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School of Social Service awaits reaccreditation status

NCA site team also makes visit to campus

The theme of spring this year at Saint Louis University seems to be reaccreditation. A five-member team from the Commission on Accreditation for the Council on Social Work Education visited the School of Social Service Feb. 11-13.

A brief overview from the team, which included representatives from social work education, cited strong support from central administration for the school; effective leadership by the dean; highly dedicated and competent faculty and staff who are accessible to students; student loyalty to the school; respect for the school by agency administrators and field instructors; a strong participation in governance process of the University; and

wide selection of student practica.

"Overall, we received very positive feedback from the team," said Dr. John Slosar, director for the MSW program.

The team also identified minor areas in which the school could improve. One concern was how programs at the master's level use feedback from students to enhance the curriculum.

"They said that this was being done, but we didn't document it fully in our report,"

Slosar said. "We are, however, constantly acting on feedback. Our Saturday program came as a result of feedback from students."

The school's family concentration in the master's program allows participants to take all required course work on Saturdays, and the program guarantees that certain required courses will be offered every semester.

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Long-term employees lauded for service to SLU

Saint Louis University honored several employees during the Presidential Service Awards ceremony April 11.

The event included a breakfast followed by a recognition program. Presidential Service Awards pay tribute to those who have demonstrated a long-term commitment to the institution. To be eligible for a service award, an employee's anniversary date must have occurred between July 1, 2001, and June 30, 2002. Those recently honored for 25, 30, 35, 40 and 45 years of service include:

25 Years

Sally Jo Bequette, Center for Advanced Dental Education; Helen J. Bland, School of Medicine; Thomas Brannon, facilities services; Paul R. Braun, School of Medicine; Martha Kennedy Brennan, College of Public Service; Dr. William J. Burke, M.D., School of Medicine;

Daphne E. Demello, M.D., School of Medicine; James R. Drake, M.D., School of Medicine; Dr. Judith E. Durham,

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University President Lawrence Biondi, S.J., and Provost Sandra Johnson congratulate Mary Bruemmer at the Presidential Service Awards April 11. Bruemmer has given 45 years of service to SLU. (Photo by Ami Dernbach)

Facelift for BMC nearing

A favorite campus gathering place will close its doors for approximately 15 months as improvements recently approved by the board of trustees get under way at Busch Memorial Center.

Renovation and expansion of BMC is slated to begin in



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early June with a targeted completion date of August 2003. All student organizations and departments now housed in BMC will relocate to Notre Dame Hall. The move is expected to begin in mid-May.

U.S. Bank, which operates a branch at BMC, will offer services from the cashier's office in DuBourg Hall during the renovations.

University officials are considering options for restaurants and food services located within the BMC. Many of those decisions, as well as plans for the inside of the building, have not been finalized but should be made by the end of April.

Plans call for the transfor-

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Students give high marks to SLU Graduate School

Figures compiled by Saint Louis University's Graduate School prove that quality and quantity can co-exist.

Backed by recently compiled data from an exit survey of more than 3,000 SLU master's and doctoral students, the Graduate School has shown a consistent record of student satisfaction since 1993 — the year the school began soliciting evaluation from students.

The survey features a series of eight questions regarding department expectations, advising, content, services, mission and over-

all quality. The survey asks students to rate their satisfaction on a scale from one to five, with five being the highest. The average score for the eight-year period on all items is above 4.0.

"The scores are remarkably consistent," said Dr. Don Brennan, dean of the Graduate School and associate provost for research. "The large number of respondents validates that our students leave with a very favorable view of our programs."

The data also provide departments with

useful feedback, helping them identify strengths to build on and areas in which to improve.

"Most importantly, the data indicate the fine job done by our faculty," Brennan said. The Graduate School also has ranked among the top five Catholic universities in doctoral degrees granted since 1987, the first year SLU officials began compiling that data. Only Notre Dame has achieved this

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University smallpox study returns with new twist

Project to include those vaccinated as children

The potential use of smallpox in a terrorist attack has prompted a new NIH-funded smallpox research study that will begin this spring at the School of Medicine.

Unlike two prior studies, this

new study will include volunteers who previously were vaccinated against smallpox as children. Routine vaccinations against smallpox ended around 1973.

"Many adults in the United States received the smallpox vaccine as children, but it is not clear if these vaccinations given many years ago would confer any protection in the event of an outbreak,"

said Sharon Frey, M.D., principal investigator for the study and associate professor of infectious diseases and immunology.

"Our clinical trial at Saint Louis University will study the immune response in previously vaccinated and unvaccinated adults to see how they respond to four different dilution strengths of the investigational

smallpox vaccine."

Dryvax, the smallpox vaccine under study, is no longer produced, and there are limited supplies available in the United States. This study will look at the ability to dilute the vaccine to make more doses available in the event of a terrorist attack.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

SLU embraces role as urban university

Saint Louis University enjoys an ever-increasing reputation and stands among a few select Catholic institutions renowned for excellence in teaching, research and service. But what makes SLU truly unique? What provides its distinctive spirit?

Ties to our Jesuit heritage certainly play a large part. But 27 other institutions in the United States also share this tradition.

Perhaps I'm predisposed because SLU recently hosted the conference "Creative Redevelopment Partnerships: The Role of the Urban University," but I would contend our connection with our community distinguishes us. Since its inception, Saint Louis University has shared a special bond with our community, growing up with the city of St. Louis over the past 184 years. Working through its exceptional people and guided by its distinct mission, Saint Louis University also has assumed responsibility for shaping our city and helping it improve.

Saint Louis University remains the only research university located within the boundaries of St. Louis city. With that distinction comes two things: an identity shared with no other institution of higher learning and unique responsibilities. And St. Louis is critical to the value that we have as a University. Our city's distinctive culture and unique attractions are treasures to those of us who know them best. An afternoon at Busch Stadium, a meal on The Hill or a stroll through our world-class zoo are all attractive to visitors and things that I enjoy.

But St. Louis also provides us with ample opportunities to live out our mission of transforming society. It allows us to put our Jesuit principles into action. It allows us to be a place where knowledge touches lives.

Thanks to our location, the University makes an enormous economic impact on the community each year — including salaries, employee spending, student spending and goods and services purchased from local businesses. Yet our value to our community manifests itself in so many other ways.

As a university, SLU provides valuable teaching and research for the benefit of society. But as an institution of higher learning rooted in the Catholic, Jesuit tradition, we also know it is our *responsibility* to commit our resources to city neighborhoods, to be a part of the solution instead of relying on governments, businesses or philanthropists to fix the problems. We adhere to the philosophy that although no one can predict the future, all of us can help shape it. We must and can be the source of change we wish to see in the world.

SLU students, faculty and staff have always answered this call. We serve the marginalized at local soup kitchens. We help at-risk youth and their families in the neighborhoods near SLU. We provide free health care services and legal assistance to those who need it. We see the real-

ity of our world, and it moves many of us to keep changing it.

The 2001 calendar year was no exception as the University community contributed more than 489,000 hours toward service or volunteer opportunities. Approximately 2,842 agencies benefited from these efforts — an increase of 110 percent from last year's figures.

Although other institutions may offer similar activities, there still is a remarkable difference because SLU's Ignatian heritage *demand*s our institution immerse itself in the problems of our society, and especially in our community. We have no choice in the matter if we are to follow our principles wholeheartedly. So we participate in improvements and planning efforts beyond our boundaries. And we tout the fact that planning must evolve into action for real change to occur.

By purchasing the former Incarnate Word Hospital, SLU brought a forgotten building back to life through the development of the University's Salus Center. By supporting the renovation of the Continental Building, SLU will help establish a site for quality housing in Midtown. By opening the Saint Louis University Museum of Art, SLU will add another attraction for Grand Center, a defin-

ing cultural district in our city. By establishing a revolving loan fund of \$10 million from our endowment for real estate development projects surrounding our campus, we facilitate the transformation of our neighborhood.

With our help, Midtown has begun to progress into a true urban neighborhood, where people live, work, shop and learn — a place where people want to be, and most importantly, want to stay — instead of just attending classes and cultural institutions and then returning to a home located somewhere in the suburbs.

Throughout our history — in the 1940s, '50s and '70s — the University had the option to leave the city and move to St. Louis County. In every instance, University officials decided to remain. We did so not out of political pressure but because our city defines who we are. It is a part of us. We are a part of it. While we enjoy what our city has to offer, we also are willing to take ownership in its problems. We have adopted the attitude that our success is intertwined with the health of the community around it. By doing so, we send a clear message that turning our back on our city means doing the same to the heart of Saint Louis University.



Lawrence Biondi, S.J.
University president



SPECIAL VISIT: U.S. Sen. Christopher "Kit" Bond (left) visited Saint Louis University's Center for Bioterrorism and Emerging Infections March 26 to discuss details of a new \$100 million bill to strengthen the nation's defense against a possible terrorist attack. During the last two years, Bond has secured more than \$1 million for the center, which has developed tools and information being used nationwide to train health care providers and public health departments. Above, Bond shares some ideas with University President Lawrence Biondi, S.J. (Photo by Clayton Berry)



Human Resources FYI

Q: My son/daughter is graduating from college in May. Can I keep him/her on my medical insurance?

A: No. A dependent older than age 19 loses eligibility for medical and dental insurance once he or she loses full-time student status. It is the employee's responsibility to drop the dependent as of the date of graduation by completing the appropriate change form. Forms to drop benefits from both medical and dental plans are available in the University benefits office or on the benefits Web site at www.slu.edu/services/HR/benefits_medical.html.

Once dropped, dependents are eligible to continue their medical and dental coverage independently under COBRA laws, provided timely notification is received by the benefits department within 60 days of graduation. As long as the dependent makes the required monthly premium payment, the benefit can be extended for up to 36 months. Please contact the benefits office at 977-2304 for more information about this option. A dependent is eligible for coverage to age 25 if he or she maintains full-time student status.



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UPCOMING ISSUE: The summer issue of *Grand Connections* is scheduled to be on the stands Tuesday, May 28. The deadline for submissions for that issue is Friday, May 17.

Get on track to help find cure for cancer at upcoming Relay for Life

Saint Louis University once again will be the anchor for one of the city's largest philanthropy efforts as it hosts the summer's first Relay for Life, sponsored by the American Cancer Society and SLU's Center for Leadership and Community Service.

On Friday and Saturday, May 3-4,

SLU students and employees are invited to gather in teams of eight to 15 people and walk around Robert R. Hermann Stadium for this 13-hour fund raiser. Each team member is asked to raise a minimum of \$100 before the event. The SLU community will join hundreds of families, friends and compa-

ny-sponsored teams that hope to surpass the \$40,000 raised last year to support research in finding a cure for cancer.

"The Relay for Life is really about honoring survivors," said event coordinator Corey Worth. "It is moving and powerful as so many of us have been touched by cancer either personally or through

loved ones. Our SLU event is significant because it serves as a showcase for the other communities doing relays throughout the summer."

Team packets can be picked up at the CLCS office located on the third floor of Busch Memorial Center. For more information, call Worth at 286-8158.

SLU bestows Sword of Loyola

Nancy Goodman Brinker is the latest recipient of Saint Louis University's Sword of Ignatius Loyola Award.

The award was presented at the opening gala of the Saint Louis University Cancer Center April 12 at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Clayton, Mo.

Named in honor of the founder of the Jesuits, the sword is the University's highest honor, symbolizing the Ignatian vision of service.

The U.S. Ambassador to Hungary, Brinker established the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation in 1982 in honor of her sister, who died of breast cancer in 1980. She started the foundation with only a few hundred dollars of her own money and a

shoebox of friends' names.

Two short years later, Brinker discovered she also had breast cancer and used the experience of her sister to guide her own treatment.

Before her sister died, Brinker promised that she would dedicate the rest of her life to eradicating breast cancer as a life-threatening disease. Today, the Komen Foundation is a leader in the field of breast cancer education, screening and treatment. It is the largest private funding source for breast cancer research and community outreach programs.

"The Sword of Loyola is given in recognition of individual achievement, such as that of Nancy Brinker, a woman who

gives of herself to humankind for the greater glory of God," said University President Lawrence Biondi, S.J. "It is appropriate that Nancy receive this award at the inaugural celebration of the new Saint Louis University Cancer Center.

"She has done so much to promote the treatment and cure of breast cancer, which is one of the major pieces of the cancer puzzle that the Saint Louis University Cancer Center team is working hard to solve."

The new Saint Louis University Cancer Center held its grand opening March 20.

The SLU Cancer Center is operated and funded by Saint Louis University and Tenet Healthcare.



OFFICIAL OPENING: Crystal L. Haynes, chief executive officer for Saint Louis University Hospital (left), and University President Lawrence Biondi, S.J., cut the ribbon at the Saint Louis University Cancer Center grand opening March 20. (Photo by Clayton Berry)



AWARD WINNERS: The College of Arts and Sciences held its excellence awards and spring faculty assembly April 9 to recognize outstanding faculty and students. From left are Dr. Vincent Casaregola, recipient of the award for excellence in mentoring; Dr. Darrin Speegle, recipient of the award for excellence in teaching in the natural sciences; Liese Hutchison, recipient of the award for excellence in teaching in the social sciences; and J.J. Mueller, S.J., recipient of the award for excellence in teaching in the humanities. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)



Employee Spotlight

Name: Allison Babka Burney

Position: media relations assistant

Nature of your work: help write, edit and update the Newslink daily e-mail and Web site and handle purchasing for the department

Born: Nov. 11, 1976, in Bellaire, Ohio, the "All-American Town." (Yes, it's actually called that.)

Education: bachelor's degree in communications (print media concentration) from Bethany College in Bethany, W.Va. (I was only four hours away from a double major, but I couldn't stand the French professor any longer, so I didn't finish the run just to spite her.)

Three words that describe me: lively, amusing and some people would say "cartoonish."

For one day, I'd like to trade places with: our cat, Sammy. He leads the good life of meowing at the birds outside our windows and snuggling with his "parents" whenever he pleases.

If I couldn't have my present job, I'd like to: teach art to elementary school kids.

Favorite vacation spot: No particular spot but whenever my husband, James, and I visit different cities, we read up on reported "paranormal activity" there and visit the sites. The ghost hunting never really pans out, but it's fun to think about, and it takes us away from the normal "touristy" sites.

Song that encourages me: *Dancing Nancies* by Dave Matthews Band

A book I would recommend is: *Star by Star* of the *Star Wars* New Jedi Order series.

Favorite CD: *Achtung Baby* by U2

Favorite television shows: *The Monkees*, *The Brady Bunch*, *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*, *Angel*

I'd like to meet: Bono — not just because he's hot for a guy over 40, but because he's used his celebrity status to bring issues like debt relief to the forefront.

Pet peeves: movies that are completely different from the book (ahem ... *Along Came A Spider*)

Favorite food: General Tso's chicken and steamed rice

Favorite sports team: any little league team — you can tell they're really enjoying themselves instead of worrying about getting \$3.2 million next year.

Best advice your mother ever gave you: "You really have to control this problem you have with talking in class, Allison. It's going to get you into trouble someday."

Guilty pleasure: If I'm motivated, I can eat an entire bag of Lays sour cream and onion potato chips in one sitting.

Almost nobody knows that I: tape *7th Heaven* and *Gilmore Girls* when I'm out.

A good movie I've seen lately: *Big Trouble*, which closely follows the Dave Barry novel, was a fun ride, but I still haven't seen anything breathtaking since *Moulin Rouge*.

What hobbies do you enjoy in your spare time? Besides reading a couple of books a week, I really enjoy scrapbooking. Until recently, I worked part time in a scrapbook supply shop, where I received a substantial discount to feed my addiction. You just can't have enough stickers and glue.

Favorite World Wide Web site: www.the-force.net

Best career move: moving from West Virginia to St. Louis

Someday I hope to: jump out of a plane, own my own scrapbooking enterprise and learn that it's OK to live in the moment instead of only looking ahead to the future.

Proudest moment: the first time I did karaoke. I was 22 and scared to death.

Something that remains a mystery to me is: Boo Berry cereal was around when I was young. It was yummy. The cereal was taken off the market in the late '80s/early '90s, and then it returned a few years ago. Why did they change the taste? What was wrong with the old formula? The new Boo Berry just doesn't taste like blueberries anymore.

Commencement activities set

Saint Louis University will celebrate its 2002 commencement ceremony at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 18, at Savvis Center. Graduates can invite as many guests to the commencement ceremony as they wish. No tickets are required. The ceremony lasts approximately one-and-a-half hours. Diplomas will be distributed following the ceremony.

A pre-commencement Mass for graduates, their families, teachers and friends will be at 9 a.m. Friday, May 17, at St. Francis Xavier College Church. Several pre-commencement ceremonies also are planned. They include:

Thursday, May 16

Graduate School — 9 a.m. at St. Francis Xavier College Church. A reception follows at John E. Connelly Mall, north of the clock tower.

College of Public Service — Noon at St. Francis Xavier College Church. A reception follows in Busch Memorial Center, Saint Louis Room.

Doisy School of Allied Health Professions — 2:30 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier College Church. A reception follows at John E. Connelly Mall, north of the clock tower.

School of Social Service — 5 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier College Church. A reception follows on the plaza at the corner of Grand and Lindell boulevards.

School of Law — 6 p.m. at Powell Symphony Hall. A reception follows at John E. Connelly Mall, north of the clock tower.

Friday, May 17

College of Arts and Sciences — 11 a.m. at the Chase Park Plaza, 212-232 N. Kingshighway Blvd., with a reception immediately following.

School of Nursing — 11:30 a.m. at St. Francis Xavier College Church. A reception follows at John E. Connelly Mall, north of the clock tower.

School of Public Health — 2 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier College Church. A reception follows at the plaza on the corner of Grand and Lindell boulevards.

School of Medicine — 3 p.m. at Powell Symphony Hall. A reception follows at the Millennium Hotel, 200 S. Fourth St.

School for Professional Studies — 4:30 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier College Church. A reception follows at John E. Connelly Mall, north of the clock tower.

John Cook School of Business — 5:30 p.m. at the Scottish Rite Cathedral. A reception follows at the courtyard of Davis-Shaughnessy Hall.

Parks College of Engineering and Aviation — 6 p.m. at Simon Recreation Center. A reception follows at Pius XII Memorial Library.

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SPIRITUAL MUSCLE: The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola will be offered on campus again this fall through the Bridges program. Anyone interested in learning more about the program is invited to attend an informational session from noon-1 p.m. Tuesday, May 7, in the Loyola Center for Campus Ministry in Busch Memorial Center. Also known as the "Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life," Bridges is a program of prayer and reflection for busy people. A former participant will speak on the benefits of the program, and an overview of Bridges will be presented. For more information, call Mary Flick at 977-2428.

WOMAN OF WISDOM: Sandra Spencer, director of pastoral care, was honored recently as the "Woman of Wisdom" during the 2002 Catholic Women Awards, held at St. Francis Xavier College Church. Sponsored by the Archdiocesan Committee on Women in the Church, the event recognized 12 women for their special gifts to the Church. Spencer has been with the University for 12 years. Before her appointment as director of pastoral care, she served as staff chaplain for the oncology unit.

LIFE SAVERS: The department of anesthesiology offers advanced cardiac life support (ACLS) and basic life support (BLS) certification courses for health care professionals throughout the year. Sanctioned by the American Heart Association, the courses provide participants with ACLS and BLS certification valid for two years. For those certifying for the first time or who have allowed their certification to expire, the course is two days and costs \$180. For an individual needing re-certification only (certification card expires the month of taking the course), the course is one day and costs \$120. For additional information or to request a registration form, call Barb Caleca or Tammy Tolliver in the department of anesthesiology at 577-8750. Upcoming course dates

include Friday and Saturday, June 7-8 and June 14-15, and Saturday and Sunday, May 18-19 and July 27-28. Courses are held in the Learning Resources Center at the Health Sciences Center.

PARTICIPANTS NEEDED: The School of Medicine seeks men and women diagnosed with bipolar disorder to participate in a medical research study. This study involves the investigational use of an FDA-approved epilepsy drug, oxcarbazepine (Trileptal), for patients with bipolar disorder whose symptoms are not completely controlled with their current medications. To qualify for the study, participants must: be between the ages of 18-65 years; be receiving treatment as an outpatient; and not have been a substance abuser during the last six months. Participants will receive medication, laboratory work and office visits at no charge during the study. In addition, participants will receive \$25 per visit to compensate for their time. If you are interested in participating in the study or have any questions, call Katherine, the study coordinator, at 577-8000, extension 3417.

TWO HONORED: Saint Louis University faculty members Drs. Maurice Green and Ali Shilatifard recently received Spirit of Health Awards from the American Cancer Society. Green, a professor, chairman and founder of the Institute for Molecular Virology, is an internationally known molecular virologist who has spent the majority of his research career at the School of Medicine. He ranks at the top of the list of scientists whose research has defined the molecular properties of DNA viruses. Shilatifard is an assistant professor of biochemistry and molecular biology.

SURVEY SAYS: The department of campus recreation is asking members of the University community to complete a campus recreation survey at www.slu.edu/organizations/crcisc/survey.html. You also can reach



SHARING THEIR WORK: A total of 47 research posters and 11 papers were on display April 5 in the St. Louis Room of Busch Memorial Center for the eighth annual research day symposium, an event sponsored by the Graduate School and the Graduate Student Association. First-place winners were Anthony Richey in the social and physical sciences category, Sarah Weber in the biological sciences category and Renee Porter in the paper category. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)

the survey by going to the department of campus recreation Web site and following the links. Everyone who completes the survey will be entered into a prize drawing. The purpose of the survey is to help the department provide the SLU community with the best possible programs and services.

ESSAY WINNER: Sam Conedera, a senior majoring in history and Spanish, has won first place in the Phi Beta Kappa third annual undergraduate essay contest at Saint Louis University. His entry "From Sublime to Absurd" described a fictional narrator's dinner engagement with philosopher Jean-Jacques Rousseau, who discussed the genesis of his "dim view of civilization." The contest asked participants to explain which departed person, famous or not, they would choose to converse with and why. Conedera, a spring 2002 Phi Beta Kappa initiate, will receive \$150.

WORK OF FAITH: A University-wide interdisciplinary colloquium on the influence of Christian faith upon academic professions will be presented from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Monday, April 29, in the Anheuser-Busch auditori-

um in Cook Hall. Faculty panelists addressing this topic include Sarah Legett, M.D., pediatrics; Dr. Robert Bolla, biology; Dr. Eddie Clark, psychology; and Dr. Donald Stump, English. The event also will include a keynote lecture by SLU alumnus Richard Dooling, who received his bachelor's degree from Saint Louis University in 1976. He worked as a respiratory therapist in intensive care units and traveled widely in Europe and Africa before returning to Law School at SLU. He is a full-time novelist and lives with his wife and four children in his hometown of Omaha, Neb. His work has appeared in the *New Yorker*, *National Review*, *Esquire*, *New York Times* and *Wall Street Journal*. His highly acclaimed medical satire *Critical Care* was made into a film by Sidney Lumet. Dooling will help write four episodes for Stephen King's new ABC television series *The Kingdom*, and his fourth novel, *Bet Your Life*, will be published in the fall.

DONOR MARCH: An upcoming event will honor organ and tissue donors and their families. The 18th annual Candlelight March will begin at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 24, at Saint Louis University's Laclede Park at the corner of Compton and Laclede avenues. The march west to SLU's clock tower begins at 7 p.m. There, donor families will be honored. The march aims to increase awareness about the critical importance of organ donation. The event includes refreshments, entertainment, activities for children, live music and complimentary parking. It is open to the public. For more information, call 977-6338.

SLU RANKING: Saint Louis University Hospital — and its physician partners at the School of Medicine — has been ranked by the American Association of Retired Persons *Modern Maturity* magazine as one of the Top 50 Hospitals in the United States. It is the only local hospital on the list. *Modern Maturity* also ranked Saint Louis University Hospital as one of the top 10 leading renal care hospitals. The final list was compiled by using criteria such as physician ratings, accredita-

tion score, training programs for physicians and death rates for various types of medical and surgical cases.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Faculty and staff are invited to the third annual Amazing Tastes of St. Louis, benefiting the research efforts of Terry Moore, M.D., professor of internal medicine, to find a cure and treatment for lupus. The event will be held at 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 26, in the Khorassan Room of the Chase Park Plaza Hotel. Chefs from 26 area restaurants, including Carmine's Steak House, Crazy Fish, J. Bucks, John Mineo's, Truffles and Lo Russo's Cucina, will dish out samplings of their culinary talents. A silent auction will be held at 6:30 p.m., followed by a live auction at 8:30 p.m. The donation is \$100 a person. Bob Kuban and his orchestra will provide music and dancing. Systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE), which affects hundreds of area residents, is a chronic, autoimmune disease that causes inflammation in parts of the body such as the central nervous system (CNS). People suffering from the disease can face many problems in their daily lives, including muscle and joint pain, extreme fatigue and severe kidney and CNS manifestations. It affects one out of every 185 Americans. Call 372-3232 for reservations.

HELPING OUR OWN: The annual Helping Our Own mail appeal is under way. Helping Our Own provides a one-time monetary gift to any full-time or part-time employee experiencing a valid financial crisis. Requests are made in writing and reviewed by a committee of employees. All requests are kept confidential. Those who registered for payroll deduction last year must re-register to renew their gift. Employees are receiving a brochure through interoffice mail explaining the program and a letter asking for support. Pledge cards can be completed and mailed to mission and ministry, DuBourg Hall, Room 210. For more information, call 977-2428.



HOW MANY DID YOU FIND: These children of SLU alumni were three of the almost 650 participants at the second annual SLU Alumni Association Easter Egg Festival. Along with the hunt, the event featured music, treats, face painting and visits with the main bunny himself. (Photo by Kristen Peterson)

University offering new degree in investigative and medical sciences

The department of clinical laboratory science at the Doisy School of Allied Health Professions has announced the establishment of a bachelor of science degree in investigative and medical sciences.

The unique degree is designed to give academic leverage to students who wish to pursue post-baccalaureate graduate or professional studies. Peggy Edwards, chairwoman of the department of clinical laboratory science, said the degree prepares students for advanced study in medically related areas such as medicine, dentistry, physician assistant, veterinary sciences, pharmacology, microbiology, pathology, forensics and public health.

In addition, career entry opportunities at the baccalaureate level are numerous. The IMS curriculum provides graduates with a competitive edge for research associate and other technical positions in university, biotechnological, pharmaceutical and government laboratories.

"The investigative and medical sciences degree is ideal for students who have an aptitude for science and an interest in medicine," Edwards said. "Like

our traditional baccalaureate degree in clinical laboratory science, the IMS degree provides students with a strong basic science foundation combined with medically relevant course work."

Students learn pathophysiology, theoretical principles and practical skills necessary for the selection and interpretation of laboratory tests used in diagnosis, treatment and disease monitoring.

"Flexibility is the bonus in how the IMS curriculum is designed," Edwards said. "Twenty-one credit hours are devoted to an area of concentration, allowing students to tailor their degrees to personal interests and career goals."

Enrollment for the new IMS degree program has opened, with classes beginning this fall.

The department of clinical laboratory science has been continuously accredited for the education of clinical laboratory professionals since its inception in 1929.

The department continues to offer a bachelor's degree in clinical laboratory science, in addition to the new bachelor's degree in investigative and medical sciences.



COACHING CHANGE: Brad Soderberg (above) became the 23rd head coach of the men's basketball program during a press conference April 12 in Bauman-Eberhardt Athletic Center's Hall of Fame Room. Soderberg joined the Billikens for the 2001-02 season as the top assistant under Lorenzo Romar. Before coming to SLU, Soderberg served as Wisconsin's interim head coach when Dick Bennett retired early in the 2000-01 season after the Badgers' magical run to the 2000 Final Four. Boasting a career record of 131-73 as a head coach, Soderberg compiled a 16-10 record at Wisconsin and became the first coach to lead the Badgers to the NCAA Tournament in his first season. He moved to Wisconsin in April 1995 after two seasons as head coach for South Dakota State. He replaces Romar, who announced April 3 that he had accepted the head coaching job at the University of Washington, his alma mater. At left, a tearful Romar told those gathered for a news conference that leaving St. Louis was not an easy choice. During his three-year stint with the Billikens, Romar compiled a 51-44 (.537) overall record that included a C-USA Tournament championship in 2000. (Photos by Chris Waldvogel)



Billiken Briefs

COACHING CHANGES: Two Saint Louis University coaches will follow former men's head basketball coach Lorenzo Romar to the University of Washington. Assistant men's basketball coach Cameron Dollar has resigned to assume the same duties for the Huskies. A former UCLA standout, Dollar just completed his third season on the Billikens' staff. Billikens assistant coach Lance LaVetter also is joining the Huskies' program as director of basketball operations after a three-year tenure in the Billikens' program.

CHEER CHAMPS: The Saint Louis University cheerleading squad claimed first place at the American Challenge National Championships held March 22-24 in Indianapolis. The Billikens won the national championship in the college coed division. "The entire squad has worked tirelessly all year long, and they have shown tremendous dedication to the school, the sport and the other squad members," cheerleading coach Shannon Soland said. "It was a great feeling to see all their hard work pay off with a national championship." The competition lasted three days with more than 140 cheer and dance squads from across the country participating. Judging was based upon stunts, tumbling, motions and difficulty of lifts and tosses. This was the first time the Saint Louis University squad had participated in a national championship event. Squad members are: Jamie Austin, Chris Blackwell, Val Blough, Paul Blumfelder, Elizabeth Darabcsek, Gene Doerr, Keegan Haselkorn, Michele Jones, Dustin Kertz, John Markowitz, Melissa Martoran, Chelsea Merrell, Lauren Morris, Amir Nadimi, Devendra Patel, Joe Plut, Andrea Runzi, Amanda Stumpe, Maurice Thomas, Tara Weis and John Wisnieski.



Perry

MARQUE IS MVP: Junior Marque Perry received the Billikens' Most Valuable Player award at the annual men's basketball banquet. Perry is the Billikens' leading scorer and ranks 11th in Conference USA at 14.5 points per game. He ranks 14th in C-USA among free throw shooters at 75.6 percent. His best game of the season was a 27-point explosion against DePaul in Chicago when he matched his career high in scoring and set a career high with seven boards. He has scored in double figures 20 times, led the Billikens in assists 13 times and led the team in rebounding twice.

QUICK STARTS: The 2002 baseball squad opened the season 7-0, marking the longest unbeaten streak to begin a season since the 1966 team started out 9-0. Overall, the seven-game win streak ties the second-longest streak by a Billiken team since 1966. The Billiken softball team, meanwhile, fashioned a seven-game winning streak to break the school record for the longest in the program's history. The 1980 team won six straight games to set the record.

Changes implemented for tuition remission

Several changes have been implemented for the tuition remission program at Saint Louis University. An online tuition remission enrollment process has replaced the paper form, which no longer will be available.

The tuition remission handling fee also will be increased to \$50 per class beginning with the summer 2002 session.

The University benefits office, in conjunction with the office of scholarship and financial aid and the information technology services re-engineering team, worked together to create the service, which allows an academic year annual tuition remission enrollment process.

This newest enhancement eliminates the requirement of making applications for each semester and term for which tuition remission benefits are being sought.

The annual tuition remission online enrollment for the 2003 academic year (summer 2002, fall 2002 and spring 2003) began April 1 through WebPro.slu.edu. During calendar year 2002, graduate tuition remission is tax free for the first \$5,250 of tuition remission benefits. For more information about tuition remission, call 977-2304.

Provost garners award

University Provost Sandra Johnson was honored with the effectiveness of the American judicial system."

the Woman of the Year Award at the Women's Justice Awards Banquet April 4 at the Chase Park Plaza Hotel.

The Woman of the Year Award is given annually to "a woman lawyer who has compiled an enviable record of achievement as an attorney and who has given her time and energy to strength-



Johnson

Johnson holds SLU's Tenet Chair in Health Care Law and Ethics. In addition to her appointment as professor of law, she holds joint appointments at the School of Medicine as professor of law in inter-nal medicine and the School of Public Health as professor of health care administration.

Potvin helps undergraduates get the drop on research

Physics professor Jean Potvin has not always been a fan of the atrium in McDonnell Douglas Hall. "I used to think it was wasted space," he said.

That changed last summer when Potvin and his students exploited the location as a parachute test site. Using toy models approximately 3.5 percent the size of a normal parachute, Potvin and his students dropped the miniatures from 25 feet, which simulated a full-scale descent of 600 feet.

"The aerodynamics of a parachute are hard to study outside because of uncontrollable variables such as wind," Potvin said. "In the atrium, we can get rid of the wind, or at least control it."

The experiment secured data for a new product — a revolutionary square-topped parachute with vents in the side — being developed for U.S. Army paratroopers. Potvin serves as a consultant for the project, answering questions Army managers had concerning the new parachute's peculiar aerodynamics.

"It lands much softer and will have superior performance to the T-10, which the Army uses now," Potvin said. "Those chutes were designed in the mid-1950s."

An expert who still is learning about the physical laws that govern the inflation and flight of parachutes, the down-to-earth Potvin co-founded the Parks College Parachute Research Group in 1996 with Gary Peek, an FAA-master parachute rigger and electronics consultant.

Part of an ongoing series on research

"Scientists still have a lot to learn about the basic force of air resistance on objects that are not streamlined, such as sails and parachutes," Potvin said.

To achieve its goals, the PCPRG is conducting a vigorous research program in the areas of parachute inflation and flight dynamics, as well as offering its consulting services to the parachute industry and government agencies. Under Potvin's direction, Saint Louis University undergraduates form the core of the group.

"Students learn a lot in a classroom," said Potvin, who teaches introductory physics classes at SLU. "But they learn much more in the field through hands-on projects."

Potvin generally recruits two to three research assistants a year to help with his research. And although the students get paid, they quickly learn that their job is more like an independent study course. Potvin said his assistants usually spend a whole semester going over *The Dr. Potvin Parachute Reader*, an assortment of journal articles about the basic principles that helps get students up to speed.

"The first semester is a time to read and ask questions," Potvin said. "With undergraduates, research is not something they do alone. You have to be there at every step, teach them how to cross check results and recognize if the data

they compiled is correct. The emphasis is more on training."

That training includes basic experimental techniques in aerodynamics, especially techniques not covered in the curriculum, and conducting wind tunnel experiments to learn how to study air flow around parachutes. Assistants also must become familiar with data analysis software not found in other SLU courses. Some even learn how to sew.

After they become familiar enough with the nuances of parachute technology, students participate in experiments, and sometimes test drops, helping to collect and analyze data. Potvin said some students help write papers or design instruments used in the experiments.

To back up his claim, he pulls a device that looks like a seat belt from his office shelf. One end of the belt will be attached to a parachute's suspension line while the other end will secure the "payload," the parachute's cargo. Potvin opens what looks like the buckle, which reveals a hunk of metal. Wires lie under the metal, connected to it by a single gold chip. Put together by a student, this "load cell" measures the opening shock forces from how much the metal stretched during a drop.

Potvin's students usually join his research efforts full time in the summer and contribute a few hours a month during the semester. "I always tell them that their top priority is academics; parachute



From left, student Becky Brocato, Dr. Jean Potvin, students Carlos Mangano, Daniel Garcia, Roberto Montanez and Mr. Gary Peek at the Parks wind tunnel in Oliver Hall. (Photo courtesy of Jean Potvin)

stuff is a lower priority," said Potvin, who often hires sophomores because they will learn from him for three years.

Working as an undergraduate research assistant offers obvious advantages, such as experience. But Potvin said it also develops a team attitude and fosters a deeper appreciation for the University. "I find it transforms students into loyal SLU alumni and integrates them even more into the SLU family," he said. "It's an all-around positive experience for both me and them."

Jesse Jackson Jr. to attend Calloway brunch

U.S. Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr. will be the featured speaker during an annual event that raises funds for Saint Louis University scholarships that assist African-American students.

The Calloway prayer brunch begins at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 27, in the St. Louis Room of Busch Memorial Center. SLU's Black Alumni Association and the Black Student Alliance sponsor the brunch, which supports the University's Calloway scholarships.

An Illinois congressman and son of the noted civil rights leader, Jackson will speak about his work in the movement and his role in the House of Representatives. Jackson was elected in 1995 and is the 91st African-American elected to Congress. Last year, he wrote the book *A More Perfect Union*.

The Calloway scholarship fund provides 25 annual scholarships — each valued at \$10,700 — to incoming African-American freshmen who exhibit outstanding academic achievement and co-curricular involvement. Students who earn the scholarship must maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA at SLU to renew the scholarship each year.

The scholarship honors the accomplishments of Ernest A. Calloway Jr., who served as an associate professor of urban affairs at SLU for 11 years. He also was president of the St. Louis NAACP and Negro Labor Council.



Jackson

"The University established the scholarship to recognize Earnest Calloway's hope for a better world," said Dr. Charles Murphy, disabilities coordinator and president of the Black Alumni Association. "The scholarship supports the University's mission to transform students into women and men for others."

The son of an Appalachian coal miner, Calloway worked to obtain a scholarship from Oxford University. He demonstrated a life-long concern for the welfare of humanity as a conscientious objector to Jim Crow Laws.

Reservations are required for the brunch, which costs \$25 for adults and \$8 for SLU students. To make a reservation, or for more information about the Calloway brunch or scholarship, call 977-2250.



Trivia Corner



This month's trivia deals with the presidents of Saint Louis University.

1. How many presidents has the University had?
2. What president boasts the longest tenure? The second longest?
3. Which president is often called "the second founder of the University"?
4. True or False: All SLU presidents have been Jesuits.

1. 35 (Four as president of Saint Louis College, 31 as SLU president.)
2. Paul C. Reimert, S.J., has the longest tenure with 25 years of service as president (1949-1974). Lawrence Biondi, S.J., is second with 15 years (1987-present).
3. William Banks Rogers, S.J. (1900-1908)
4. True

Biondi to deliver State of the University address April 30

University President Lawrence Biondi, S.J., will deliver the annual State of the University Address at 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 30, in the St. Louis Room of

Busch Memorial Center.

A reception in the common area on the ground floor will follow Biondi's remarks. For more information, call 977-7150.



INTERNATIONAL FLAVOR: Students, faculty and staff enjoyed ethnic cuisine, music, a parade and other festivities during the Billiken World Fair held April 5 in the quad. The event was part of the second annual Atlas Week, which included open classes, special presentations, films and lectures. Atlas Week is designed to recognize the international dimensions of the University community and the international aspects of its Jesuit mission and heritage. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)

Medical marvels abound at practical anatomy workshop

Facility offers tips for young students, renowned physicians

Its scholars range from grade-school children to skilled neurosurgeons. Its speakers include pioneers and legends from the field of medicine. Its world-class laboratory is filled with state-of-the-art equipment. Yet the practical anatomy workshop may be Saint Louis University's best-kept secret.

Since 1991, the workshop has occupied part of a building owned by the Metropolitan Medical Society, located at 3839 Lindell Blvd. On this particular day, hundreds of physical therapists, occupational therapists and other allied health professionals watch a presentation on spinal cord injuries in the workshop's amphitheater on the main floor. Soon the crowd will don 3-D glasses to improve their point of view.

"The workshop's main objective is education — to expand the knowledge of each person who comes here," said Sue Wilson, the workshop's assistant director. "Obviously, that requires drastically different approaches as our participants come from very diverse backgrounds."

In the workshop's basement laboratory — stocked with operating microscopes and 26 two-person stations — physicians fol-



Dr. Margaret Cooper, (left), professor of anatomy and neurobiology, delivers a session on anatomy to high school students as part of the practical anatomy workshop's adventures in medicine and science (AIMS) program. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)

low and perform today's latest procedures and techniques or get a glimpse of the latest equipment through vendor demonstrations. High school students become familiarized with human anatomy and organs through seminars. Yet all these different visitors share a common trait: They are energized with the anticipation of discovery.

"Medical doctors attending our workshops are like little kids in a sandbox," Wilson said. "They get really excited because they are discovering advances in procedures or equipment that will allow them to serve their patients better."

During 2000, the practical anatomy workshop's 119 faculty members trained 605 health care

professionals, including neurosurgeons, paramedics, physical therapists, nurses, occupational therapists and orthopedic surgeons. Participants hailed from 19 different countries and represented 15 disciplines.

The practical anatomy workshop also sponsors adventures in medicine and science (AIMS), which caters to younger students and their teachers. In 2001, 4,394 students benefited from 3-D presentations on human anatomy given by health care professionals in area schools. Approximately 3,171 students participated in physician-led cadaver demonstrations and programs about the brain, heart

and eye in which students use animal organs for dissections.

The AIMS program also offers an intensive two-week summer workshop open to high school juniors and seniors with an interest in medicine and science; basic human anatomy and physiology courses for high school teachers; and specialized courses such as sports medicine and athletic training.

About one-half of AIMS faculty members hail from Saint Louis University, with the remaining faculty coming from Washington University and physicians in private practice.

"Many of our docs are in private practice, and they don't get the opportunity to teach," said Judy Moran, business manager for SLU's department of anatomy and neurobiology. "The workshop is a real thrill for them because they get the opportunity to share their knowledge with others. They definitely aren't in it for the money because AIMS courses are taught by volunteers."

A division of the department of anatomy and neurobiology, the practical anatomy workshop officially merged with the University in 1998. SLU, however, provided direction, facilities, expertise and specimens to the workshop almost

immediately following the first classes offered in St. Louis.

Begun in 1984, the practical anatomy workshop is the brainchild of Paul H. Young, M.D., clinical professor for the division of neurosurgery and the department of anatomy and neurobiology.

"Before the workshop, if a surgeon wanted to learn to use a new piece of equipment or try a new approach, he or she would often have to learn in an operating room," Young said. "I thought there had to be a better way for people to apply knowledge."

Young likens the workshop's environment to a fantasy baseball camp in which participants learn from major leaguers. "Physicians are working with

the world's most renowned surgeons," Young said. "They are using the best equipment. It's the ideal learning environment, so it produces congeniality. There's no stress, tension or anxiety at all."

"In private practice, physicians are very competitive," Wilson said. "But when physicians come here, it's very collaborative. It's like they are all in school together."

For more information, call 535-4000 or visit the Web at <http://pawslab.slu.edu>.

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Sue Wilson



On the Move

Congratulations to the following employees receiving promotions or transfers.

- Bernice Baker, to patient accounts representative for practice management operations
- Regenia Boldin, to coordinator for the office of the registrar
- Karen Brockland, to medical records coordinator for medical records
- Lynn Brown, to coordinator for the office of the registrar
- Shobha Chand, to medical records clerk for medical records
- Kevin Christisen, to program assistant for the department of pathology
- Sharon Dickerson, to senior patient coordinator for practice management operations
- Brian Dowell, to medical records clerk for medical records
- Peter Fox, to medical records clerk for medical records
- Tara Freese, to supervisor for the department of obstetrics, gynecology and women's health
- Darryl Garner, to building service worker for the department of residence life
- Maria Hein, to business manager for student development
- Benedict Hollerbach, to scheduling associate for the office of the registrar
- Sarah Jacquin, to medical records clerk for medical records
- Chris King, to assistant director for the School of Public Health
- Dean Marty, to manager of information systems for practice management operations
- Felisha McCaster, to registrar for the School of Law
- Natalie Nichols-Banks, to medical records clerk for medical records
- Cynthia Pugh, to medical secretary for the department of neurology
- Danielle Schaberg, to protective service officer for the department of public safety
- Lisa Thornton, to credentialing analyst for practice management operations
- Jason Vytlacil, to research assistant for the department of cardiology

Head of FAA coming to campus for discussion on aviation, airport safety

The head of the Federal Aviation Administration will discuss the effects of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and what's being done to keep the skies safe during an upcoming lecture.

FAA administrator Jane F. Garvey will speak at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 24, in the Bauman-Eberhardt Athletic Center. The event is free and open to the public.

Following the terrorist attacks, the government approved a new aviation security bill. At airports, the FAA implemented new measures, including limiting carry-on items and reducing access points. Additional federal air marshals were posted in aircraft. Yet are these changes enough to protect the flying public? What effect will they have on

the future of the airline industry? Garvey can answer these questions and more.

In addition to her talk, Garvey also will receive the Vanguard Award, an honor given by Parks College of Engineering and Aviation for outstanding contributions to aviation safety.

The 14th administrator of the FAA, Garvey was sworn in Aug. 7, 1997, as the first administrator confirmed by the U.S. Senate to a five-year term. As administrator, Garvey oversees the 49,000-person FAA, which regulates and oversees aviation safety and security and operates the world's largest air traffic control system.

For more information about the event, call 977-8203.



Garvey

Conference to tackle teaching techniques

Faculty members, academic advisers and others interested in improving teaching, learning and service for students are invited to the SLU2000 Inquiry Course Conference "Engaging Students in Learning: Techniques and Impact" from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, May 20, in Anheuser-Busch Auditorium, located in John and Lucy Cook Hall.

Topics on the conference agenda include connecting academic ideas with the real world; creating community in the classroom through collaborative learning; fostering student ownership of

learning; and writing across the disciplines.

In addition, faculty will discuss the qualities of a SLU2000 course and the impact on faculty and students. The conference will share pedagogical techniques applied in SLU2000 courses that have helped turn students into active learners and gotten students excited about subject material.

SLU2000 inquiry courses are small classes (no more than 19 students) for beginning undergraduates that are designed to fulfill core

requirements. The courses offer innovative pedagogy, increased interaction between faculty and students, increased collaboration among students, diverse activities and the opportunity for students not only to learn but also to apply their learning.

This is the second year this conference has been held.

To register for the conference or for more information, go to the conference Web page at <http://slu2000conference.slu.edu>.

If you have questions, contact Assistant Provost Julie Weissman by calling 977-2193 or e-mailing weissman@slu.edu.

Members of print and electronic media frequently call the University for experts on various topics in the news. Following are some recent highlights.



Dr. Mike Alderson (finance) was quoted in the *Corpus Christi (Texas) Caller-Times* in a story about how to read corporate financial information.

Erol Amon, M.D., (obstetrics, gynecology and women's health) was mentioned in *Skyline City Edition* (Chicago) for his installation as president of the St. Louis Medical Society.

Raul Artal, M.D., (obstetrics, gynecology and women's health) was quoted in *OB/GYN News* and *Child* magazine about new guidelines new guidelines on exercise and pregnancy proposed by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. Artal also was quoted on *washingtonpost.com* about exercise and pregnancy and was quoted in the *Leader Times* (Kittanning, Pa.), *Times Leader* (Martins Ferry, Ohio) and *Daily Record* (Parsippany, N.J.) about the importance of pregnant women exercising 30 minutes a day.

Benedict Ashley, O.P., (Center for Health Care Ethics) was quoted in the *Message* (Evansville, Ind.) and the *National Catholic Register* about using biotechnology positively to enhance and cultivate nature.

Robert Belshe, M.D., (infectious diseases) was featured on *www.money.com* and on the Journal of the American Medical Association's Web site regarding his research concerning the dilution of the smallpox vaccine. His research on the flu drug Tamiflu was featured in the *Reporter* (Tavernier, Fla.), *USA Today International* and *La Raza* (Chicago). He also was interviewed by the *Washington Post* regarding his clinical research with a nasal spray flu vaccine known as Flumist.

Richard Bucholz, M.D., (neurosurgery) was featured on the Discovery Channel for his innovations in computer-aided surgery.

Dr. Mark Buller (molecular biology) was interviewed by United Press International about research on a compound that might be used to produce a drug to treat smallpox.

Bernard Chaitman, M.D., (cardiology) was featured in the *Internal Medicine World Report* and the *Post-Tribune* (Gary, Ind.) regarding his research on ranolazine, a new drug that reduces pain and improves exercise performance in angina patients.

Dr. John Chibnall (psychiatry) was quoted in the *Internal Medicine World Report* about his

study regarding physicians addressing spirituality with patients. Aspects of his research also were featured in the *Daily Telegraph of London*.

Bruce Clements (Center for Bioterrorism and Emerging Infections) was interviewed by the Associated Press and live on National Public Radio regarding bioterrorism.

Jerome Cohen, M.D., (cardiology) was interviewed by National Public Radio, the *New York Times* and the *heart.org* regarding hypertension. The outlets were interested in a commentary Cohen wrote for the *Archives of Internal Medicine*. The article also appeared on the following Web sites: Medscape, Reuter's Healthcare, Forbes and Monday Morning Quarterback.

Dr. James DuBois (health care ethics) was featured in *Crisis Magazine* about how science is redefining death. The author refers to Dubois' research on people's perception of what constitutes death.

Dr. Margie Edel (nursing) was interviewed by *American Demographics Magazine* about new trends in nursing.

Dr. Greg Evans (Center for Bioterrorism and Emerging Infections) was interviewed by the *Atlanta Journal Constitution* regarding bioterrorism. He also was quoted in an article in the *AAMC Reporter*, the flagship publication of the American Medical Association.

Dr. James Fisher (marketing) was interviewed by the Associated Press for a story about how census information is used in the marketing field. He also was interviewed by the *New York Times*, the *Houston Chronicle* and by Hearst Newspapers about business ethics and the Enron scandal. Fisher also was interviewed by Contact Radio, concerning Enron. Contact Radio supplies programming to more than 400 radio stations around the country.

Dr. Louise Flick (nursing) and her study linking pregnant women who smoke with mental illness was mentioned in *Your Health Daily* (N.Y.), the *New London (Conn.)*, the *Providence (R.I.) Journal*, the *Daily Messenger* and the *Daily Journal* (both from Seneca, S.C.) the *Day* (New London, Conn.) and on WUBT-TV Channel 24 (Baltimore).

Dr. Randall Flanery (community and family medicine) was featured in the *Asbury Park Press* (Neptune, N.J.) regarding college students returning home for the holidays.

Scott Fosko, M.D., (dermatology) was interviewed by *Men's Health* on athlete's foot, sunburn and itching.

Sharon Frey, M.D., (infectious diseases) was featured in more than 14 newspapers regarding her return from Afghanistan with the humanitarian mission Relief International.

Dr. James Gilsinan (Public Service) was interviewed by the radio public affairs network, Contact Radio, concerning Enron. Contact Radio supplies programming to over 400 radio stations around the country.

Dee Anna Glaser, M.D., (dermatology) was interviewed on March 25 by *Redbook* magazine to offer tips for keeping skin looking great and to discuss sun problems that informed women don't recognize.

Thomas Greaney, J.D., (law) was quoted in *Black Enterprise* magazine about antitrust cases against large hospitals.

Ken Haller, M.D., (pediatrics) was interviewed by *The Advocate* magazine about allowing gay parents to adopt.

Steve Horack (risk management) was quoted in the *National Underwriter* about insurance brokers.

Derek Jinks, J.D., (law) was interviewed by *Time* for a story about a court case in which authorities want to administer drugs to a defendant that will make him competent to stand trial for a crime. He also was interviewed by the *Chicago Tribune* about trials for Taliban detainees being held in Cuba and by *Knight-Ridder* newspapers about the U.S. handling of these detainees from the war in Afghanistan.

Sandra Johnson, J.D., LL.M., (provost) was interviewed by *The National Jurist* magazine for a story about specialty law programs and how the new Pain and the Law Web site will benefit the law school's Center for Health Law Studies.

Dr. Tim Kusky (earth and atmospheric sciences) was interviewed by *Discovery Magazine* and *Scientific American* about plate tectonics and related issues.

Pat Lindsey (Public Health) was interviewed by *Smarthealth Magazine* about the 20 reasons people should quit smoking.

Drs. Tim Lomperis (political science) and Ken Warren (political science) were interviewed by the *Kansas City (Mo.) Star* about Jim Talent's appointment at Washington University.

Dr. Gerard Magill (Center for Health Care Ethics) was quoted in the *Cape Girardeau Southwest Missourian*, *Columbia (Mo.) Daily Tribune*, *Moberly (Mo.) Monitor Index*, *Camdenton (Mo.) Lake Sun-Leader*, *Sedalia (Mo.) Democrat*, *Trenton (Mo.) Republican Times*, and on the Web site *www.teamtulsa.com* regarding legislation banning gender dis-

crimination with in-vitro fertilization. He also was featured in an article in *Repository* (Canton, Ohio) on the ethics of stem-cell research. He also was interviewed by *OB/GYN News* about embryonic testing to detect the gene for early-onset Alzheimer's disease.

Dr. Charles Marske (sociology and criminal justice) was interviewed by the *Cleveland Plain Dealer* about incivility at sporting events and by the Associated Press about how fans deal with a team's loss.

John Morley, M.D., (geriatrics) was quoted in the *Boston Globe*, the *Burlington (Colo.) Record* and on *digitalmass.boston.com* regarding his study about senior adults losing their appetites. He also was quoted in *Senior Life* (Allen, Ind.) about his screening that detects the decline of testosterone among aging men.

Morley was interviewed by the *Star-Leger* (Newark, N.J.) about aging gracefully. He also was interviewed by *The Observer* about male menopause.

Dr. Gerald Parker (management) was quoted in the *Knoxville (Tenn.) News Sentinel*, *Corpus Christi (Texas) Caller Times*, *The Sun* (Bremerton, Wash.) and *TCPalm.com* about workers taking a mid-career leave from work.

Dr. Hailong Qian (economics) was quoted on the Web site *CNN Money* about economic challenges.

Saint Louis University research on the obstacles to exercise was quoted in the *Buffalo (N.Y.) News*, *St. Augustine (Fla.) Record*, *Los Angeles Times* and *Fort Worth (Texas) Star-Telegram*. In addition, an editorial stressing the importance of fitness in the *Herald* (Everett, Wash.) included the School of Public Health's study on exercise.

Saint Louis University's upcoming national Ignatian Spirituality Conference was mentioned in the *JesuitUSA News*, an online service of *Company Magazine*.

Dr. José Sánchez (history) and book *Pius XII and the Holocaust: Understanding the Controversy* were featured in a recent edition of the *Times Literary Supplement*.

Dr. Joanne Schneider (nursing) was quoted in the *Jewish Standard* (Teaneck, N.J.) and the *Napa Valley (Calif.) Register* about older adults and exercise programs.

Marc Shapiro, M.D., (trauma surgery) was quoted in the *Review-Atlas* (Monmouth, Ill.) and *www.firehouse.com* about Medicaid cutting back funding in the Metro East.

Dr. Tom Shippey (English)

was interviewed by *National Geographic* about J.R.R. Tolkien. He will be featured in two vignettes on the DVD release of the *Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring* movie. He also was featured in the *Topeka (Kan.) Capital-Journal* for a lecture he gave to the Mid-America Medieval Association there.

Joy Short (nutrition and dietetics) was interviewed by *Sauce Magazine* about child nutrition. She also was quoted in the *Athens (Ga.) Banner-Herald* about why foods are a better source of nutrients than diet supplements.

Raymond G. Slavin, M.D., (allergy and immunology) was mentioned in the *Community Times* (Florence, S.C.), *Ramsey Suburban News* (W. Patterson, N.J.), *Chicago Crusader*, *Times Leader* (Martins Ferry, Ohio) and *Omaha Star* regarding scholarships for athletes with asthma.

Nicolas Terry, LL.M., (law) was interviewed by the Associated Press, *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, *Indianapolis Star*, *Sacramento (Calif.) Bee*, *Newsday*, *Kiplinger Personal Finance Magazine* and *washingtonpost.com* about a Kansas City pharmacist who admits diluting cancer drugs and whether his victims should receive court-ordered compensation.

David Thomas, M.D., (geriatrics) was interviewed by *Nursing Home News* about his study on malnutrition among sick elderly patients.

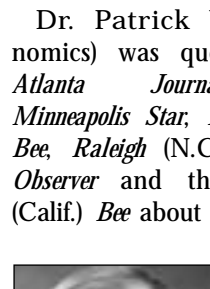
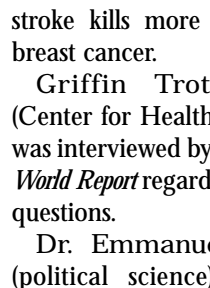
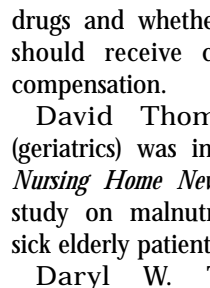
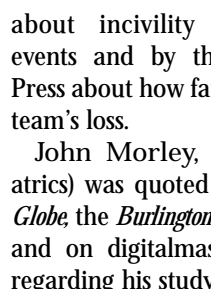
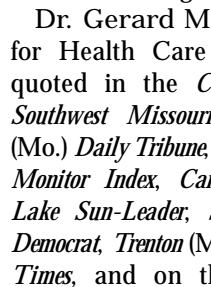
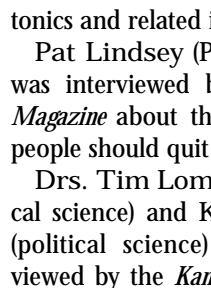
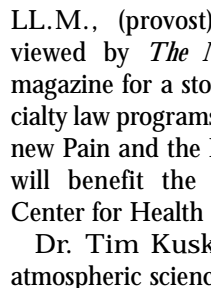
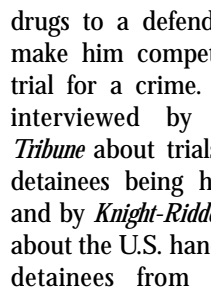
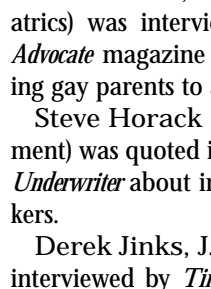
Daryl W. Thompson, M.D., (neurology) was quoted in *Senior Life* about the fact that stroke kills more women than breast cancer.

Griffin Trotter, M.D., (Center for Health Care Ethics) was interviewed by *U.S. News and World Report* regarding bioethical questions.

Dr. Emmanuel Uwalaka (political science) was interviewed by the BBC about elections in Zimbabwe.

Dr. Patrick Welch (economics) was quoted in the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, *Minneapolis Star*, *Fresno (Calif.) Bee*, *Raleigh (N.C.) News and Observer* and the *Sacramento (Calif.) Bee* about the recession and the St. Louis economy.

Robert Wilmott, M.D., (pediatrics) was mentioned in *M.D. News* for his election to the Cincinnati Pediatric Historical Society Hall of Honor.



Visit

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"The focus on outcomes is a common concern," said Dr. Bill Padberg, director of the BSSW program. "The commission wants to know how a school determines if it achieved its objectives and then how it utilizes feedback to improve."

The school spent three years working on a self-study in preparation for the visit. Material included volumes of syllabi, required appendices and other relevant information.

The self-study, the site team's recommendations and the school's response, which was completed in mid-April, will be reviewed by the commission, which will issue its recommendations on reaccreditation in July. CSWE accreditation lasts eight years.

"This process was a highly collaborative endeavor, and we appreciate everyone's contributions," Padberg said. "All faculty members were involved in the process, as were students, members from the community and practitioners."

NCA visit

The University hosted evaluators April 15-17 as a site team for the North Central Association visited campus.

In preparation for the visit, SLU prepared an institutional self-study report that follows the theme "A Decade of Renaissance." The report describes the state of the University and changes that have transpired during the last 10 years.

"The self-study is a form of assessment not only for the NCA but also for ourselves," said Dr. Ron Modras, professor of theological studies and chairman for

the steering committee preparing the self-study. "It's an opportunity not only to pat ourselves on the back, but also to examine SLU in all of its facets and identify where and how we can improve."

The University has been accredited by the NCA's Commission on Institutions of Higher Education since 1916. The NCA is one of six accrediting agencies in the United States that provide institutional accreditation on a regional basis.

For more information on the NCA visit, see the next issue of *Grand Connections* or visit the World Wide Web at www.slu.edu/nca.

NCAA process

The University also began a yearlong, campus-wide effort in February to study the athletics program as part of the NCAA Division I athletics certification program. Specific areas of the study are: academic and fiscal integrity, governance and rules compliance, as well as commitment to equity, student-athlete welfare and sportsmanship.

Following a pilot project, the Division I membership overwhelmingly supported a program for certification of intercollegiate athletic programs at the 1993 NCAA Convention. Saint Louis University completed its first certification self-study in 1997.

At the 1997 convention, the Division I membership voted to change the frequency of athletics certification from once every five years to once every 10 years and to require a five-year interim status report. The current self-study will be the second in the certification process for Saint Louis University.

Service

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College of Arts and Sciences;

Dr. Margie Edel, School of Nursing; Dr. Charles E. Ford, College of Arts and Sciences; Margie Faye Fritsch, School of Medicine; Patricia Galati, John Cook School of Business; Dr. James F. Gilsinan, College of Public Service; Jeanette Hazlett, School of Medicine; Dr. James P. Jennings, John Cook School of Business; John F. Kavanaugh, S.J., College of Arts and Sciences; Jeanene A. Kreevich, John Cook School of Business;

Joseph A. Lebb Jr., School of Medicine; Andrew J. Lonigro, M.D., School of Medicine; Hilda Diane Malloy, School of Nursing; Dr. Avis E. Meyer, College of Arts and Sciences; Terry L. Moore, M.D., School of Medicine; Dr. Robert W. Pasken, College of Arts and Sciences; Mary Ann Poitras, information technology services; Homer H. Schmitz, School of Public Health; Linda A. Sheahan, School of Medicine;

Gerilyn Nester Singer, John Cook School of Business; Stephen D. Smith, School of Law; Laura J. Stuetzer, Doisy School of Allied Health Professions; Helen M. Wells, School of Nursing; Mary I. Wendel, College of Public Service; Denise M. Woods, School of Law; Dr. Terry V. Zenser, School of Medicine.

30 Years

John R. Boyce, Center for Advanced Dental Education; Robert E. Burdge, M.D., School of Medicine; Su-Chiung Chen, M.D., School of Medicine; Jerome D. Cohen, M.D., School of Medicine; Dr. Gerald A. Fowler, College of Public Service; Roger L. Goldman, School of Law; Veronica M. Grace, human resource management; Dr. Paul J. Handal, College of Arts and Sciences; William J. Hutchison, S.J., School of Social Service; Alexander L. Mark, M.D., School of Medicine;

Louis A. Menard, mission and ministry; Francis M. Nevins, School of Law; Dr. Steven Puro, College of Arts and Sciences; Dr. Joan A. Range, College of Arts and Sciences; Josef Rohlik, School of Law; Irma S. Ruebling, Doisy School of Allied Health Professions; Dr. Mary F. Ruh, School of Medicine; Dr. John G. Severson Jr., College of Arts and Sciences; Dr. John A. Slosar Jr., School of Social Service; Dr. Vincent T. Spaziano, College of Arts and Sciences;

Dr. Larry M. Stacey, Parks College of Engineering and Aviation; Dr. Robert M. Stahl, College of Arts and Sciences; Lillian B. Whisenton, information technology services.

35 Years

Janice M. Doerhoff, School of Nursing; Coy D. Fitch, M.D., School of Medicine; Dr. Charles J. Fleener, College of Arts and Sciences; Carole Giese, School of Medicine; Dr. James F. Hitchcock, College of Arts and Sciences; Dr. Jean-Robert Leguey-Feilleux, College of Arts and Sciences; Doncella Luechtefeld, Pius XII Memorial Library; John B. Shields, M.D., School of Medicine; William F. Whealen Sr., College of Arts and Sciences.

40 Years

Benjamin F. Abell, College of Arts and Sciences; Dr. Raymond W. Freese, College of Arts and Sciences; Dr. Teresa H. Johnson, College of Arts and Sciences.

45 Years

Mary A. Bruemmer, mission and ministry; John E. Dunsford, School of Law; Dr. Maurice Green, School of Medicine.

UNIVERSITY

GRANTS

Martha Brennan (communication sciences and disorders) received \$44,199 from the Missouri Department of Health and Human Services to assess speech, language and hearing impairments in children who were low birth-weight infants.

Dr. Robert Herrmann (earth and atmospheric sciences) received \$20,000 from the University of Illinois for the Mid-America Earthquake Center.

Dr. Donna LaVoie (psychology) received \$27,095 from Missouri Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders to compare implicit memory function in Alzheimer's disease and cognitive impairment, no dementia (CIND).

Paul McLaughlin (aviation) received \$66,153 from the Federal Aviation Administration to conduct classes on digital avionic technology principles.

Dr. Julianne Rainbolt (mathematics and mathematical computer science) received \$74,982 from the National Science Foundation to develop and create a computer lab manual for an undergraduate abstract algebra class.

Dr. James C. Romeis (School of Public Health) received a three-year \$368,550 grant from the National Institute on Aging for the study "High-Risk Health Behaviors, Health Services Use and Aging."

Marc J. Shapiro, M.D., (surgery/trauma) received a two-year \$138,250 contract award from Apex Bioscience and PPD Development

LLC for the project "A Phase 3 Multicenter, Randomized, Placebo Controlled Study of PHP when Administered by Continuous Infusion in Patients with Shock Associated with Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome."

Dr. Dorota Skowrya (biochemistry and molecular biology) received a three-year \$716,694 grant from the American Cancer Society for the study "Targeting the SCF Ubiquitin Ligase and the Proteasome in Cancer."

Dr. Stuart Tsubota (biology) received \$138,410 from the National Institutes of Health to study the role of the enhancer of the rudimentary gene in growth and development.

Diane Villa (graduate student, psychology) received \$30,000 from Missouri Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders to evaluate the effectiveness of a memory skills training class for improving memory function in healthy older adults and older adults with cognitive impairment, no dementia (CIND).

Dr. Kate S. Wright (School of Public Health) received a five-year \$1,523,805 grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration for the project "Heartland Public Health Education and Training Center."

Dr. Robert B. Wysolmerski (pathology) received a five-year \$1,655,063 competitive renewal award from the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute for the study "Regulation of Endothelial Cell Isometric Tension."

BMC

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mation of the BMC, built in 1967, into a modern student and alumni center that will include a book store, florist, copy center, grand ballroom, lounges and other amenities. As part of the project, an enclosed breezeway will connect the

BMC to Kelley Auditorium.

"The expanded center will be large enough to host major events and provide a central focal point for campus extracurricular activities," said Kathy Humphrey, vice president for student development.

SLU students indicated their support for the student center project by passing a Student Government Association resolution in April 2001 to assess a student fee to help fund the renovation. Some funds for the renovation have come from donations.

Study

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Conventional wisdom holds that vaccination against smallpox will provide significant protection against the disease for at least 10 years. Study participants will be divided into two groups: people between 32 years of age and 60 years of age who were vaccinated against smallpox as children, and people between 18 and 32 years of age who were never vaccinated.

Frey said that volunteers in the trial who were previously vaccinated will have an equal chance of receiving undiluted vaccine, vaccine that has been diluted 3.2 times, vaccine that has been diluted 10 times or vaccine that has been diluted 32 times. One hundred percent of the people who were never vaccinated will receive undiluted vaccine.

Study participants will be healthy adults who don't have eczema or problems with their immune system. They should not have household or direct contact with anyone who is pregnant, has eczema or has any weakness in his or her immune system.

Saint Louis University expects to enroll 90 people in this study.

This is the third smallpox vaccine study undertaken at SLU and the second one since the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11. The prior studies both involved adults less than 32 years of age who had never been vaccinated against smallpox.

Graduate

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distinction along with SLU, which topped the list in 1991 and 1997. SLU ranked second on the list in 1992, 1994, 1996 and 1998.

SLU granted 117 doctoral degrees — third among Catholic universities — during the 2000 academic year and approximately 145 during 2001. Rankings have not been finalized for 2001.

"The quality of our graduate programs is directly related to our graduate faculty's commitment to excellence in teaching, research and service," Brennan said. "Although the same can be said for graduate education at other institutions, I believe we are distinctive in that the alumni satisfaction data also demonstrates the commitment of our faculty to our students and to the mission of Saint Louis University."

Dr. Richard Amelung (Omer Poos Law Library) was named to the task force to plan for the bicentennial celebrations of the American Association of Law Libraries. The celebration events will culminate at the association's 2006 annual meeting, which will be held in St. Louis. Amelung also was one of four presenters at the Institute on Basic Law Cataloging March 1-3 in Chicago. He led sessions on serials cataloging, authority control and cataloging electronic resources.

Michal Artal, M.D., (psychiatry) collaborated on an article about exercise reducing depression that appeared in the *East Lycoming Shopper and News* (Hughesville, Pa.).



Julie Birkenmaier and Dr. Marla Berg-Weger (Social Service) wrote "Good Habits of Highly Effective Practicum Students," which appeared in *The Field Placement Survival Guide: What Every Social Work Student Needs to Know*. Birkenmaier's "Promoting Social Justice During the Practicum" and "A Paid Practicum? Do I want one? How do I find one?" are included in the same publication.

Greg Branham, M.D., (otolaryngology) wrote a column on botox that appeared on the ABC News.com Web site.



Wendy Brown, M.D., (nephrology) wrote a column on kidney disease that appeared on the ABC News.com Web site.

John Buerck (School for Professional Studies - computer science technology), Asai Asaithambi (Parks College of Aviation and Engineering - computer science) and Donna Werner (Ethics Across the Curriculum) presented "Integrating Ethics into a Computer Science and Technology Curriculum: Challenges, Accomplishments and New Opportunities" for the third annual Conference for the Society for Ethics Across the Curriculum in Gainesville, Fla.

The co-directors of the Center for Health Law Studies are spending time this spring as visiting professors. Thomas Greaney, J.D., was the Merck Visiting Scholar in Residence at Seton Hall University College of Law in New York. Nicolas Terry, LL.M., is spending time in Australia, teaching the mini course "Emerging Issues in U.S., European and Australian Products Liability Law" to graduate law students at the University of Melbourne. Terry also will lead a seminar on teaching with technology and will speak to professional products liability groups.

Dr. Jeffery Clymer (English) received the 2002-03 Mellon

Postdoctoral Fellowship at the Wesleyan University Center for the Humanities in Middletown, Conn.

Dr. Thomas F. Curran (history) wrote "'On the Road to Dixie': A Missouri Confederate's Review of the Civil War at its Midpoint" for the *Missouri Historical Review*.

Dr. Richard H. Dees (philosophy) presented two talks in Rochester, N.Y.: "The Problem of Toleration" at the Rochester Institute of Technology and "Public Trust, Public Reason" at the University of Rochester.

Dr. Joachim Dorsch (earth and atmospheric sciences) presented a talk on "Event Deposits of the Davis Formation (Upper Cambrian) in Eastern Missouri" for the February meeting of the Eastern Missouri Society for Paleontology.

Dr. John Doyle (philosophy) wrote "On the Pure Intentionality of Pure Intentionality," which was published in the *Modern Schoolman*.

Dr. James Dubois (Center for Health Care Ethics) wrote an op-ed piece regarding organ donation that appeared in the *Chicago Sun-Times*, *Philadelphia Inquirer*, *Scranton Times* (Scranton, Pa.), *Santa Barbara* (Calif.) *News-Press*, *Tribune-Review/News Record* (Greensburg, Pa.) and the *Aiken* (Ohio) *Standard*.

Dr. Paul Garcia (modern and classical languages) delivered a lecture on "Analogues in Medieval Thought and the Arts" at Truman State University in Kirksville, Mo.

Dr. L. Cassandra Hamrick (modern and classical languages) was invited to present papers at two colloquia, which were held in Paris at the Maison Balzac and the German Center for the History of Art. The papers were "Baudelaire, Reader of Gautier's 'La Comédie de la Mort'" (Baudelaire, lecteur de "La Comédie de la Mort") and "Promenade in the Tuileries Gardens or 'pourquoi la sculpture est ennuyeuse.'"

David Harris, J.D., (law) wrote a column on racial profiling that appeared in the *Boston Globe*.

Ann Hayes (physical therapy) produced a monograph, "Lower Extremity Amputations for the Orthopedic Section of the American Physical Therapy Association."

Dr. Georgia Johnston (English) presented her paper "Paul Monette's Autobiographical Confessions" at the 20th Century Literature Conference. A longer version of the paper was published in *Biography*.

Dr. James H. Korn (psychology) was co-presenter of the workshop "Developing Your Teaching Philosophy and Style" March 23 at the annual meeting of the Southeastern Psychological Association in Orlando, Fla.

Dr. Bruce Kowert (chemistry) wrote the paper "Diffusion of Dioxygen in 1-Alkenes and Biphenyl in Perfluoro-n-alkanes" for *Chemical Physics Letters*. His co-authors are undergraduates Chantel Fuqua and Courtney Mapes, former undergraduates Kurt Sobush and Louis Seele III and former graduate student Nhan Dang.

Dr. Tim Kusky (earth and atmospheric sciences) gave the

seminar "Precambrian Plate Tectonics and Crustal Evolution" at Rutgers University.

Dr. Reuven Levary (decision sciences and MIS) and doctoral student Steve Owens co-wrote the paper "Evaluating the Impact of EDI on the Ingredient Supply Chain of a Food Processing Company," which was accepted for publication in *Supply Chain Management: An International Journal*.



Dr. Don Linhorst (Social Service) co-wrote "The Development and Implementation of a Program for Offenders with Developmental Disabilities" for *Mental Retardation*.

Drs. Brian Mitchell and Robert Herrmann (earth and atmospheric sciences) wrote "Earthquake Seismology at Saint Louis University — A 90-year Heritage of Research and Service," which was accepted for publication by the International Association of Seismology and Physics of the Earth's Interior for their *Millennium* volume. The report includes a complete list of publications by departmental faculty, students and visiting scientists between 1911-2001.

Drs. James Moore and Charles Graves (earth and atmospheric sciences), along with graduate students Sam Ng and Anthony Richey, attended the American Meteorological Society's 82nd annual Meeting in Orlando, Fla. Moore presented "An Identification of Factors Discriminating Significant and Extreme Heavy Rainfall Events" at the 16th Hydrology Conference, which was part of the annual meeting.

Five faculty members from the department of occupational science and occupational therapy will give presentations June 23-28 at the 13th World Congress of Occupational Therapists in Stockholm, Sweden. Melba Arnold will present "Psychosocial Occupational Therapy: A Preventive Measure for Student Violence in Schools." Diane Barnes will present "The Meaning of Workplace Discrimination for Women with Disabilities" and "Job Satisfaction and the Rehabilitation Professional — Part II." Karen Barney will present "Survey Research: Using the Brave New www." Barney and Jill Mueller will present "Reducing Hospitalizations of Older Adults via an Interdisciplinary 'Bridge to Home' Program." Claudia Hilton will present "Evolution and Current Status of OT Entry Level Master's Degree in the United States."

Dr. John Pauly (communication) has been asked by the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication to chair the task force on the status and future of the organization.

Betsy Primo (University marketing and communications) was one of 21 Missouri women in journalism recognized March 20 at a special awards ceremony at



BACK AT IT: Dr. Jianghai Li of Peking University (left) will spend a research sabbatical with Dr. Tim Kusky, professor of earth and atmospheric sciences at SLU. The visit is sponsored jointly by the International and Tectonics Divisions of the U.S. National Science Foundation and the Chinese Natural National Science Foundation and the Academy of Sciences. Last year, Kusky and Li reported the discovery of the world's oldest complete section of oceanic crust from northern China. Above, they brave the winter in China. (Photo courtesy of Tim Kusky)

the Missouri Capital rotunda. The honor came during the ninth annual DeVerne Lee Calloway Award ceremony and reception. Primo and her husband, Dave, also enjoyed a reception at the Governor's Mansion, where they had their photo taken with Missouri Gov. Bob Holden.

Dr. G.V. Rao (earth and atmospheric sciences) is being visited by three National Weather Service meteorologists: Roger Edwards from SPC in Norman, Okla., and Bart Hagemeyer and Scott Spratt from WFO Melbourne, Fla.

Dr. Jack Renard (theological studies) proposed a session on "Sufi Modes of Knowing" for the 2001 national meeting of the American Academy of Religion, at which he presented the paper "Experiential Knowledge of God in the Classical Sufi Manuals." Paulist Press has published *Understanding the Islamic Experience*, a revised version of his 1992 book originally titled *In the Footsteps of Muhammad*. Renard also wrote the article "Picturing Holy Places: On the Uses of Architectural Themes in Ornament and Icon," the fourth of a quartet of essays on religion and architectural themes, for *Religion and the Arts*.

Dr. Gretchen Salsich (physical therapy) wrote "The Effects of Patellar Taping on Knee Kinetics, Kinematics and Vastus Lateralis Muscle Activity During Stair Ambulation in Individuals with Patellofemoral Pain" for the *Journal of Orthopedic and Sports Physical Therapy*.

Dr. Donald Schreiweis and Rich Sanker (pre-professional health studies) attended the National Convention of Alpha Epsilon Delta. Schreiweis was elected to another two-year term as national treasurer.

Dr. William M. Shea (theological studies) delivered an



endowed lecture at the Center for Culture, Ethics and Religion at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Mass. The title of the lecture was "American Evangelicals and Catholics in the Brave New World."

Dr. Paaige K. Turner (communication) wrote "Wisdom, Eloquence and a Little Bit of Yourself: A Philosophy for Teaching" for *Communication Studies*. This volume is dedicated to essays from individuals who have received the Central States Outstanding Teacher Award.

Elaine Wilder (physical therapy) was elected for a two-year term as president of the women's health section of the American Physical Therapy Association during an APTA combined sections meeting in Boston. She presented "The Childbearing Year — Anatomical and Physiological Considerations" and "Physical Therapy Intervention for Fecal Incontinence in Four Visits" at the meeting. Mark Reinking (physical therapy) presented "Patellar Tendinopathy," and Dr. Margaret Herning and Ethel Frese (physical therapy) presented "Strength and Functional Abilities in Middle Age African-Americans" during the meeting. Wilder and Reinking will present "Taking Care of Your Back" at the annual SLU Care for Women conference to be held in June at the Ritz-Carlton hotel.

Dr. Gregory Wolf (modern and classical languages) has been



selected to participate in TrainDaf, which aims to build future leaders in German language education.

Funded through the German government, the program helps participants strengthen leadership skills, develop strategies for advocating German at all levels of instruction and deepen their understanding of Germany and the European Union. Participants also will learn more about the American Association of Teachers of German and the broader field of world languages.

Michael Yonan (fine and performing arts) read "Lacque des Indes/Lacque de Vienne: On Lacquered Wood in Maria Theresia's Vienna" at the 90th annual meeting of the College Art Association, held in Philadelphia.

FDC seeks sponsors, donations for "Pack'em Back to School" project

While many on school campuses are counting the days until the end of the school year, the staff at the Family Development Center is gearing up for an annual service project.

The FDC coordinates "Pack'em Back to School," a University-wide service project that provides children from low-income families with new clothing, shoes and school supplies for the start of the school year.

The project begins in the spring and culminates with delivery of more than 200 backpacks in three different communities during late August and early September.

During the first six years of this project, close to 1,300 children received encouragement and support from this initiative.

Saint Louis University students, faculty, staff and alumni can support this project in several ways.

Individuals, families or co-workers can sponsor one or more children. In early May, sponsors will receive an application completed by the child's

parent or guardian, along with a picture of the child they will sponsor. Participants then have until the end of July to purchase and turn in all items to the Family Development Center.

The total cost of sponsorship per child is approximately \$85-125, depending upon the age of the child.

Monetary donations also are accepted. These gifts go toward purchasing needed items for those children not individually sponsored. Checks can be made out to "SLU/Pack'em Back to School"

Opened in 1993 as a practicum site for graduate students in the department of counseling and family therapy, the Family Development Center has provided counseling to more than 640 clients during the past nine years. These services are available to anyone living in the St. Louis metropolitan area and are provided on a reduced fee scale.

For more information about contributing to the "Pack'em Back to School Project," call Mary Schmelter at 977-2505.



CONFERENCE CHAT: Missouri Attorney General Jeremiah "Jay" Nixon (right) was among the participants in the School of Law's Sarasohn Conference April 5. This year's conference, "Law Enforcement: New Approaches to Ensuring Police Accountability," examined racial profiling and police accountability issues in wake of the terrorist attacks Sept. 11. Above, Nixon chats with David A. Harris, a professor at the University of Toledo College of Law and a visiting professor at SLU. Harris discussed racial profiling laws from a national perspective during the event. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)

Parks will launch online master's degree this fall

Program will focus on aviation safety management

In light of the nation's growing concern for aviation safety, a new degree program at Saint Louis University is more important than ever.

This fall, Parks College of Engineering and Aviation will debut an online master of science degree in aviation safety management.

The Federal Aviation Administration now requires the airlines to employ directors who serve as aviation safety managers. However, until now, there weren't any master's-level degree programs available to train these managers.

"We designed the program's curriculum to follow the FAA requirements for top aviation safety managers," said Alan Stolzer, associate dean of Parks College.

The SLU program is the nation's first at this level to focus solely on the management aspects of designing and operating a safety program in the aviation industry. Although the program has been in the works for nearly four years, Parks officials realize that the program is especially relevant today.

The program also is unique because it will be offered completely online. Realizing that busy aviation professionals, such as an airline pilot on a layover, can't sit in a St. Louis classroom all day, Parks College officials designed a Web-based program to benefit aviation professionals across the nation.

"Our new program will be just as rigorous and as intensive as any classroom experience," said Dr. Charles Kirkpatrick, dean of Parks College of

Engineering and Aviation. "By using online education, we can reach even more people and provide the flexibility that the country's top aviation firms require," he said.

The new program targets aviation professionals who would like to move into top safety management positions. The course work isn't designed to provide hands-on training in specific aviation safety techniques. Instead, it focuses on broader aviation safety management issues — personal development, corporate culture and staffing issues — that make good managers.

Graduates will gain the ability to design, implement and manage aviation safety programs for their companies.

Many top people in aviation have been asking for this type of program, Stolzer said. SLU will also tap the expertise of aviation professionals as the program moves forward. Officials hope to enroll about 25 students for the first year, building up to about 100 students in the years ahead. It will take the average part-time student about two-to-three years to complete the degree.

To participate, students will have to fulfill several requirements. They must meet the requirements for entrance into SLU's Graduate School and provide relevant education transcripts, résumés, recommendations and references.

For more information about the new degree program, call 977-8251, or e-mail seatsda@slu.edu.



Kirkpatrick

UNIVERSITY CONDOLENCES

Sean-Thomas Morrissey, an employee of the University for more than 30 years, died Wednesday, March 6, 2002. He was 59.

A former seismic field engineer for the department of earth and atmospheric sciences, Mr. Morrissey spent all of his student and professional years at SLU, obtaining his bachelor's degree in 1964 and joining the department of earth and atmospheric sciences in 1969. He retired in September 2001.

"He was innovative, warm and interesting — a unique personality who will be sorely missed by many friends and colleagues," said Dr. Brian Mitchell, professor for the department of earth and atmospheric sciences.



For his first assignment, Mr. Morrissey installed an NSF-funded strainmeter, which measured Earth tides in a mid-continent environment. The instrument became the first of its kind to operate successfully in the central United States.

The project was the first of many on seismological and earth-deformation instrumentation for Mr. Morrissey. Later projects included the design and installation of the first telemetered station of the World Wide Standard Seismograph Network (1972-1974); the establishment of the first telemetered network to monitor microearthquakes in the New Madrid seismic zone (1974); the development of installation procedures that would allow bubble tiltmeters to reliably measure small tilts of the Earth's surface (1976-1980); and the installation of a broadband seismographic station with a fiber-optic link to the surface deep inside Cathedral Cave at Onondaga State Park (1989).

Mr. Morrissey's innovative solutions to problems and his skill with instruments in the field attracted much attention from both the seismological and geodetic communities, and he was invited to participate in several cooperative projects in the United States and abroad.

"On the personal side, Sean was extremely friendly and helpful, and he formed lasting friendships with many SLU graduate students and scientific colleagues," Mitchell said. "He

was generous with his time when people needed help, and he could often be found patiently explaining difficult instrumentation concepts with clarity and enthusiasm. He was a source of inspiration for those confronting technically difficult projects, as well as for those just trying to learn about seismic instrumentation."

Mr. Morrissey is survived by his mother, seven sisters, a brother and several cousins, nephews and nieces.

Dr. William Miller, professor emeritus of history, died March 21, 2002, at St. Mary's Health Center. He was 76.

Dr. Miller grew up in St. Louis, attended Saint Louis University High School and Saint Louis University and received his doctorate at the University of California-Berkeley. He taught history at SLU from 1960-1994. After retiring, he continued to teach courses at SLU in an advanced business degree program.

Dr. Miller enjoyed teaching, music and baseball. He wrote several textbooks and collaborated with Bob Broeg on a book about baseball. He also was a member of the choir at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis for many years.

He is survived by his wife, Irene; his stepchildren, John (Jo) Moody of Mansfield, Mo., Martha (Kevin) Schuler of Webster Groves and Jane Moody of Richmond, Va.; and six grandchildren.

Condolences also are extended to the following

- Linda Stevenson, senior secretary for the department of counseling and family therapy, on the death of her mother, Mary R. Hoefener, Feb. 23.

- Mary Alice Kauling, senior department administrator for the department of pharmacological and physiological science, on the death of her sister, Jane M. Mann, March 6.

- Dr. Gary J. Northam, chairman for the department of aviation science at Parks College of Engineering and Aviation, on the death of his mother, Pearlene Northam, March 12.

- Larry Fletcher, manager of UMG support services, on the death of his father, Robert L. Fletcher, March 13.

- Andrew J. Lonigro, M.D., professor and director of clinical pharmacology for the department of pharmacological and physiological science, on the death of his mother, Mrs. Joseph Lonigro, March 18.



Inquiring Photographer

What is your favorite spot on campus?

"The new mall by the Learning Resources Center with the fountain and with all the nice, new trees and plants they put out there."
— Sally Ward, registrar, School of Medicine



"My favorite spot is the new fountain in front of the Learning Resources Center at the Health Sciences Center."
— Susan Aslin, administrative assistant, student affairs, School of Medicine

"My favorite spot on campus is Earhart Hall."
— Stephen Magoc, aviation specialist/professor, department of aerospace technology



"I like the fountain by the clock tower."
— Dr. Martin Nikolo, professor, department of physics

"The landscaping outside Cook Hall. It is very relaxing and comfortable. It is very beautiful in the summer with all of the plants, as well in the winter with the snowfall."
— Christine Rogers, executive secretary, John Cook School of Business



"Where the river runs through the campus in front of Cook Hall."
— Ben Asen, professor, department of theological studies

At-risk family runs for (not from) health issues

Campus Recreation swim class helps SPH instructor prepare for Kona Marathon

Katie Duggan will chase irony for 26.2 miles this summer. An instructor for the School of Public Health, Duggan manages the school's prevention research center. The facility helps people in the Midwest, especially those in underserved rural areas, live healthier lives.

The center's efforts in promoting healthy habits and identifying the risk factors of chronic diseases have made a difference for many. Yet those closest to Duggan have struggled with health issues, and an alarming number have lost their lives to cardiovascular disease.

Both of Duggan's paternal grandparents passed away as a result of strokes. Her mother, Becky, died at age 60 after a sudden heart attack last year. Duggan's father, Dale, suffered two strokes during the summer of 1999 and now lives in an assisted living facility. Not wanting her 33-year-old brother Charlie to succumb to the same fate, Duggan convinced him to join her in training for the Kona Marathon. "I promote health for a living, and I knew I needed to start working on my family," Duggan said.

Slated for June 23 in Kona, Hawaii, the marathon will benefit the American Stroke Association, a division of the American Heart Association. The event — which will raise funds for stroke research, education and prevention — has had an immediate impact on the Duggans. Charlie has lost more than 50 pounds since the training program began Dec. 16, thanks to rigorous training and participation in local events such as the St.

Patrick's Day race, a five-mile warm-up for this summer's festivities, and the St. Louis half-Marathon April 14.

"I dragged him into it at the start," Katie Duggan said. "And it was a torturous time because it was right before the holidays. But I was afraid he could be the next casualty."

Heart disease is the leading cause of death and disability for men and women in the United States. Strokes rank third on the list. Duggan said most people don't realize the two share a close connection. "A stroke is the same thing as a heart attack," she said. "It just takes place in the brain instead of in the heart."

Inspired by reasons both professional and personal, Duggan is hoping to lead the ASA's fund-raising efforts in St. Louis for the marathon.

Approximately 40 people from the area will participate in the "Train to end Stroke" fund raising and marathon event. So far, "Team Duggan" has raised \$6,000 toward its goal of \$10,000.

"I'm committed to this because I know it will help families going through the same things I did," said Duggan, a first-time marathoner who credits campus recreation with keeping her focused and molding her into marathon-caliber shape.

Duggan began swimming in a campus recreation class because she had experienced bad tendonitis after training for a sprint triathlon last summer. She has remained in the class as part of her cross-training regimen, which usually includes four days of running and two days of swimming per week.

"I've participated for two semesters now, and it's been a wonderful experience," Duggan said. "It's really helped me build my endurance."

Now that she has her brother in line, Duggan encourages members of the University community who may be at risk for cardiovascular disease to take

advantage of health improvement opportunities on campus.

Campus recreation offers a conditioning swimming class during the fall and spring semesters. The class meets for an hour — usually around lunch — on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Hossien Dastgah, director of campus recreation, teaches the class, which costs \$50 a semester. Dastgah said the class, which includes students, faculty, staff and alumni, provides a unique opportunity for socializing at SLU. Duggan agrees.



Katie Duggan will run the Kona Marathon this summer in memory of her mother and in honor of her father. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)

"The people in the class have really supported me," Duggan said. "It's a great mix of people."

Most socialization occurs after the class, however, because participants swim approximately 4,000 yards in one hour. "Everyone in the class kind of laughs at themselves because we let Hossien torture us basically," Duggan joked. "But really, he's been absolutely wonderful."

A former Olympic trainer, Dastgah remains committed to helping people get healthy. "Helping people change their lives for the better is what motivates me and keeps me going," Dastgah said.

For more information on classes, call 977-3181. To make a donation or for information on the ASA, call 977-8121.

Group names its Women of the Year

The women's commission has honored five members from the University community as the 2002 Women of the Year.

The commission currently honors an administrator, faculty member, professional staff member, support staff member and student. Given since 1978, the award recognizes the outstanding contributions of women to the University.

This year's winners are Dana Underwood, associate dean for the School of Law; Mary Fran Ernst, associate professor for the department of pathology; Lori Flanagan, associate director for athletics; Anita Suzanne Poole, executive secretary for the College of Arts and Sciences; and April Weiss, a senior majoring in elementary education.

The award-winners for 2001

were: Dr. Susan C. Tebb, dean of the School of Social Service; Mary E. Case, M.D., co-director of forensic pathology and professor of pathology; Teri R. McCarthy, director of the employee assistance and employee health programs; Mary Beth Erickson, administrative assistant to the vice president for mission and ministry; and Erin Nealon, a senior in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Gallagher named project director for VOICES

Dr. Mary Beth Gallagher has been hired as project director for the SLU project Vocation: Interiority, Community and Engaged Service. (VOICES).

Funded by a \$1.93 million grant from the Lilly Endowment, this project will encourage students to reflect on faith, value commitments and service to others when choosing careers. VOICES has two primary goals: to create resources that help students

develop leadership qualities in light of their faith commitments and spirituality, and to enhance faculty and staff expertise through retreats and professional development opportunities.

Gallagher comes from the School of Social Service, where she served as director of the Doerr Center for Social Justice Education and Research. She also served as administrator of a large grant from the National Institute of Mental Health.