Bauer as their 15th prioress on Feb. 27. The installation officially marks the beginning of her six-year term. S. Nancy succeeds S. Ephrem Hollermann, who has served two terms as prioress (one six-year term and one four-year term) of Saint Benedict's Monastery since 1995.

S. Nancy's family and Federation of Saint Benedict members were in attendance for the morning rite. Friends, benefactors, oblates of Saint Benedict, and the greater community gathered for a festive Eucharist, where Bishop John F. Kinney presided and bestowed a special blessing on S. Nancy.

The installation of abbess (or prioress) is an ancient, official rite of the Church. It completes the Sisters' nine-month discernment process of leadership and transfer of authority within the monastic community. During the installation, the new prioress accepts the responsibility of leadership and the Sisters pledge their support to her. The vice-president of the Federation of Saint Benedict, S. Audrey Cleary, of Rock Island, Ill., presided at the installation.

According to the *Rule of Benedict*, S. Nancy, as well as the previous prioresses, "is believed to hold the place of Christ in the monastery." She attends to the overall leadership of the monastery as the Sisters live out their mission — to listen and respond to the needs of the Church and the world through their ministry of prayer, work and community living.



Saint John's Inspiring Lives for 150 Years

Musical performances, educational symposia and special liturgies will highlight events planned to celebrate the Saint John's Sesquicentennial, which kicks off in April 2006 and will extend over a year and a half, until November 2007, marking the 150th anniversary of the first class taught at SJU. A Sesquicentennial steering committee, co-chaired by William Skudlarek, OSB and Patti Epsky, executive assistant to the president of SJU, includes members from all areas of the Saint John's community and Saint Benedict's Monastery.

The focus of the Sesquicentennial is the celebration and advancement of the ministry of Saint John's in the life of the church, the community and in the lives of those who share its hospitality. During the Sesquicentennial, the rich history and diverse endeavors of Saint John's will be celebrated, from its commitment to ecumenism and its groundbreaking educational cooperation with CSB, to its architecture, the Preparatory School, the Liturgical Press, and the first handwritten Bible in 500 years.

Events also are planned to express gratitude to all of Saint John's alumnae/i, employees, friends, monks, parents, students and neighbors. Volunteers are needed to help ensure the success of the many activities. The following schedule of events includes contact names for interested volunteers.

COME CELEBRATE WITH US!

Opening Day

Wednesday, April 5, 2006

Commemorates the departure on April 5, 1856, of five Benedictine monks from Saint Vincent's Monastery in Pennsylvania for Minnesota.

Events include: the presentation of the Sesquicentennial book and an evening Eucharist with the Archabbot of Saint Vincent's.

Contacts: Patti Weishaar and Doris Matter

TWIN CITIES DAY

Saturday, May 6, 2006

Celebrates the arrival of the Benedictine monks in St. Paul on May 2,

1856. All events on this day will be held in the Twin Cities.

Events include: liturgy at the Church of the Assumption in St. Paul and a concert featuring an opera commissioned by the Saint John's Boys' Choir.

Contacts: Paul Richards, OSB and Glen Tautges

ST. CLOUD DAY

Saturday May 20, 2006

Celebrates the arrival of the five Benedictine monks in St. Cloud on May 20, 1856. All events on this day will be held in St. Cloud.

Events include: the opening of the "Benedictines in Central Minnesota" exhibit at the Stearns History Museum, dedication of the historical marker on the banks of the Mississippi and an afternoon mass led by Bishop John Kinney at the Cathedral of Saint Mary.

Contacts: Anna Thompson and Mathew Luft, OSB

WELCOMING OUR NEIGHBORS

Saturday, June 24, 2006

Celebrates the discovery of Indianbush as the location for Saint John's and the Benedictine commitment to community.

Events include: morning mass with the Archabbot of Metten; a summer festival with food, exhibits, tours and entertainment; and the launch of the Sesquicentennial Rose.

Contacts: Patsy Murphy, Tim Backous, OSB, and Lee Hanley

MUSICAL DAY

Homecoming Weekend

Friday, Sept. 29, 2006

A day to celebrate the Sesquicentennial musically.

Events include: a program of music performed by vocalists and instrumentalists from the University, the Prep School and the local area.

Contacts: Bob Koopman

SPIRITUALITY/HISTORY DAY

October 2006

Provides an opportunity to explore the spiritualities that have shaped Saint John's, as well as the spiritualities of other religious traditions.

Events include: keynotes by the Abbot and Prioress, workshops and presentations, and ample time for silent reflection and prayer.

Contacts: to be determined

ACADEMIC DAY

March 2007

Celebrates the 150-year tradition of outstanding education at Saint John's.

Events include: a full day of seminars, lectures, performances, exhibits and presentations of student research.

Contacts: to be determined

COMMUNITY DAYS

June 2007

A three-day conference that focuses on the art of living together and explores past and current practices of building communities.

Events include: lectures, panels, small group conversations and individual personal explorations that probe the wisdom of the participants.

Contacts: Terri Barriero and Patrick Henry

CREATIVITY DAYS

Homecoming Weekend, Oct. 5-7, 2007

Will bring people together from all parts of Saint John's and Saint Benedict to experience and celebrate the creative spirit of the campuses.

Events include: demonstrations of the creative work of past and present members of the two communities.

Contacts: Glen Tautges

CLOSING DAY

Saturday, Nov. 10, 2007

Concludes the observance of the Sesquicentennial and celebrates the anniversary of the first day of class at SJU on Nov. 10, 1857. The themes of gratitude and service to others will be woven into the day's activities.

Specific activities are yet to be determined.

Contacts: Patty Weishaar and Doris Matter

Other possible events include a dedication of the Guest House in late summer/early fall 2006; a joint event of the monastic communities of Saint John's Abbey and Saint Benedict's Monastery; and the first public reading of the Saint John's Bible.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Fr. William, Epsky, or any of the contacts listed.

SJU Among Nation's High-Achieving Liberal Arts Colleges

Prepared by Communication and Marketing Services

SJU was one of 13 of the nation's best-performing liberal arts colleges listed in a recent study commissioned by The Teagle Foundation.

The study singled out colleges that achieve exceptional results in educating students. The study evaluated the educational performance of the nation's top 105 liberal arts colleges by looking at the graduation rates and percentage of students that advance to earn doctoral degrees, and then referencing those numbers to the financial assets of each college. The report indicated that SJU is achieving exceptional results, particularly given the financial resources it has.

Along with SJU, the other schools listed were (in alphabetical order): Augustana College, Rock Island, Ill.; Austin College, Sherman, Texas; Barnard College, New York, N.Y.; Bates College, Lewiston, Maine; Bennington College, Bennington, Vt.; Furman University, Greenville, S.C.; Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pa.; Knox College, Galesburg, Ill.; Luther College, Decorah, Iowa; St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn.; Thomas Aquinas College, Santa Paula, Calif. and Wolford College, Spartansburg, S.C.

The list was part of a Teagle Foundation-published article by Bob Connor titled "A Report on a Study by Roger Kaufman and Geoffrey Woglom on Graduation Rates and Ph.D. Production in Liberal Arts Colleges."

SJU Senior Named 2005 Minnesota Collegiate Entrepreneur

Submitted by Terri Barreiro, director of the McNeely Entrepreneur Center

SJU senior Nate Armstrong is the 2005 Minnesota Collegiate Entrepreneur. Nate was assisted by the McNeely Center throughout the year. He used advice from volunteer lawyers, bankers and general managers to help him build his business skills and face various business challenges.

Nate graduated from SJU in May 2005 and began a new management trainee position with Target.com. He joined our Advisory Board in July to bring a student business owner perspective.

Rogers Named Coordinator of Asian Studies at CSB/SJU

Joseph P. Rogers has been appointed coordinator of Asian studies at CSB/SJU. Provost Henry Smorynski announced the appointment to the new position, which was effective Aug. 1. Prior to his appointment, Rogers worked as an attorney and partner in the Murray, Bennett, Cameron Johnson & Rogers law firm in Wayzata, Minn.

Rogers received his law degree, *cum laude*, from the University of Minnesota Law School, and a master's in East Asian studies also from the University of Minnesota. His bachelor's degree, *magna cum laude*, is in history from SJU. Rogers studied the Chinese language at Nankai University in Tianjin, China, and Tunghai University in Taichung, Taiwan.

During graduate school, Rogers served as an undergraduate advisor in the department of East Asian studies and administered the Minnesota-Nankai Summer Intensive Chinese Language Institute. He also taught English in Taichung, Taiwan.

"Rogers has committed his life to Asian matters," Smorynski said. "He is recognized as a scholar and someone immensely interested in further developing the interdisciplinary Asian studies program at these two institutions. Professor Richard Bohr, who has directed the program for the past 10 years, will continue in that role. Rogers will help us focus our activities on implementing the program's strategic plan and insuring that our commitment to global studies, multiculturalism and experiential learning proceeds apace."

"The exemplary leadership that Professor Bohr has provided Saint John's and Saint Benedict over these many years will carry on. I look forward to joining him and the dozen Asian studies faculty who teach courses in the field," Rogers said.

The Asian studies program and Asian studies minor were established in 1995. The program also offers an individualized Asian studies major. Hundreds of CSB/SJU students have taken courses in the field, and today the two schools have more than 80 recent graduates who have taught in China, Korea and Japan.

More than 40 Asian studies graduates are now engaged as professional "Asia Hands" in such fields as diplomacy, business, academe, law and non-profit work.

Three SJU Students Receive Fellowships

Submitted by Jeff Anderson, associate professor of peace studies

Three SJU students were recently named recipients of Upper Midwest Human Rights Fellowships.

Brian Heilman '05 will be traveling to Calcutta, India, this fall to complete his fellowship at the Loreto Day School in Sealdah. The school currently houses 200 formerly street-dwelling children who participate in the "Rainbow Program."

Brian's duties will include caring for, teaching and tutoring the Rainbow students, as well as traveling to rural locations around Calcutta to conduct lessons for children out of the reach of an organized school system. Brian's previous volunteering efforts have taken him to the Community for Creative Nonviolence in Washington D.C., St. Ann's Mission in Navajo Nation, Ariz., and a variety of human rights NGOs throughout Northern India (including the SAHRDC, Caritas India, SANLAAP and others).

After studying Arabic for the summer at Middlebury College, Jeffrey Morency '05 will travel to Israel and the occupied Palestinian territories to work with the Palestine Human Rights Monitoring Group (PHRMG). Based in East Jerusalem, PHRMG is a non-profit, non-governmental organization dedicated to documenting and reporting human rights violations against Palestinians, regardless of who is responsible. As part of his academic career, Jeff completed extensive research on the Oslo Peace Process and the Palestinian Authority. He will examine relationships between Palestinians and government institutions, and human rights concerns that result.

This summer, John Van Rooy '06 worked with the Comisión Intereclesial de Justicia y Paz (Intereclesial Commission of Justice and Peace), a non-profit in Bogotá, Colombia, which works with peasant communities who have been the object of forced displacement. As an intern with CIJP, John had the opportunity to participate in the organizational process of the communities, help set up education workshops, and formulate reports about the communities to present to international organizations. His fellowship took place from June 6 to Aug. 15.

Science and Religion Lecture Series Receives \$10,000 Grant

Submitted by Noreen Herzfeld,
professor of computer science

The Science and Religion Lecture Series has been awarded another \$10,000 grant from the Metanexus Institute for their science and religion program. The goal of the science and religion program is to raise the level of awareness of issues in science and religion at CSB/SJU and among the community at large in central Minnesota. Each year, the series focuses on a particular topic at the intersection of science and religion, examining that topic from the perspective of a theologian and of a scientist.

The Science and Religion Lecture Series was one of only three groups in North America to receive such an award. The group was cited at Metanexus' national conference for excellence in programming, particularly for the diversity of disciplines represented in the group and their willingness to focus on challenging texts. The lecture series' collaboration with TPT in bringing the science and religion dialogue to the wider public in Minnesota was also a factor in their winning this grant.

The Series has two exciting speakers lined up for next year on the topic of religion and consciousness: Merlin Donald, professor of psychology at Queens University, Ontario and author of *A Mind So Rare*, and Andrew Newburg, professor of neuropsychology at University of Pennsylvania, and author of *The Mystical Mind*.

Donald will speak on The Evolution of Human Consciousness at 7:30 p.m., Monday, Oct. 3 in Quad 264, SJU. Newburg's address will be announced at a later time.

2005 VP for Student Development Leadership Award Recipients Announced

Bethany Heinzen '05 and Mary Beth Hart '05 were honored with the Vice President for Student Development Leadership Awards at a ceremony last spring. This award is the highest recognition given to student leaders. Students are nominated by staff for their positive impact on creating a vibrant campus life and for their exemplary leadership qualities.

Both women embody the Saint Benedict woman of strength and beauty woven in determination, said Mary Geller, CSB vice president for student development. Besides serving as president of the CSB Senate, Bethany also conceived of the idea to open a Center for Women at CSB. Mary Beth has served as co-chair of the Joint Events Council.



Lang Named CSB Vice President for Institutional Advancement

Prepared by Communication
and Marketing Services

Stuart G. Lang has been named vice president for institutional advancement at CSB. Lang started his new position on July 1 and succeeded Colman O'Connell, OSB, who has served as vice president since 2001 and will remain in service as major gifts officer.

Lang most recently served as vice presi-

dent for university advancement at Lewis University in Romeoville, Ill., near Chicago, and as executive director of the campaign for Lewis University. Prior to joining Lewis, where he prepared the University for a \$30-million comprehensive campaign, Lang served for 15 years at St. Norbert College in De Pere, Wis., creating their first endowment campaign and supervising public relations, publications and advancement services in addition to development. At St. Norbert, Lang headed a \$32-million campaign and was also founding director of the International Center.

Lang has many years of experience in leading all aspects of institutional advancement, including raising funds for programs, buildings, technology, endowment and annual fund. He has proven skills in developing and leading staff and creating an effective infrastructure for fund raising and program development.

Lang graduated with honors from SJU, with a degree in history. He received a master's degree and completed all of his coursework for a doctorate in U.S. history from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

SJU Football Game Programs Receive National Award

The 2004 SJU football game programs were recently honored as "Best in the Nation" in all of NCAA Division III by the College Sports Information Directors of America as part of the organization's annual publication contest.

This is the second straight season SJU's football game programs have been voted "Best in the Nation." SJU has now won four publication awards in football since 2002 and SJU's 2003-04 basketball game program was voted "Fourth in the Nation."

SJU's football game programs, as well as all other athletic programs, are pro-

duced by Tom Stock, John Biasi and Michael Hemmesch in the sports marketing and sports information offices at SJU.

Hogan/Albach joins Liturgical Press as New Editorial Director

Submitted by Michelle Verkuilen,
Liturgical Press marketing manager

Peter Dwyer, director of Liturgical Press, is pleased to announce that **Susan Hogan/Albach** is its new editorial director.

In joining Liturgical Press, Hogan/Albach brings more than 16 years of experience as a newspaper religion reporter. She has won many honors as a journalist including an American Academy of Religion Award in 2003 for "Best in-depth religion coverage."

Her previous positions include senior religion writer for the *Dallas Morning News* and reporter for the *Minneapolis Star Tribune*. Hogan/Albach has a master's degree in systematic theology from SJU, and a master's in religious studies from the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago.

"Susan brings to Liturgical Press the curiosity and writing ability of a good journalist," Dwyer said. "And she is a thoughtful and wide-ranging observer of religion and spirituality."

Tennison, Ice and Rodell Receive Outstanding Faculty Awards at CSB/SJU

Faculty and staff members from CSB/SJU were honored at the Academic Affairs Awards Ceremony on May 2. In addition to recognition for years of service, promotions, contributions as department chairs and leaders, the following awards were presented.

Dale White Scholarship

Emily Jacobson is the first recipient of the Dale A. White Endowed Brass Scholarship. White is CSB/SJU professor of music and director of the brass/wind ensemble. The scholarship was funded by his family, friends and former students. Emily is a music major from Rosemount, Minn., who plans to teach music in the public school system.



CSB S. Mary Grell Teacher of Distinction Award – Linda Tennison, associate professor of psychology

S. Mary Grell, a noted biologist, served students at CSB/SJU for more than 35 years with intelligence, skill, dedication and genuine affection for them. The difference S. Mary made in her lifetime of teaching at Saint Benedict is celebrated through the recognition each year of a faculty member who represents the best of teaching and learning at CSB/SJU.

Tennison's scholarship and professional work is impressive, and several of her publications and presentations include undergraduate collaborators. This promotion and mentoring of students in their own research has been an integral part of her interaction with students since her arrival at CSB/SJU. Her teaching goal is to promote a collegial, active and integrated environment for learning that she finds keeps her learning alongside her students and fellow faculty.

SJU Robert L. Spaeth Teacher of Distinction Award – Richard Ice, associate professor of communication

This award is named in honor of Spaeth, who died in 1994. He served as dean at SJU for nine years, in addition to offering lengthy terms of service as professor of liberal studies and director of first-year symposium. Each year, Spaeth's commitment to excellent teaching is remembered by honoring a faculty who brings a special passion and mastery to the classroom and the learning community.

Ice is an active scholar in communication, with numerous publications, professional papers and presentations to his credit. His challenge to students to engage with the subject and with each other is echoed in other students' descriptions of his teaching. His immersion and enthusiasm in the CSB/SJU International Study Program — particularly in the China program — has provided an op-

portunity for a special relationship between him and his students.

Linda Mealey Teacher-Scholar Award – Charles Rodell, professor of biology

The CSB/SJU Linda Mealey Teacher-Scholar Award is given annually to a faculty member who exemplifies demonstrated excellence in scholarship as well as teaching, conducts student/faculty collaborative research or creative work and excels in the mentoring of students. In recognition of the late Linda Mealey's contributions to the CSB/SJU community, this award is now named in honor of Mealey, who received the award three years ago.

Rodell has been a fine teacher at CSB/SJU and actively engaged in research in genetics for more than 25 years. His students are engaged in the classroom through his enthusiasm, knowledge and preparation in the subject, and seek him out for future classes and as an advisor. Throughout his career, he has had publications in high quality peer-reviewed journals, and has an impressive list of papers delivered at scientific meetings, including 10 separate presentations for the Society for the Study of Evolution.

Since 2000, he has directed 16 undergraduate students doing biology research projects; this is in addition to several students he has co-mentored in collaboration with faculty in the mathematics department in mathematics/biology research. He also mentors students in research by serving as the biology department seminar coordinator over the past five years. In this role, he uses his networking with other scientists to provide opportunities for CSB/SJU students to hear scientists discuss their research experiences.

Additional awards were distributed as follows:

Advising awards: Jason Kelly, cross divisional, academic advising; Kaarin Johnston, fine arts, professor of theater; Jeanmarie Cook, humanities, associate professor of communication; Anna McKenna, natural science, associate professor of chemistry; Kay Wolsborn, social science, professor of political science.

Tenure and promotion to associate professor: Brian Campbell, music; Bruce Campbell, modern and classical languages; Martin Connell, theology; Louis Johnston, economics; David Mitchell, biology; Ronald Pagnucco, peace studies; Corey Shouse Tourino, modern and classical languages.

Tenure: Arthur Spring, associate professor of education; Linda Tennison, associate professor of psychology.

Promotion to professor: J. Scott Johnson, political science; Camilla Krone, modern and classical languages; Vincent Smiles, theology; Elizabeth Wurdak, biology.

Appointment of Regents professor of poetry: Eva Hooker, CSC

Appointment of professor emerita: Telan Hu, OSB, Chinese; Dennis Frandrup, OSB, art.

Appointment of professor emeritus: the late Melchior Freund, OSB, astronomy and mathematics; Thorpe Running, Regents professor of Spanish; Luke Steiner, OSB, theology; Wilfred Theisen, OSB; physics; Robert Weber, political science.

Outgoing department chairs: Andrea Shaker, professor of art; Jane Kathman, professor of management; Amy Olson, professor of nutrition; Jim O'Meara, professor of accounting.

Service as acting department chair: Mara Faulkner, OSB, associate professor of English; Ronald Henry, professor of biology; Sheila Nelson, associate professor of sociology; Kay Wolsborn, professor of political science.

Service as joint faculty assembly chair: Phil Kronebusch, associate professor of political science.

10 years of service: Dennis Beach, OSB, associate professor of philosophy; Cynthia Curran, associate professor of history; Christopher Freeman, associate professor of English; Michael Patella, OSB, associate professor of theology; James Schnepf, associate professor of computer science; Andrea Shaker, professor of art; Gladys White, associate professor of modern and classical languages.

15 years of service: Joseph Des Jardins, professor of philosophy; David Hartz, associate professor of mathematics; Ellen Jensen, assistant professor of biology; Jeanne Lust, OSB, associate professor of biology; Cynthia Malone, professor of English; Lynn Moore, professor of education; Mary Reuter, OSB, associate professor of theology; Lynn Ziegler, associate professor of computer science.

20 years of service: Virginia Arthur, associate professor of management; Philip Byrne, professor of mathematics; Eugene Garver, Regents professor of philosophy; Kaarin Johnston, professor of theater; Michael Livingston, associate professor of psychology; John Olson, associate professor of economics; Gregory Walker, professor of music; Diane Veale-Jones, professor of nutrition.

25 years of service: Annette Atkins, professor of history; Ernest Diedrich, professor of economics; David Huber,

assistant professor of chemistry; **Jane Kathman**, professor of management; **Michael Ross**, associate professor of chemistry.

30 years of service: **Richard Albares**, associate professor of sociology; **Bruce Dickau**, associate professor of education; **Nathaniel Dubin**, professor of modern and classical languages; **Paul Pladson**, professor of accounting; **Carleen Schomer, OSB**, associate professor of chemistry.

35 years of service: **Martin Andrews**, associate professor of psychology; **Telan Hu, OSB**, professor emerita of Chinese;

40 years of service: **Donald Hoodecheck**, associate professor of education.

45 years of service: **Wilfred Theisen, OSB**, professor emeritus of physics.

45+ years of service: **JP Earls, OSB**, associate professor of English; **Luke Steiner, OSB**, professor emeritus of theology; **Hilary Thimmesh, OSB**, professor of English.

Faculty/Staff News

Academic Affairs announces that **Dave Bennetts**, professor of history, will serve as humanities division head for a one-year term for 2005-2006. He was enthusiastically nominated by his colleagues in the humanities division, and has agreed to serve in this important leadership position.

Anna Thompson, executive director of fine arts programming, co-led a spirited discussion regarding the state of dance in Minnesota at the Rochester Civic Music/Riverside Concerts hosted by the Minne-

sota Presenters Network Summer 2005 Retreat July 24-25 in Rochester, Minn. She also offered one-on-one consultations after the retreat.

Arboretum director **Tom Kroll** was awarded a grant through the Minnesota Forest Industries. MFI, a trade association for the state's private forest products companies, awarded grants to four area teachers for bus transportation costs to state parks, environmental centers, outdoor activities or for wildlife research or activities.

S. Nancy Hynes, professor of English, and retired professor **S. Baulu Kuan** recently won third place for their book, *Sister Thomas Carey, OSB, The Light Within*. It won third place in the design and production category at the Catholic Press Association's book awards, which was presented at its annual conference May 27 in Orlando, Fla. More information can be found at <http://www.catholicpress.org/>.

Professors of psychology **Richard Wielkiewicz** and **Stephen Stelzner** recently had their article, "An ecological perspective on leadership theory, research, and practice," accepted for publication in the *Review of General Psychology*, a publication of the American Psychological Association. In the article, they argue that current theories of leadership are based mainly upon the industrial paradigm emphasizing the preeminence of positional leaders and the machine-like qualities of organizations. They go on to declare that evolutionary and attributional biases tend to reinforce the industrial paradigm.

Sharmistha Self, assistant professor of economics, recently had her paper, "Estimating the Efficiency of the System of Healthcare Financing in Achieving Better

Health," accepted for publication in the journal *Applied Economics*.

Tom Stock, director of athletic marketing at SJU, has also assumed responsibility for athletic fund raising through the J-Club (Saint John's athletic booster club) and will now be the director of athletic marketing and fund raising for SJU.

"Through his work in athletic marketing, Tom has earned this opportunity to develop new J-Club initiatives to bring them on a par with athletic marketing," said Rob Culligan, SJU vice president for institutional advancement. "He has a passion for Johnnie athletics and a proven track record of success."

Stock began his new duties on July 1.

Molly Renslow, former associate vice president for college relations, has joined the CSB President's Office as special assistant to the president for college relations. While her role and many of her responsibilities will remain the same, this move will result in better integration of campus events emanating from both the CSB President's Office and the CSB Office for Institutional Advancement. It will also facilitate more direct relationships between the central Minnesota community and the CSB president's office. One of her new responsibilities will be managing all events at Renner House, the new president's residence. This change was effective July 1.

Barb Fahnhorst has been appointed the director of student employment for CSB/SJU. In the new model for the student employment program at CSB/SJU/SOT, Fahnhorst will be the director and a student employment coordinator will serve as her assistant.

Anne Oberman has been hired as the new controller for CSB. She will be replacing **Jane Williams**, who will end her 20-year tenure with CSB in September. Oberman comes with 20 years of accounting experience in budgeting and budget analysis, financial statements, systems and risk management. A CSB alumna, she is very excited to be returning to CSB.

Peg Walter joins CSB as the new director of residence life. She has worked at St. Olaf College since 1994, most recently holding the position of assistant director for residence life. In her tenure in residence life, she has served in a supervisory role for full-time professional staff, coordinated the student staff program, coordinated overall residence hall programming including thematic programming, advised residence hall councils, served as the chairwoman of the biennial alcohol review committee, held budgetary and administrative responsibility and supervised campus storage. She is a seasoned residence life professional ready to take the reins as director of residence life. In addition, she has been very involved in the state and regional housing associations and plans to continue her involvement while at CSB.

Maribeth Overland joins CSB as director of student activities. She joins CSB from the University of Minnesota-Duluth, where she most recently held the position of assistant director of student affairs for the College of Education and Human Service Professions. In this capacity she has worked with new student orientation for both students and parents, faculty/peer advising training programs, developed training programs for student registration, and created a leadership driven approach to training and motivation for teaching assistants. In addition,

she serves as a consultant, trainer and motivational speaker. She is a certified Enneagram trainer and has had special training in mediation and arts leadership.

Jody Terhaar has been promoted to CSB dean of students. She will supervise recreation sports and will continue to oversee conduct, human rights, orientation, the alcohol coalition and other divisional activities. This promotion allows both Terhaar and SJU dean of students Jason Laker to work together in supervising the major and most active and demanding components of a residential campus.

Joseph P. Vaughan has been promoted to the position of CSB associate vice president of development. In this capacity, he will supervise the fund-raising component of the CSB institutional advancement staff.

Vaughan joined CSB/SJU in August of 2003 as director of planned giving. He holds a JD degree from the University of Minnesota and a BA from SJU. He has extensive experience in management, marketing and sales. Since August of 2004, he has held the position of temporary executive director of development and senior planned giving officer. In that position he has demonstrated his creativity and leadership skills in campaign planning and fund raising.

Michael Livingston, associate professor of psychology, was appointed as the new chair of the American Association of University Professors National Committee on Graduate and Professional Students. His term began this spring and ends in May of 2008. The Committee on Graduate and Professional Students is a new national committee of the AAUP and was formed to address the concerns and rights of graduate students within academe, rep-

resent graduate students' interests within the AAUP, and work to organize graduate students. The committee is made up of seven members (four graduate students and three faculty members) from around the nation. Dr. Jane Buck, national president of the AAUP, appointed him to the position.

In the Media

Three of organ professor **Kim Kasling's** students, Chris Stroh, Anne Phillips and James Gerber, headlined the National Public Radio program "Pipedreams" on July 10. "Pipedreams" is carried by more than 150 FM stations nationwide. A detailed description of CSB/SJU's liturgical music/organ programs was included in the broadcast as well.

Edmund Sass, professor of education, was quoted in two KARE-TV "Extra" programs, "When I was in School — The 70s" and "Back to School: The 80's!!" — discussing education in Minnesota during the 1970s and 1980s.

Gar Kellom, SJU vice president for student development, was recently quoted in a radio interview with the Minnesota News Connection. Kellom, who is a board member of the Minnesota Fathers and Families Network and SJU's Men's Center director, was asked to comment on why men are not fortifying Minnesota's economy as much as recent female college graduates.

Nick Hayes, University Chair of Critical Thinking, had his article "Gorby Hits the Twin Cities at the End of an Era" published in the *Moscow Times* on June 1. The article gave his retrospective on Mikhail Gorbachev's June 3, 1990, visit to the Twin Cities.

Off to a Good Start

By Carleen Schomer, OSB, associate professor of chemistry

Homily for Eucharist on the Feast of Joachim and Ann, July 26, 2005

Exodus 33: 7-11; 34: 5b-9, 28, Matthew 13: 36-43

I spent many an hour as a child working in the large gardens our family planted every summer. Among the tasks needing to be done was weeding. As most of us know, weeds vary greatly in appearance. When and how they are removed affects the crops among which they are growing. Carrots cannot be weeded until they have grown substantially, since the greens of baby carrots and the young weeds look alike. My mother had to teach me the difference between them.

In the parable of the wheat and the weeds, for which the disciples request an explanation from Jesus, removing the weeds was delayed until harvest time. In the early stages of growth, the weeds, probably bearded darnel, looked so much like the wheat that it was difficult to distinguish the two. Later, although identifiable, the roots of the wheat and weeds were so intertwined that pulling out one would have also pulled out the other. At harvest time, the weeds and the wheat were harvested together and then the seeds were separated manually. It was a painstaking process — women and children looked for gray weed seeds among the tan wheat seeds. For this they needed a good eye, a good deal of patience and perseverance.

While the field in the parable of the wheat and the weeds is interpreted biblically to be the world, all arenas in which the potential for good and evil to coexist can be considered to be the field: our world, our country, our church, our community and our individual selves. Some examples:

- In an attempt to free the world of terrorists, members of our military have been trying to identify and weed out terrorists. But what does a terrorist look like? The police shooting of a fleeing man in London recently, a person later acknowledged as not a terrorist, demonstrates how difficult this task is.
- During the 1950's, when communism was considered a threat to the free world, one man, Sen. Joseph McCarthy, made it his personal crusade to eradicate "so-called" communists from the United States. But how does one distinguish a communist from a capitalist? Among the many persons falsely labeled were the American author and educator Owen Lattimore, and President Truman's Secretary of State, Dean Acheson.
- In community, some persons may be viewed as wheat and others as weeds. On what basis are these judgments made? Perhaps at times all of us are wheat, providing bread and nourishment for others. At other times, we are weeds like the darnel weed of Jesus' time that had to be removed because it was toxic to those eating the wheat.
- Consider ourselves. We probably label particular qualities we see in ourselves as either good or bad. We put a lot of effort into removing the bad ones. With time what we thought were weeds were really wheat.

As we participate in this Eucharist today, let us ask God for the ability to know the difference between the wheat and weeds of our lives, and for the wisdom to know the best way and time to remove the weeds from the wheat. Let us also ask for tolerance and patience with ourselves and others in the in-between-times from planting to harvesting.

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