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3 major projects moving forward

Research building is part of largest building project in University history

Saint Louis University trustees have authorized the SLU administration to proceed with the design and site selection for a new research center at the Health Sciences Center — part of an \$80 million investment in new and renovated research space. This is the largest single building project since the University's founding in 1818.

Last spring, University President Lawrence Biondi, S.J., had identified the new research center as his top priority. The building has been in the planning stages for several years.

"The need for a dedicated research facility became apparent as external funding for SLU research expanded greatly during the past decade," Biondi said. "The new research building will provide state-of-the-art facilities for health sciences research that will touch lives and provide service to the community, and it will enhance our ability to recruit and support new research-oriented faculty."

"In addition, this major investment by SLU is another significant step in the rebirth of

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Design/construction team selected for proposed Saint Louis University arena

Saint Louis University has selected a team headed by St. Louis firm Alberici Constructors to design and build the University's proposed new arena in Midtown St. Louis.

Alberici will partner with the architectural firm Mackey Mitchell Associates, and sports architectural firm Sink Combs Dethlefs to design and build the 13,000-seat arena.

The Alberici team will go for-

ward with site analysis, schematic design and other preliminary design work to put an actual price on the project that is still contingent on raising an estimated \$45 million in private donations.

"We had three very strong firms submit proposals to lead the design and construction of this exciting project for SLU, and it was a dif-

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Brady



Crews from Clayco Construction Co. use a 100-plus-ton crane to lift a 32-foot, 22,000-pound steeple to the top of Busch Student Center's southwest corner on June 19. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)

Departments preparing for move into BSC

The opening of Busch Student Center means moving day for many departments at Saint Louis University.

Starting July 15, University departments and student organizations will move from various locations around campus into the newly renovated student center.

Lee Hahnel, the project manager for design and construction of the building, said BSC is right on track.

"Once the University departments and organizations are settled, we plan to start moving furniture into the lobby. We are planning for this to happen by July 24," Hahnel said. "As of Aug. 11, we hope to have every retail operation open so the students can come back to an up-and-running student center."

Student development business administration, event services, student life and the Center for Leadership and Community Service will be the first departments to relocate. Once the University receives an occupying permit from the city, the other 13 organizations will be assigned a move-in date.

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SLU named among 'Best Places to Work'

A recently launched University program aims to shorten the commute of SLU employees, help them afford a home and encourage development in Midtown. No wonder SLU recently received recognition from the *St. Louis Business Journal* as one of the best places to work in St. Louis.

This is the second time Saint Louis University has made the *Business Journal's* "Best Places to Work" list. In 2000, the publication honored SLU for its diversity, unique culture and commitment to service. This year, the University was honored in the "Best Practice" category — the only institution

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James and Laura Kelhoffer plan to move into a newly constructed townhome on McPherson Avenue after participating in the Hometown SLU program. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)

Smith wins Ring Award

The director of Saint Louis University's honors program has received a prestigious honor of his own. Dr. Duane Smith has been named as recipient of the 2003 Nancy McNeir Ring Award. He accepted the honor during precommencement exercises for the College of Arts and Sciences May 16.



Smith

heard the news," said Smith, an assistant professor of English and a SLU faculty member since 1991. "I think I might still be in shock. This is such a wonderful surprise and completely humbling."

Presented annually since 1966, the award recognizes an outstanding faculty member as

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PRESIDENT

SLU owes profound gratitude to its trustees

When I accepted the position as Saint Louis University's president, many factors influenced my decision. On one hand, I would be moving away from my hometown, my family and my Jesuit community at Loyola University Chicago. I would be leaving my colleagues at Loyola — people I had come to know as dear friends while serving as a professor and dean there during a period of nearly 20 years.

But on the other hand, the presidency at SLU offered an exciting personal challenge and a chance to lead a prestigious institution, the second oldest Jesuit college or university in the United States — a University poised for excellence. Faced with this life-altering choice, I was comforted by the words of Isaiah 30:21: "Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you saying, 'This is the way; walk in it.'"

After spending considerable time in prayerful reflection, I knew that I would be following God's call by coming to SLU. But the decision was also made much easier because I was confident — even before my inauguration — that I could utilize my talents in helping to advance SLU as a premier institution of higher learning. This revelation didn't originate from divine sources; it was grounded in the reassuring fact that the members of SLU's governing body, the board of trustees, had the same hopes and dreams for the University as I did.

How did I know this? I actually first joined the SLU family as a trustee in 1983. Board members are charged with ensuring that the president and his administration keep SLU moving forward. It was in this role that I gained an understanding and appreciation of the possibilities and challenges for SLU. It was here that I noticed a profound respect for SLU's Jesuit, Catholic mission and a deep affection for the University among the trustees — traits that remain major strengths of our board to this day.

As many of you know, SLU became the first major Catholic institution to enlist a lay board, doing so in 1967. At that time, in the spirit of Vatican Council II's lay recognition and collaboration with the Church, SLU Jesuit trustees recognized that such a board was needed to help maintain the health and long-term well-being of the University amid a challenging climate in higher education. And despite the decision to move away from an all-Jesuit board, our heritage and traditions have remained a cornerstone of a SLU education and a primary motivation of the board.

Thanks to early trustees such as Eunice Kennedy Shriver, Roy Wilkins, August A. Busch Jr., Ellen Conant, Jerome Tegeler, Joseph Ruwitch, Ruth Bettman and Edward J. Walsh Jr. — as well as many women and men who have followed them — SLU's mission has flourished since the landmark decision in 1967. Indeed, during the past three decades, SLU has been blessed with strong, committed chairpersons of the board like Daniel Schlafly (first lay chairman, 1967-78), Louis Fernandez (1978-83), William H.T. Bush (1983-91), Michael F. Shanahan Sr. (1997-99) and J. Joseph Adorjan (1991-97, 1999-present).

Today's board, likewise, is a diverse group representing important civic and business institutions. Some trustees, such as Robin Smith, Charles Drury Sr., Rex Sinquefeld, Francine Katz, Richard Mark and Eva Frazer are business leaders, entrepreneurs, bankers and health care professionals. Others are priests, attorneys, and presidents of colleges or corporations. But all of our trustees share one thing in common: they are all visionaries. All are an inspiration, and each cares deeply for Saint Louis University. Our trustees are renowned for their expertise, and SLU looks to them for their valuable opinions, insight and support. As I knew from the start of my presidency, SLU is in good hands thanks, in large part, to their dedication and guidance.

That is especially comforting because today's board also operates during challenging times. I know from firsthand experience that service as a trustee is not an easy task. It requires an uncanny ability to see beyond the immediate and plan for contingencies that may appear years — even decades — down the road. Trusteeships require impartial wisdom coupled with an affinity for our Jesuit and Catholic identity and the deepest regard for the formation of our students. Indeed, being a trustee means sometimes challenging the status quo and making hard choices.

Our board has been a part of some tough decisions during my presidency, including the relocation of Parks College of Engineering and Aviation and the sale of our former hospital. And recently, the board has approved two monumental and historic projects, allowing SLU to

proceed with plans for a research building and for an arena.

Indeed, our board has been instrumental in our successes during the past 16 years. Thanks to the guidance of trustees like Barry Beracha, Tony Novelty, W. Michael Ross, David Darnell and Sandra VanTrease, our endowment has grown substantially, and our commitment to fiscal responsibility has put us on solid ground. Our commitment to high academic standards and achievements has blossomed due to the direction of trustees John Bray, Doug Marcouiller, S.J., Dennis Donnelly, E. Edward Kinerk, S.J., James Smith and John Padberg, S.J. At the same time, trustees such as James Knapp, S.J., Nancy Siwak and James Burshek, S.J., have focused on the issues of key importance to student development and campus life.

We've benefited from the technical expertise of Gerald Daniels, John Alberici and Oliver Boileau in matters relating to our information technology infrastructure, as well as J. Kim Tucci and Thomas Brouster who provide leadership in human resources planning. Others such as Andy Alexander, S.J., Joseph Hasten, Thomas Noonan and Daniel White, S.J., have assured that service and mission-related opportunities for SLU students, faculty and staff remain strong. The physical improvements to our St. Louis campus, though astounding on their own, happened in large part due to the leadership of trustees like Kenneth Teasdale, Richard Baron, Richard Buhler, S.J., Robert Clark, John Cook, Mary Longrais, Paul Lorenzini and Michael O'Keefe.

And now we are planning to add two key components. A research building will allow us to secure even more research dollars and attract top faculty members. A new arena will help to increase school spirit, to recruit talented student-athletes, and allow us to host numerous events on campus, including commencements, concerts and conferences.

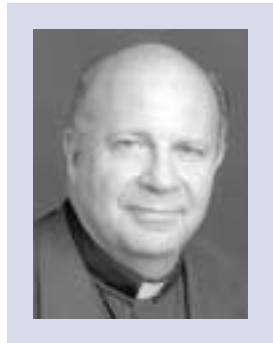
These achievements are truly remarkable considering the climate of higher education today. During a time when many public and private educational institutions are in financial trouble — forced to cut back on academic programs, benefits, as well as scholarships and aid — SLU continues to add valuable facilities, services and programs to the overall educational experience.

Although Saint Louis University owes its gratitude to countless students, faculty, staff, alumni, parents, benefactors and corporations for our many successes, the work of our trustees often goes largely unnoticed. Perhaps it is because we, as employees of Saint Louis University, are responsible for the day-to-day endeavors that make this University so great. But we must not forget that our board is here to help us set the stage for SLU to succeed.

Our trustees also are deeply involved with the "hands-on" dimensions of our mission. Joe Adorjan, current chairman of the board, always seems to be on campus and can be found at nearly every important University event. He also has done a tremendous job of fostering a relationship with the external community on behalf of SLU, serving as chairman for the board of Grand Center Inc. Michael F. Shanahan Sr., trustee emeritus and former board chairman, is leading the fund-raising effort for the arena. He and his wife, Mary Ann, along with trustee Thomas Brouster Sr. and his wife, Ruth, have pledged \$1 million to the arena project. Trustees Joseph Hasten, vice chairman of corporate banking for U.S. Bancorp, and Thomas Noonan, vice chairman of Commerce Bank, have helped SLU turn an employer-assisted housing program into a reality. Oliver Boileau, and his wife, Nan, have been leaders in our efforts to integrate the arts on campus. Trustee John Pruellage has been instrumental in leading his *alma mater* in its five-year, \$300 million comprehensive campaign, serving as co-chairman for the biggest fund-raising effort in University history.

As you can see, our board members generously give their time, talent and treasure to our beloved University. Indeed I could share such a story about each of the remarkable people who serve as members of our board.

I would like to thank all of the trustees over the years who have served Saint Louis University for their impeccable example of what it means to be "women and men for others." Their efforts have truly helped to establish SLU as a place where knowledge touches lives — a place well on its way to fulfilling its destiny of becoming the finest Catholic university in the nation.

Human Resources FYI

Q: I caught a cold and took two sick days. My second sick day was the day before a holiday. Do I still get paid for the holiday?

A: To be eligible to receive holiday pay, staff members are required to be in a paid status the workday preceding and the workday following the holiday. An approved vacation day or an absence due to illness is considered a day worked for purposes of holiday pay eligibility. However, a doctor's statement may be required in these instances.

UPCOMING ISSUE: The next issue of *Grand Connections* is scheduled to be on the stands Thursday, Aug. 21. The deadline for submissions is Thursday, Aug. 7.

CORRECTION: In the May issue, Dr. Bjong Wolf Yeigh, the new dean for Parks College, was identified as assistant provost of science and technology at Harvard. He actually held that post at Yale. We regret the error.



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New anthrax vaccine to be tested for first time at SLU

Researchers at Saint Louis University's Center for Vaccine Development and its clinical research organization, SoLUtions, are preparing to conduct a human study of a new investigational vaccine to protect against anthrax.

VaxGen Inc., a California-based biotechnology company, is sponsoring the vaccine development and study through an accelerated program funded by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, a division of the National Institutes of Health.

"The goal is to develop a vaccine with better protection, an improved safety profile and a simpler dosing schedule," said Geoffrey J. Gorse, M.D., principal investigator for the study and professor of internal medicine at Saint Louis University. "The vaccine candidate we are studying contains only a single non-infectious protein, so it cannot cause anthrax."

Gorse said a total of 100 healthy volunteers, ages 18 to 40 years old, will be recruited for the study at four medical centers around the country. As many as 25 will be enrolled in St. Louis. The SoLUtions clinical research staff of Saint Louis University will provide volunteer recruitment and subject management.

Anthrax, caused by a spore-forming bacteria, is an ancient disease of animals and humans. Domestic sheep, cattle, goats and wild herbivores have been frequent victims of the disease. Those who handle infected animals also are at risk.

Anthrax may be suitable for use in biological weapons because of the ease of spore production, the stability of the anthrax spores and the ability to aerosolize them. In 2001, five people were killed by inhaling anthrax spores sent through the U.S. mail, spurring the U.S. government to develop an improved anthrax vaccine. In humans, anthrax infection takes three basic forms: cutaneous, gastrointestinal and inhalational.

"The most common form is cutaneous anthrax, accounting for greater than 95 percent of the cases," Gorse said. "In these cases, infection occurs through a skin cut or abrasion. If untreated, 10 to 20 percent of cases could be fatal."

Gastrointestinal anthrax, very uncommon in humans, is contracted by the ingestion of meat contaminated with *Bacillus anthracis*. The course of the disease includes acute gastroenteritis, abdominal pain and bloody diarrhea. Left untreated, gastrointestinal

anthrax may have a fatality rate of up to 60 percent.

"Inhalational anthrax is the most fatal form, though very rarely encountered, with fewer than 100 naturally occurring cases reported worldwide each year," said Robert Belshe, M.D., director of the Center for Vaccine Development. "Left untreated, the fatality rate is almost 100 percent for inhalational anthrax."

Although the current anthrax vaccine has been shown to be effective in preventing cutaneous anthrax, its dosing schedule and the need for annual boosters are cumbersome. The vaccine candidate being studied at SLU is designed to require only three injections.

Volunteers in the trial will be divided into four groups of 25. Within each subgroup, 20 of the 25 volunteers will receive VaxGen's investigational anthrax vaccine in one of four different dosing levels; the remaining five will receive the currently licensed anthrax vaccine, Anthrax Vaccine Adsorbed (BioThrax). All volunteers will be compensated for participating in the study.

For more information about participating in this trial, call Susan E. Hillyard, SoLUtions' clinical research coordinator, at 977-7530 or the SLUCare call center at 268-5880.



Employee Spotlight

Name: Denise Porter

Position: housekeeping staff

Born: March 1, 1980, in St. Louis

Words that describe me: hard-working, kind and outgoing

For one day, I'd like to trade places with: Bill Gates.

If I couldn't have my present job, I'd like to be a lawyer.

Favorite vacation spot: Atlanta

Song that encourages me: anything by Yolanda Adams

Favorite CD: anything by Wyclef

Favorite television shows: *Jerry Springer*, *Friends* and *Judge Mathis*

Favorite foods: chicken, barbecue

Favorite sports teams: Rams and Blues

Best advice your mother ever gave you: You can't miss something you never had.

My fondest childhood memory: going to Six Flags

Guilty pleasure: candy

A good movie I've seen lately: *Evil Never Dies*

What hobbies do you enjoy in your spare time? playing cards, jumping rope and going to the movies

Best career move: working for SLU

Someday I hope to: travel outside of St. Louis for more than a week.

Proudest moment: my first job at Busch Stadium

Something that remains a mystery to me is: men.

A good way to relieve stress is: talking on the phone.

Words to live by: Enjoy every day because you never know when it could be your last.



University professor wins national award

Robert B. Belshe, M.D., Adorjan professor of infectious diseases and director of the Center for Vaccine Development, received the Clinical Virology Award for 2003 from the Pan American Society for Clinical Virology.

The award, sponsored by Bion Enterprises, is given annually to an individual whose contributions to clinical virology have had a major impact on the epidemiology, treatment or understanding of the pathogenesis of viral diseases.

"This honor recognizes the entire vaccine center for its contribution to science and health through hard work on the smallpox vaccine, new nasal spray influenza vaccine, progress on HIV vaccine development and herpes vaccine research to name a few highlights," Belshe said.

Belshe is a nationally known

expert in childhood and adult vaccine research. He serves on the Prevention and Treatment Subcommittee of the Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Research Review Committee at the National

Institutes of Health. He has co-authored more than 150-peer-reviewed articles on a variety of topics — HIV and AIDS, smallpox, respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), influenza, pertussis — which

have appeared in distinguished journals such as the *New England Journal of Medicine* and the *Journal of the American Medical Association*.

Belshe is a Fellow of both the Infectious Diseases Society of America and of the American Academy of Microbiology. He earned his bachelor's degree in chemistry at the College of William and Mary and received his medical degree at the University of Illinois School of Medicine.



Belshe

New federal tax cut takes effect this month

Thanks to a new tax law signed on May 28, most Saint Louis University employees are getting more money in their paychecks. New withholding tables incorporate lower tax rates for employers to use when calculating federal income tax to withhold from paychecks.

The new law extends the 10-percent withholding rate to cover the first \$7,000 of taxable income for single persons, and \$14,000 for married couples. It also lowers the tax rates above 15 percent to 25, 28, 33 and 35 percent. This is a drop of 2 percentage points for each rate except the top one, which went down 3.6 points.

The new law also raises the standard deduction for married

couples to \$9,500 and extends their 15 percent tax rate to \$56,800 of taxable income. Each amount is twice the amount for single taxpayers. The changes reduce the "marriage penalty," the difference between the taxes couples pay and the amount they would have paid as two single persons.

Each faculty and staff member is urged to review his or her Federal Withholding Allowance Certificate (IRS Form W-4) to ensure information is accurate.

Current information, including federal withholding, and a new tax form — which may be printed, completed and submitted to the payroll office — are available at WebPro in the payroll services section.



TAKING THEIR PLACE IN THE WORLD: Approximately 1,800 students graduated from Saint Louis University during annual commencement exercises May 17 at Savvis Center. The graduating class was larger than those in recent years. Last year, 1,508 students graduated from SLU. Bill McClellan, a St. Louis Post-Dispatch columnist, was the commencement speaker. Those receiving honorary degrees were Frank Reale, S.J., provincial of the Jesuits of the Missouri Province; Martin L. Mathews, co-founder of St. Louis' Mathews-Dickey Boys' and Girls' Club; and Emily Rauh Pulitzer, founder and president of the Pulitzer Foundation for the Arts. (Photo by Kevin Lowder)

NEW OFFICERS: The Faculty Senate elected new members to its executive committee at its April 22 meeting. Members took office at the end of the meeting.



Breslin

Newly elected members include Dr. Richard D. Breslin, College of Public Service, president; Dr. Miriam E. Joseph, Pius XII Memorial Library, member; and Carol Needham, School of Law, member. Returning officers include Randy S. Sprague, M.D., School of Medicine, past president; Jeanne M. Donnelly, Doisy School of Allied Health Professions, secretary; John M. Griesbach, School of Law, member; and Dr. John A. Slosar, School of Social Service, member. For more information about the Faculty Senate and its activities, visit www.slu.edu/organizations/fs/.

NEW PRESCRIPTION: Walgreens Health Initiatives (WHI) will be the new pharmacy benefits manager for all Saint Louis University health plans beginning Tuesday, July 1. WHI is a full-service pharmacy benefit management company that focuses on care and has a nationwide network of nearly 55,000 participating pharmacies, including Walgreens, Wal-Mart, Osco, K-Mart, Target and many other chains and independent pharmacies. For more information, visit www.slu.edu/services/HR/benefits_medical.html.

BOOK IT: The Saint Louis University Bookstore is preparing for the move to Busch Student Center, and its staff needs your help in carrying a complete line of faculty-written books. The bookstore is updating its faculty author trade book section. SLU educators should submit any publications they would like carried. Submit title suggestions to

bksustlouis@bncollege.com, attention "trade book."

GET COOKING: Gather your colleagues, your friends and your family to live out the Jesuit mission by serving others in your community. The Saint Louis University Campus Kitchen needs volunteers to deliver meals from 4-6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday and from 3-5 p.m. and 4-6 p.m. Sunday. Each week, more than 500 meals are prepared and delivered by volunteers. However, the program loses some volunteers due to the summer break. You can assist in furthering the success of this program by donating two hours of your time and providing individuals with a healthy, well-balanced meal — as well as companionship. One-time or weekly opportunities are available for individuals and groups. For more information, call 977-3881. Members of the University community interested in continuing other volunteer activities or exploring new service opportunities during the summer also have ample opportunity with local agencies. Visit the Center for Leadership and Community Service Web site at www.slu.edu/services/coc/ to check out some new and familiar agencies that need assistance. For more information, call 977-1570.

BROWSER TIPS: To help minimize any problems in using WebFac, WebPro and WebStar, information technology services recommends certain browsers for members of the Saint Louis University community. A browser is software used to view and interact with pages on the World Wide Web. For Microsoft Windows users, ITS recommends Internet Explorer, version 6.0, with all appropriate security patches. This browser allows access to all of the University's Web-based applications with minimal or no compatibility problems. For Macintosh users, Netscape 6.2, Opera 6.0 and Mozilla 1.4 work with WebFac,



RENOWNED FOR RESEARCH: The Graduate School's office of research services held its 27th annual grantwinner reception April 25. The event honors members of the University community for success in securing external support for research and scholarly activities. Five awards were given in recognition of achievement for external grant support. Individual faculty awards went to Dr. Celestine Johnson, assistant vice president for student educational services; Dr. Keith Koper, assistant professor of earth and atmospheric sciences; and Dr. Shelley Minter, assistant professor of chemistry. Departmental awards recognized the chemistry and physics departments. From left are Dr. Steven W. Buckner, chairman of the chemistry department; Minter; Dr. Donald Brennan, dean of the Graduate School; Dr. Larry Stacey, chairman of the physics department; Stephen Lamkin, assistant director for student educational services; Koper; and Loisteen Jackson, administrative assistant for student educational services. Lamkin and Jackson accepted the award on behalf of Johnson. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)

WebPro and WebStar. These recommendations are based on upcoming University software changes and known compatibility issues with other University software. Other browsers that are compatible with WebFac, WebPro and WebStar are listed on the opening Web pages for each of these applications. Although the Netscape 7.0 browser is compatible with some applications, it's important to note that Netscape 7.0 e-mail is not supported by the ITS support center and not recommended for use with WebCT, WebFocus and applications that will be available as the Gateway project moves forward. If you experience problems while logging in to WebFac, WebPro, or WebStar, call the support center at 977-4000.

JESUIT ART: The first floor of the Saint Louis University Museum of Art (SLUMA) now houses a group exhibition of work by contemporary

American Jesuit artists. The exhibition highlights work created by Jesuit artists ordained in the United States. Reflecting contemporary Catholic imagination as well as ancient religious themes, the Contemporary American Jesuit Artists exhibition mirrors the vibrant interests of the Society of Jesus in America and its work among the faithful and the marginalized. The exhibit runs through Wednesday, Aug. 13., and is available for viewing during regular museum hours: 1-4 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday with expanded hours from noon-4 p.m. Friday. For more information about the exhibit or SLUMA, call Eve Gilman at 977-6630 or e-mail her at gilmanec@slu.edu.

GSA AWARDS: The Graduate Student Association has recognized several members of the SLU community as Brennan Award Winners. These annual awards for exams, theses and dissertations carry monetary stipends funded by the GSA to facilitate academic research. The \$2,000 Brennan Dissertation Awards went to John V. Kruse, theological studies, and Nujaree Nettip, nursing. The \$1,000 Brennan Thesis Awards went to Elliot Peppers, communication, and Aaron Wilcher, American studies. The \$500 Brennan Exam Study Awards went to John Kille, American studies, and Michael Rota, philosophy. The GSA Mentor Award honored Dr. Thomas Kramer, psychology. The GSA Student Service Award went to Jennifer Sieve, public policy studies.

SUMMER DINING HOURS: University dining services is observing the following summer hours for on-campus eateries: Ameren Café from 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Thursday; Fusz Food Court from 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday-Friday; Clemens Hall C-Store from 8:30 a.m.-

2:30 p.m. Monday-Friday; Allied Health Café from 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Monday-Friday; Salus Center Café from 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Monday-Friday; Bannister House closed May 30 for the summer.

YOU CAN HELP: 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 have received 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 210. For more information, call 977-2428.

LIBRARIAN LOBBY: Saint Louis University Librarian John Montre was among those urging Capitol Hill legislators to support libraries as part of the 29th National Library Legislative Day held May 12 and 13 in Washington, D.C. Representing Pius XII Memorial Library and other academic libraries in Missouri, Montre met with the members and staff of the Missouri Congressional delegation to seek support for library legislation now pending in Congress. SLU libraries benefit from federal support sharing resources with other academic institutions in the state such as the Missouri Bibliographic Information User System, a consortium of academic libraries with 50 member colleges and universities in the state. Library officials discussed several issues with legislators, including access to government information, Library Services Technology Act reauthorization, copyright issues and the



TOP TEACHERS: Several Saint Louis University educators recently were honored for their dedication to students in the School of Medicine's M.D. program. Seven teachers were recognized at the first annual Distinguished Teacher Award ceremony: Dr. Gregory S. Smith (surgery), who received two awards — one for presentation skills and one for educational leadership; Steven C. Herrmann, M.D., (internal medicine/cardiology) for use of media in teaching; David S. Brink, M.D., (pathology) for small group facilitation; Paul G. Schmitz, M.D., (internal medicine/nephrology) for instructional development; John B. Selhorst, M.D., (neurology) for clinical teaching - inpatient; Sophia M. Chung, M.D., (ophthalmology) for clinical teaching - ambulatory; and Steven R. Shields, M.D., (ophthalmology) for clinical teaching - preceptor. From left are Brink, Chung, Schmitz, Herrmann, Patricia Monteleone, M.D., dean of the School of Medicine; Shields, Selhorst and Smith. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)



Dr. Dan Finucane (left) and Liz Hogan have made some refinements to SLU's Catholic studies program. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)

Catholic studies program expands its scope

Manresa program examines Jesuit issues, plans to offer events for high school students

Saint Louis University is offering a new program in Catholic/Jesuit studies, but it's not just for Catholics or Jesuits.

The Manresa program in Catholic/Jesuit studies is for undergraduates who want to leave SLU with an understanding of the major traditions that shape the SLU educational experience. Originally called the Catholic studies program, the Manresa program integrates liberal arts learning and professional preparation with a world view and vision that prepare students—whatever their faith tradition or religious affiliation—to live as “men and women for others.”

Except for a final capstone course, program courses are part of the students' core requirements. Manresa program sections of Theology 100 and some second-level theology courses orient students to the program with an additional four designated

courses in English, art history, philosophy, history or theology needed to complete it.

Dr. Mary Elizabeth Hogan, an associate dean in the College of Arts and Sciences and previous director of the program, notes the significance of the name.

“Manresa is the name of the town where, in 1522, Ignatius Loyola began to write his *Spiritual Exercises* and was graced by experiences that set the direction for his future life and the founding of the Society of Jesus,” she said. “It is the goal of the Manresa program to enable students through education, reflection and action to integrate their intellectual, human, professional and spiritual lives. Manresa seems an apt metaphor for such an effort.”

The program also encourages discussion and reflection through movie nights with faculty, weekly prayer sessions, field trips and other events.

“One of the major goals of the program is to develop a sense of community not just among students, but between students and faculty,” said Dr. Dan Finucane, assistant professor of theological studies and director of the program. “But most importantly, we hope to provide students with a deeper understanding of Christian tradition, Ignatian themes and experiences of service learning. In the process, students will link faith to a career and never lose the motivation to live a faith that does justice.”

The Manresa program also is expanding its influence beyond college students. Next summer, in cooperation with Micah House and the VOICES program, SLU will offer a new institute geared toward high-school seniors interested in the Christian intellectual and social traditions.

For more information about the Manresa program, call 977-2874.

Scholarship honors Mary Jean Ryan

The School of Public Health and SSM Health Care have announced a new scholarship named for Mary Jean Ryan, F.S.M., president and chief executive officer of SSM Health Care.

The Sister Mary Jean Ryan Scholarship will be awarded to a first-year School of Public Health student to be applied to tuition.

Selected candidates accepted to either the MHA or MPH program will be asked to submit an application for consideration for this scholarship, including an essay indicating their merits, service to others and a vision for their future. Test scores and demonstrated financial need also will be considered.

“Sister Mary Jean and Saint Louis University have a treasured relationship that's continued for years,” said Dr. E. Andrew Balas, M.D., dean and professor at the School of Public Health. “It is fitting that the School of Public Health, an institution dedicated to educating tomorrow's health care leaders, honor her commitment to health care.”

In 2002, SSM Health Care was named the first-ever health care organization to win the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, the nation's highest honor for quality achievement. Ryan, president of SSM Health Care since 1986, is nationally recognized as a tireless advocate for continuous quality improvement in health care.

Ryan received a nursing diploma from St. Mary's Hospital Medical Center in Madison, Wis., a bachelor of science degree in nursing from SLU and a master's degree in hospital and health administration from Xavier University in Cincinnati. She has been a Franciscan Sister of Mary for more than 40 years and has served as a member of the SLU board of trustees.

SSM Health Care, the SLU School of Public Health and the generosity of individual donors will jointly fund the scholarship. For more information on donating, call Maura Brennan at 977-8253.



INNOVATIVE SOLUTION: Saleem Abdulrauf, M.D., SLUCare neurosurgeon and director of the cerebrovascular and skull base surgery program at the School of Medicine, recently led a course that attracted surgeons from 20 countries around the world to the Practical Anatomy Workshop. Abdulrauf demonstrated a procedure that involves removing the orbital bone above the eye to get below the brain and take out a lesion or tumor that otherwise would have been inoperable. Above, from left, Abdulrauf discusses the nuances of microsurgery with David Piepgras, M.D., chairman of neurosurgery at the Mayo Clinic, and Albert Rhoton Jr., M.D., chairman of neurosurgery at the University of Florida-Gainesville. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)



Billiken Briefs

BILLIKEN WOMEN TEE UP: Saint Louis University will sponsor women's golf beginning in the 2004-05 academic year. Billiken men's golf coach Ed Schwent will assume responsibility for both programs and will begin recruiting for the 10-member team immediately. Saint Louis becomes the 10th C-USA program to sponsor both women's and men's golf along with Cincinnati, East Carolina, Louisville, Memphis, South Florida, Southern Miss, TCU, Tulane and UAB. Gateway National in Illinois, which serves as the men's team's home course, also will serve as the home course for the women. The women's golf team replaces rifle, which was a four-member, non-scholarship, co-ed program. The rifle team began competing in 1993 as a member of the Great Midwest Conference and continued competing in Conference USA. When Cincinnati, DePaul and Marquette dropped their rifle programs following the 1997-98 season, C-USA dipped below the necessary five teams to sponsor a league championship. “Should there be a continuing interest within the University community for a rifle team, the University recreation department has expressed an interest in sponsoring a club team,” said Athletic Director Doug Woolard.

C-USA HONORS: Saint Louis University placed a conference-high 176 student-athletes on the Conference USA Commissioner's Honor Roll for the 2002-03 academic year. Student-athletes named to the Commissioner's Honor Roll maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or better and participate in a conference-sponsored sport. In addition, a league-high 53 Billiken student-athletes received the Commissioner's Academic Medal by maintaining a cumulative GPA of 3.75 or above. The number of student-athletes on both lists are the highest the program has posted in seven seasons of C-USA membership.



Top Ten

Top 10 things to ensure a health pregnancy

By Robert Blaskiewicz, M.D.

1. Take a multivitamin that includes 0.4 to 0.8 milligrams of folic acid. Folic acid reduces neural tube defects, which are birth defects involving the brain or spine, up to 10-fold.
2. Don't drink alcoholic beverages if you are past the point in your menstrual cycle when you have ovulated. If you are taking illegal drugs, stop. Assume you're pregnant. Whether you drink in excess or very rarely, any alcohol early in your pregnancy is too much because it can jeopardize your baby's development at a critical time. Fetal alcohol syndrome is a leading cause of mental retardation.
3. If you are past the time in your cycle when you have ovulated, check with your doctor before you take an over the counter medication, even for a cold or a prescription.
4. Learn your and your husband's family history, and review it with your obstetrician. Go as far back as grandparents to check if there have been cases of birth defects or genetic diseases such as cystic fibrosis. Check to see if your mother and grandmothers have had difficulties getting pregnant, frequent miscarriages or stillborn births after the middle term of pregnancy. These problems can be markers for genetic problems, which couples should know about before a pregnancy.
5. If you don't have an exercise program in place, get one going. Working out could include walking, for about 20-30 minutes on most days. If you participate in strenuous physical activities, talk to your doctor.
6. Make sure your weight is under control before you become pregnant. Many women begin having problems with excessive weight gain during their reproductive years. They gain 40-50 pounds during pregnancy, lose 20, become pregnant and gain another 40-50, then lose only 20. If you gain 50 pounds during your pregnancy, you're setting yourself up for health risks later on, which include diabetes and hypertension.
7. Take 1200 milligrams of calcium, which is about three to four servings, spread throughout the day.
8. Avoid megavitamins, such as massive doses of vitamins A and E and antioxidants, which have not been proved to be safe in pregnancy. Instead, stick to the standard daily vitamin requirements.
9. Stop smoking and watch your exposure to second-hand smoke.
10. Get the vaccination for rubella (German measles) before you become pregnant.



Robert Blaskiewicz, M.D., professor of obstetrics, gynecology and women's health at the School of Medicine, is a SLUCare physician at SSM St. Mary's Health Center who has delivered more than 6,000 babies since he began practicing obstetrics in 1979. He said it's better to get into shape for a pregnancy before a woman actually conceives. “So many women get pregnant and then modify their lifestyles,” he said. “Their pregnancies could be easier and their babies healthier if they made healthy changes before they conceived.”

New executive director sinks teeth into role at SLU

Rolf G. "Buzz" Behrents, D.D.S., the new executive director of the Center for Advanced Dental Education, recalls his first experience with Saint Louis University.

It was 1969, and the Galesburg, Ill., native was finishing his undergraduate degree at St. Olaf College, a small liberal arts school in Minnesota where generations of his family had studied.

"I knew I wanted to study dentistry," Behrents said. "And I was close to finishing studies at St. Olaf's. So I sent an application to the dental school at Saint Louis University, but I learned by mail that the University's dental school was closing."

Although SLU's dental school closed, just as many others did at the time, SLU's department of orthodontics never shut down, thanks to a dedicated group of alumni and faculty. Now, more than 30 years later, the graduate program in orthodontics — which expanded to become the Center for Advanced Dental Education by adding graduate study in periodontics and endodontics — is thriving.

"One indication of the academic reputation of our Center for Advanced Dental Education is that we were able to attract Buzz, a nationally renowned dental educa-

tor, to the position of executive director," said Dr. Donald Brennan, dean of the Graduate School. "Buzz is just the person to lead our program as we solidify our current programs and look to expand with programs in additional specialty areas. This unit truly has the potential to be the finest of its kind in the world."

Behrents, who started his new job June 1, peppers his speech with words such as "character," "values," "mission" and "service," adding the caveat that he hopes he doesn't come off as hokey. He doesn't.

"I want our graduates to be people who became 'built of good fabric' while they were here, who are skilled at what they do and who are compassionate to the people around them," he said. "I want them to aspire toward excellence in life and in service to their patients."

Those are exactly the same values he learned from his mentor, Dr. Lysle E. Johnston Jr., while attending graduate school at Case Western Reserve University.

Johnston is a familiar name in SLU dental lore, serving from 1976-1991 as chair of the graduate programs in orthodontics at SLU; a portrait of him recent-

ly was hung in the conference room at CADE to honor him for his achievements and service at SLU.

"He is why I'm doing what I'm doing today," says Behrents, who's been leading orthodontic graduate programs for the last 25 years.

For a man of Nordic descent — his hair and beard are reddish blond, and his eyes are blue — Behrents made a surprising choice when he decided to study dentistry. He applied to and was admitted to Meharry Medical College, a historically black dental school in Nashville. The school has graduated the largest number of black physicians and dentists in the world.

The choice surprised some, who would ask Behrents: "Isn't that a black school?" His reply: "No, it's a red brick school."

"It was a great life experience," he recalls of his dental education, which took place in the era of civil rights protests. After Meharry, he received his master's degree from Case Western and his doctorate from the University of Michigan.

In addition to his role as executive director, Behrents also holds the title of director of the graduate program in

orthodontics, a position he also has held at Case Western Reserve University (six years), the University of Tennessee (14 years) and Baylor College of Dentistry (five years).

Behrents, who recently received an honorary doctorate from the University of Athens, is well known in two areas of research: human craniofacial growth and development, and the development of expert skills.

Behrents says the demand for dental specialists continues to grow, and he is looking forward to developing new programs and maintaining the current excellence for which CADE is known nationally.

Behrents said the people at CADE are the center's greatest resource. This includes the directors of the various graduate programs: Don Oliver, D.D.S., orthodontics; Doug Miley, D.M.D., periodontics; and John Hatton, D.M.D., endodontics.

Demand for the education at CADE is high. Last year there were 200 applicants for 14 positions in orthodontics. It's one of the largest graduate programs in orthodontics in the world.

For more information about the services offered by CADE, call 577-8186.



IMMERSION STUDIES: Three doctoral students from the department of theological studies received the department's second annual scholarships for language immersion studies this summer. Funds were provided by the Jesuit community at Saint Louis University. Chris Evans and Elizabeth Staley will study medieval Latin at the Medieval Institute at Notre Dame University while Brian Matz will study French at the Université du Laval in Quebec. From left are John Padberg, S.J., rector for the Jesuit community, Evans, Matz and Staley. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)

SLU names dean for business school

Saint Louis University has named Dr. Ellen Harshman dean of the John Cook School of Business. Her appointment is effective July 1. Harshman succeeds the retiring Dr. Leroy Grossman, who had served as interim dean since last July.

Harshman has served SLU in several leadership roles since 1972, including associate dean of the business school, director of the career planning and placement center and assistant to the vice president for student development. She also holds the rank of associate professor of management.

She most recently was senior vice provost at SLU. Among her many responsibilities in this role, Harshman administered compliance with the University's accrediting agencies, served as a liaison with state-wide educational agencies and oversaw the libraries, Reinert Center for Excellence and the office of institutional study. Since January, she also served as interim vice president for information technology.

Harshman has earned numerous accolades and honors during her career. She is a recipient of the Thomas Knapp, S.J., Faculty Member of the Year Award and was selected as Woman of the Year by the Women's Commission of Saint Louis University in 1981.

Her ties to SLU extend beyond her leadership roles. Harshman received her juris doctor from the

University's School of Law in 1992 and her doctorate in counseling and higher education administration from SLU in 1978.

"As both an alumna and leader at SLU, Ellen Harshman has shown unwavering commitment to this institution and its progress over the last 30 years," said University Provost Joe Weixmann. "I have no doubt that her skills and dedication will continue to be invaluable assets to the business school and the entire University."



Harshman

Weixmann also thanked Grossman for his service to the business school during the last year. Grossman retired from the faculty in June after decades with the University. He joined the SLU community in 1963 as an assistant professor. He also served as dean of faculty and chairman of the economics department from 1997-2000.

During his career, Grossman earned numerous academic honors and awards, including a Carnegie Fellowship at Vanderbilt University. SLU alumni handed him the outstanding faculty member award in 1991. He also has served as a consultant to many businesses and organizations. Grossman is a member of several national organizations, including the American Economic Association.

"Leroy Grossman's leadership, not only in the last year, but throughout his career, has been critical in the many successes of the business school," Weixmann said.



On the Move

Congratulations to the following employees receiving promotions or transfers:

- Brandy Berry, to medical records clerk for medical records
- Katherine Bonan, to coordinator for research administration
- Karen Brockland, to medical records clerk for medical records
- Jeffrey Buckman, to program coordinator for undergraduate admission
- Larinda Burnside, to patient coordinator for student health and counseling services
- Patricia K. Byrne, to administrative assistant for the department of internal medicine/geriatrics
- Jennifer A. Crecelius, to medical secretary for the department of pediatrics
- Gretchen Dalzell, to senior library assistant for the Health Sciences Center Library
- Elizabeth D'Arcangelis, to physical assistant for emergency medicine
- Will Darris, to public safety officer for the department of public safety
- Verna Ehlen, to supervisor for the department of obstetrics, gynecology and women's health
- Mary Beth Erickson, to administrative assistant for campus ministry
- Steven Grimm, to protective services officer for the department of public safety
- Laura Horn, to physical assistant for emergency medicine
- Christina Jones, to assistant supervisor for practice management operations
- Angie Kaestner, to senior patient coordinator for the department of ophthalmology
- Jennifer Meyer, to research assistant for the department of molecular microbiology and immunology
- Verlisa Patton, to insurance verification representative for the department of internal medicine
- Tom Przyzycki, to chemo pharm tech for the department of internal medicine/hematology-oncology
- Untress Quinn, to research nurse for the department of surgery
- Angela Riehn, to administrative assistant for the department of pediatrics
- Tina Rose, to research assistant for the department of pharmacological and physiological science
- Sopheak Srun, to research assistant for the department of pediatrics
- Michael Summers, to protective services officer for the department of public safety
- Patricia Taveras, to senior payroll assistant for the controller's office
- David Treaster, to protective services officer for the department of public safety
- Ping Wang, to research assistant for the department of molecular microbiology and immunology
- Joyce C. Williams, to pastoral associate for pastoral care



BITTERSWEET MOMENT: A student congratulates Joan Range, A.S.C., associate professor of theological studies, during Range's retirement party May 1, which included a prayer service and reception. Range began lecturing at SLU in 1964 and was appointed as a professor in 1971. She is the former director of the doctoral program for the department of theological studies. In 1981, she co-developed a certificate in women's studies through the College of Arts and Sciences. She also developed and conducted an annual symposium at SLU called "Women on Women" and served as the vice president and president of the women's commission. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)



Trivia Corner



This month's trivia deals with prominent Saint Louis University alumni.

1. Which top city official (pictured above) boasts a SLU law degree?
2. Which SLU alumnus penned a 2002 summer box office blockbuster?
3. True or False: As of June 10, nearly one-third of the presidents at U.S. Jesuit universities and colleges graduated from SLU.
4. What SLU alumnus and former NFL place kicker retired in 1992 as the third-leading scorer in NFL history? What team did he play for?

1. St. Louis Mayor Francis Slay (Law '80).
2. James Gunn (A&S '92), who wrote *Scooby Doo*.
3. True: Michael J. Garanzini, (Loyola University Chicago); Edward Aloysius P. Kelley, S.J. (Fairfield University); William P. Leahy, S.J. (Boston College); Gregory F. Lucey, S.J. (Spring Hill College); Nicholas Rashford, S.J. (Saint Joseph's University); John P. Schlegel, S.J. (Creighton University); Michael J. Sheeran, S.J. (Regis University); and Robert J. Spitzer, S.J. (Gonzaga University).
4. Pat Leahy (B&A '73), who played for the New York Jets.

Arena

difficult decision," said University president Lawrence Biondi, S.J. "One only has to look around the SLU campus to see the outstanding work done by Alberici Constructors, and I am pleased to have them heading the team for this project."

The new arena will be located in Midtown within the area bounded by Olive Boulevard, North Theresa Avenue, Washington Boulevard and North Leonard Avenue.

"All of current property owners in that area have been contacted by the University regard-

ing the acquisition of property for the arena," said Kathleen Brady, vice president for facilities management and civic affairs. "We anticipate the Alberici team will begin a topographical survey of the proposed area for the arena as we then begin to finalize the exact location."

Alberici Constructors has headed a number of large construction projects at SLU, including the expansion of John and Lucy Cook Hall, the Humanities Building, parking garages and the renovation of Verhaegen Hall.

St. Louis-based Mackey

Student wins prestigious scholarship

A graduating Saint Louis University student has received a prestigious fellowship to pursue graduate work in one of the nation's top-rated engineering programs.

Nathan Harter recently earned a Bradley Graduate Fellowship from Virginia Tech, which features an electrical and computer engineering department consistently ranked in the nation's top 20 by *U.S. News & World Report*. Harter, a resident of Belleville, Ill., graduated from SLU's electrical engineering program May 17.

"We are proud of the accomplishments of all our students, but to have a student recognized by winning such a prestigious fellowship is extra spe-

cial," said Dr. Will Ebel, chairman of SLU's electrical engineering department.

Several Bradley Graduate Fellowships are available each year to the top U.S. graduate students in electrical and computer engineering. They allow graduate students to pursue research that interests them without having to worry about outside contract funding.

"Our engineering program is first class as exemplified by student accomplishments such as this," Ebel said.

The electrical engineering department at SLU features an engineering program that includes a concentration in computer engineering

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"It's going to be exciting to be in a new environment," said Linda Wardhammar, associate director of student life. "The combination of event services and student organizations in the same building will be very beneficial."

Student life and the Center for Leadership and Community Service will move in together in Room 335. Event services will neighbor these departments in Room 356.

"We are very excited. The change is going to be very convenient for us," said Leslie Pinkston, director of event services. "First, we will be located in one of our largest events venues. When students or faculty want to plan an event, we won't necessarily have to walk them all over campus to show them places — they already will be in a great location. Plus, being located in the same building with catering and other retail outlets will allow us to

Celebrate 'New Year, New Union' at BSC

Be a part of the opening of Busch Student Center in grand style 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 28, with the blessing and dedication of the BSC outside the north atrium. The event will be part of "Celebrate SLU: A New Year, A New Union." Classes will be canceled from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to allow people to participate in the festivities, which include the Mass of the Holy Spirit at 11 a.m. in the BSC Ballroom. Immediately after, food, games and a variety of activities will be available outside with much entertainment available throughout the center. Look for more information in the next issue of *Grand Connections* and on Newlink.

communicate better and do our jobs faster."

Once event services is settled in the BSC, campus ministry will move to DuBourg Hall, Room 17, the current event services location. Campus ministry will eventually settle into Wuller Hall, now the Barnes and Noble Bookstore. Campus ministry currently occupies Notre Dame Hall, which will be used again as a residence hall beginning this academic year.

"Wuller Hall will be a great location for us," said Michael Doody, S.J., director of campus ministry. "We are delighted with the large amount of room and the fact that we will be at the crossroads of campus."

For added convenience, all University department telephone numbers will remain the same after the move.

For more information about BSC, see the special insert in the August *Grand Connections*.

Research

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Midtown St. Louis. The future of our University and the whole central corridor of the city of St. Louis shines very bright today."

University Provost Joe Weixlmann said SLU has several areas of emphasis on its research agenda, including biodefense, infectious diseases, virology, cardiovascular, cancer and liver disease.

"This initiative is critical to our success in attracting top-notch researchers and to compete for external funding," Weixlmann said. "The new structure will contain basic and clinical science research in focused areas."



Weixlmann

The University has several sites in mind for where the building could be built. Specific details will be announced in the coming months.

Bonds will be issued to finance construction of the center. In addition, raising money for the building is part of the University's \$300 million "Where Knowledge Touches Lives" comprehensive campaign.

"An opportunity exists for a donor to make a major gift and name the building," said Don Whelan, vice president for development and University relations. "We are actively pursuing this."

Schottenstein Center at Ohio State University, the University of Denver Arena, the SaveMart Event Center at Fresno State University and the San Jose (Calif.) Arena.

Work also will begin on a design for the arena. After visiting other successful arenas around the country, the Alberici team, in conjunction with University officials, will create the design for the SLU arena.

"I know our students, faculty and staff, along with the entire St. Louis community, are excited to see the design for our arena,"

Biondi said. "I believe that once everyone can see what the building will look like, it also will assist us in the fund-raising effort for the arena."

The new arena will serve as a true multi-purpose campus events center, hosting many SLU events, including men's and women's basketball, commencement, cultural events, conferences and conventions. The SLU arena also will provide a mid-sized venue for concerts, family shows, sporting competitions and other events in the St. Louis metropolitan area.

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Members of the Saint Louis University community are frequently featured in print and electronic media. Following are some recent highlights.

Dr. Faye Abram (social service) was interviewed by *Better Homes and Gardens* about grandparents who are the sole or primary caretakers of their grandchildren.

John Ammann, J.D., (law) was interviewed by Dow Jones Newswire for a story about the numerous class-action lawsuits filed in Madison County, Ill.



Jeffrey Bailey, M.D., (surgery) was interviewed by *American Medical News* about combat medicine and the CSTARS program.

William Banks, M.D., (geriatrics) was interviewed by *Time* magazine about pets and aging. He was quoted on many Web sites, including Yahoo, CNN Money and Dr Koop.com, as well as on German Public Radio and in the *Miami Herald* and *Remedy Magazine*, about his baboon obesity research. He was quoted in the *Akron (Ohio) Beacon Journal* and on several Web sites about his research on making nursing homes more homelike. He was interviewed by *Science Daily* and KFAB Radio (Omaha, Neb.) about obesity and leptin. His research was mentioned on several television outlets, including WGN-TV (Chicago) and KMBC-TV (Kansas City, Mo.). He was interviewed by *Self*, *Sueddeutsche Zeitung* (Germany) and the *Kansas City (Mo.) Star* about his research on exercise and prevention of obesity and diabetes. He was interviewed for a program that aired on NDR (German public radio). The story appeared on several Web sites, including *sabcnews.com* (South Africa). Banks was on "A Touch of Grey," a radio show syndicated to 50 markets.

Robert Belshe, M.D., (infectious diseases) was quoted in the *New York Times*, *San Jose (Calif.) Mercury News*, *Columbus (Ohio) Dispatch*, *Memphis (Tenn.) Commercial Appeal*, *Dayton (Ohio) Daily News* and *Contra Costa (Calif.) Times* about the Flumist vaccine.

Leslie Bennet (social service) was featured in the March issue of the *National Association of Social Workers News*. The article highlighted the recent SLU graduate's social work in Alaska.

Robert Blaskiewicz, M.D., (obstetrics, gynecology and women's health) was quoted in the *Detroit News* about preparing for pregnancy.

Dr. Ross Brownson (public health) was quoted on several Web sites, including *Jewish World News* and *scienceblog.com*, about how people who live in communities without proper facilities are more likely to be overweight. He was interviewed by KCSN Radio (California), the *Cincinnati Enquirer* and the *Las Vegas Review-Journal* about the research.

Richard Bucholz, M.D.,

(neurosurgery) was featured in television stories in dozens of cities about using scorpion venom to treat brain cancer. Among the many stations to air the story were: KOAT-ABC (Albuquerque-Santa Fe, N.M.); WFLX-FOX (West Palm Beach, Fla.); WUSA-CBS (Washington, D.C.); and WFAA-ABC (Dallas-Ft. Worth).

The Center for Vaccine Development was mentioned as an HIV test site in the *San Diego Union Tribune*.

Dr. John Chibnall (psychiatry) and his research about sex abuse and nuns were mentioned in the *Minneapolis Star Tribune* and *Leader Post* (Regina, Canada). His research was referenced by the People's Daily Online (China) in their Summary of Human Rights Record. Chibnall was quoted on prayer and healing in *Parade* magazine, which is carried each Sunday by 335 newspapers (77.6 million readers) across the country. He was quoted on the Web site of *Modern Healthcare* about the same topic.

Bruce Clements and Dr. Greg Evans (Center for the Study of Bioterrorism and



Emerging Infections) were featured in the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* as among St. Louis' homeland security experts. Clements was interviewed by the BBC about laboratory testing capabilities for anthrax. He also spoke with the Associated Press about hospital emergency preparedness systems. The story ran in 25 newspapers, including *Newsday*, *Seattle Post-Intelligencer* and the *Baltimore Sun*. Evans was quoted in the *Orlando (Fla.) Sentinel* about new anthrax centers. He was quoted on bioterrorism in 18 papers, including the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, *Miami Herald* and *San Jose (Calif.) Mercury News*. Clements was quoted on the Web sites for the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, *Baltimore Sun*, *Contra Costa (Calif.) Times* and *Ft. Lauderdale (Fla.) Sun-Sentinel* about the need for small towns to prepare for terrorist attacks.

James Cummings, M.D., (urology) was quoted in *Energy for Women* about how the food people eat affects the way their urine smells.

Paul Czysz (aerospace and mechanical engineering) was interviewed about the Space Shuttle investigation twice by the *New York Times*, as well as by "ABC News Tonight" and *Newsday*. He was interviewed by the *Dallas Morning News* about space vehicles he helped design while working at McDonnell Douglas.

Dr. James DuBois (public health) wrote an opinion piece on Duke University's transplant mistake that ran in the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, *Omaha (Neb.) World Herald* and *Charlotte (N.C.) Observer*.

Student Deanna Durrett (political science) was featured in the *Courier-Journal* (Louisville, Ky.) for winning the prestigious Truman Scholarship.

Dr. Amy Eyler (public health)

was quoted in the *Orlando (Fla.) Sentinel* and *Runner's World* about women's difficulties with exercise.

Dr. James Fisher (marketing) was interviewed by the *Sacramento (Calif.) Bee* for a story about how a large retirement plan company is avoiding the stock of companies without independent boards of directors.

Dr. Randall Flanery (community and family medicine) was quoted on several Web sites and radio stations, including WIOD-AM 619 (Miami), WGY-AM 810 (Albany, N.Y.) and WKRC-TV Channel 12 (Cincinnati), about eating disorders and the *Are You Hot?* television show.

Jeff Fowler (media relations) did interviews with the Associated Press, Dow Jones Newswire, *Ft. Worth (Texas) Star-Telegram*, and *The Chronicle of Higher Education* on the decision concerning SLU's commencement speaker.

Dee Anna Glaser, M.D., (dermatology) was quoted in the *Wall Street Journal* and *San Francisco Chronicle* about excessive sweating. She talked to *Health Magazine* about summer skin care.

Joel Goldstein, J.D., (law) was interviewed by the *Chicago Tribune* for a story about Vice President Dick Cheney's role in the war with Iraq.

George Griffing, M.D., (general internal medicine) was interviewed by UPI about research that shows the link between diabetes and short thighs. He was interviewed by *Alternative Medicine Magazine* about natural hormone supplements.

George Grossberg, M.D., (psychiatry) was quoted on *health-news.co.uk* about his research on a new class of drugs to treat Alzheimer's disease. He was quoted in *Medical Spas* about his COGNISHunt research.

Ken Haller, M.D., (pediatrics) was interviewed by the *New York Times*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Denver Post*, *Dayton (Ohio) Daily News*, *East Oregonian*, *Asbury Park (N.J.) Press* and *Sacramento (Calif.) Bee* about talking to children about war. He was quoted in the *American Medical News* about the increase in outbreaks of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*. He talked to *Better Homes and Gardens* magazine about health screenings that doctors can do between appointments and to *Parents Magazine* about adult diseases now found in kids. He also was quoted in *Parents Magazine* about why babies cry and in *Parenting* about drooling. He spoke with *AMA News* about the effect of television on kids for a story about "Turn Off Your TV Week."



Dr. William Hart (nutrition and dietetics) was interviewed by *Shape* about whether bulimia changes metabolism. He was quoted in *Self* about sugar aliases on food labels. He was quoted in the first chapter of *The Cooking Light Way to Lose Weight*, a new lifestyle book about dieting.

Thomas Heineman, M.D., (infectious diseases) was interviewed by New Black City Radio about herpes vaccination trials.



Dotti James (nursing) talked with *Parents Magazine* about breast health. Olivia Jandrusevic (ophthalmology) was interviewed by the *Detroit Free Press* about how eyeglass frames should fit.

Derek Jinks, J.D., (law) was interviewed by the *Washington Post*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Chicago Tribune* and other outlets for stories about possible violations of the Geneva Conventions by Iraq.

James Kemp, M.D., (pediatrics) was quoted on UPT's Web site about his research that shows putting babies to sleep in adult beds increases the risk of sudden infant death syndrome.

Kathy Kress (nutrition and dietetics) was quoted on the *Nation's Restaurant News* Web site about food safety requirements.

Dr. Jean-Robert Leguey-Feilleux (political science) was interviewed about conflict in Iraq by many national news organizations, including Fox News Channel, the *San Francisco Chronicle*, *Christian Science Monitor*, WKRO Radio (Boston), *Raleigh (N.C.) News and Observer* and McClatchy Newspapers.

Dr. Tim Lomperis (political science) was interviewed about the war by many national news outlets, including Fox News Channel, NPR's "Morning Edition with Bob Edwards," CFRA Radio (Canada), the *Baltimore Sun*, *Boston Herald*, *Philadelphia Inquirer*, *Denver Post*, *Philadelphia Daily News*, *Kansas City (Mo.) Star*, *Newsday* and *San Francisco Chronicle*. He also was interviewed by the Associated Press.

Dr. Thomas Madden (history) was interviewed by the *Newark (N.J.) Star-Ledger* about the Crusades.

Mark Mengel, M.D., (community and family medicine) was quoted in the *St. Paul (Minn.) Pioneer Press*, *Newark (N.J.) Star-Ledger* and *New Orleans Times-Picayune* about when you're too sick to go to work.

Dr. Shelley Minter (chemistry) was quoted about a new invention in more than 75 media



outlets nationally, including six top-100 newspapers, and the *New Scientist* (United Kingdom), *San Jose (Calif.) Business Journal*, *Straits Times* (Singapore), *Wired News*, *Technology Review* at MIT and Yahoo News. Rush Limbaugh mentioned the invention during his nationally syndicated radio show.

Terry Moore, M.D., (rheumatology) was interviewed by the *New York Daily News* about lupus flares.

John Morley, M.D., (geriatrics) was interviewed by UPI about problems in treating Alzheimer's disease and *Men's Fitness* magazine about medications and treatments for erectile dysfunction. He was quoted on several Web sites, including *Black Enterprise Magazine*, about the need for older people to exercise their minds. Morley also was quoted on CNNMoney about his screening tool to detect appetite problems. He was interviewed by Healthscout News, a South African Web site, and drkoop.com about sexuality and the elderly. He talked to *Discover* magazine about andropause and to *SmartMoney Magazine* about how to live to 100.

Yi Pan, M.D., (neurology) was quoted on the Web sites of *Blood Weekly* and *Pain & Central Nervous System Weekly* about umbilical cells in rats speeding recovery from strokes. Thomas Porter, O.D., (ophthalmology) was quoted in *Eyecare Business* about devices to treat low vision.

Dr. Jean Potvin (physics) was interviewed by the Associated Press about people who work in tall buildings owning personal parachutes.

Dr. Steven Puro (political science) was interviewed by Reuters about a police scandal in San Francisco. The story ran on ABC News.com.

Terri Rebmann (public health) was interviewed about SARS by the *Christian Science Monitor*.

Mark Reinking (physical therapy) was interviewed about preventing sports injuries by "Vital Signs," a radio program that is broadcast in several markets nationwide.

Dr. Scott Safranski (management) was interviewed by *USA Today* about how the military's TRANSCOM worked with private industry during the war effort.

Saint Louis University's selection of *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* columnist Bill McClellan as commencement speaker was covered by *USA Today*, the *Dallas Morning News*, *Ft. Worth (Texas) Star-Telegram* and Associated Press. SLU also was mentioned in *Doctor's Guide* for its treatment of displaced acetabular fractures.

The St. Louis Cord Blood Bank at Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital and Saint Louis University were mentioned in an article that appeared on the Web site for the *Tampa (Fla.) Tribune* and *Philadelphia Inquirer*.

The Saint Louis University Museum of Art was mentioned in two national art magazines, *Sculpture* and *Museum News*, and the national university trade publication *American School and University*.

Bernie Schaefer (Center for Leadership and Community

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New innovative programs funded through VOICES project

Several faculty members who believe VOICES speak to their SLU endeavors are being rewarded. Drs. Marla Berg-Weger and Julie Birkenmaier (social service); Dr. Donald Stump and student Annie Papreck (Micah House); Dr. Eloise Buker (women's studies); Tim Randolph (clinical laboratory science); and Dr. Greg Beabout (philosophy) have received grants to develop various programs designed to help students consider their calling.

Funded through the Lilly Endowment Inc., the University's "Vocation: Interiority, Community and Engaged Service" (VOICES) project encourages students to reflect on faith and value commitments, as well as service to others, when choosing careers. The project recently held a merit-based competition with awards of up to \$2,500 for innovative faculty-, staff- or student-initiated activities that will help sustain the impact of VOICES past the end of its funding, which expires in 2006.

"The five proposals we have been able to fund will contribute in creative and important ways to infusing spirituality into our professional lives at the University," said Dr. Mary Beth Gallagher, director of the VOICES project. "The proposed projects will have a lasting impact on the curriculum and institutional structure. Many thanks also go out to the faculty, staff and students who submitted worthy proposals that were not funded."

The VOICES project involves the efforts of many departments and offices within the University, including the office of institutional study, campus ministry, the Center for Liturgy, student development, career services,



From left are Drs. Marla Berg-Weger, Greg Beabout, Julie Birkenmaier, Donald Stump and Eloise Buker and Tim Randolph. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)

academic advising and the provost's office. Programs that recently received funding will expand VOICES further around campus.

- Berg-Weger and Birkenmaier, for example, have developed seminars that will highlight the role of individual spirituality in social service practice, the importance of incorporating spirituality into practice with older adults and the skills needed to integrate spirituality into social work interventions. A spirituality and aging teaching module will be developed for use in other courses.

- Buker has established a series of three faculty conversations with nationally known speakers that will be part of

a graduate certificate in women's studies. The first will reflect on how SLU faculty draw on personal commitments to work as teacher-scholars. The second will examine methods of social analysis and strategies of interpretation used in gender analyses. The third will explore theories of gender and justice.

- Stump and Papreck will embark on a "virtual book project" that will make selected research papers about urban problems available on the Internet. Written by Micah House undergraduates during the last six years and focusing on the historic Shaw neighborhood near campus, where Micah House students perform community service, the essays share studies and reflections with others.

- Randolph will develop a monthly brown bag lunchtime reflection series for students, faculty and staff at the Doisy School of Allied Health Professions. The theme of the series will be based on the department of clinical laboratory science's 2003 medical mission trip. Speakers with experience in faith-based service will share stories to spark discussion.

- Beabout plans to develop an illustrated outline on CD-ROM of a lecture to be used during the first week of the core courses in philosophy. The presentation, which will be made available to all who teach such courses, aims to answer why SLU students are required to take philosophy by telling the story of St. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Jesuits, and examining philosophy's role in Jesuit education.

For more information on the VOICES project, call 977-2363.

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Dr. Daniel Assefa Eshete (internal medicine/infectious diseases) has received a two-year \$100,000 grant from the VZV Research Foundation for the study "Interactions Between Viral and Cellular Proteins."

Jeffrey A. Bailey, M.D., (surgery) has received a seven-month \$113,929 contract from Wyeth Pharmaceuticals for a drug interaction study in complicated intra-abdominal infections in hospitalized subjects.

James M. Cummings, M.D., (surgery and urology) has received a one-year \$12,269 grant from Midwest Stone Institute for the study "Novel Models for Teaching Laparoscopic Urological Surgery." He also received a one-year \$8,928 grant from Midwest Stone Institute for "Evaluation of Hearing Loss in Patients Undergoing Extracorporeal Shockwave Lithotripsy for Urinary Stone Disease."

Adrian Di Bisceglie, M.D., (internal medicine/gastroenterology) has received a one-year \$147,040 contract from Idenix Pharmaceuticals for a drug trial in adults with compensated chronic hepatitis B.

Dr. Dale Dorsett (biochemistry) has received a four-year \$1,176,000 grant from the National Institute of General Medical Sciences for the continued study "Long Distance Enhancer-Promoter Interactions."



Dr. Margie K. Edel (nursing) has received a one-year \$68,687 grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration of the Department of Health and Human Services for the "Advanced Education Nursing Traineeship."

Dr. John C. Edwards, M.D., (internal medicine/nephrology) has received a five-year \$1,017,080 grant

from the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases for a study on the structure and function of the "CLIC-1 Chloride Channel."

George T. Grossberg, M.D., (psychiatry) has received a 17-month \$121,880 contract from Boehringer, Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals Inc. for an evaluation of medication in patients with mild to moderate dementia of Alzheimer's type.



Dr. Shelley Minter (chemistry) has received \$9,277 from the University

of Iowa and the U.S. Army to study the fundamental magnetic field effects of electrochemistry.

Dr. Julianne Rainbolt (mathematics and computer science) has received \$15,800 from the Mathematical Association of America to examine the incorporation of the software GAP into an abstract algebra class.

Dr. Alireza R. Rezaie (biochemistry and molecular biology) has received a four-year \$1,029,000 grant from the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute for the continued study "Antithrombin Regulation of Coagulation Proteases."

Dr. Gregory S. Smith (surgery) has received a one-year \$153,641 grant from the Midwest Stone Institute for the study "Interstitial Renal Fibrosis in the Developing Kidney."

Dr. Shunji Tomatsu, M.D., (biochemistry) has received a three-year \$308,190 grant from the Carol Anne Foundation and International Morquio Organization for a study on advanced treatments of Morquio syndrome.

Dr. Sara van den Berg (English) has received \$5,000 from the National Endowment for the Humanities to research a collection of Milton's divorce tracts and related texts.

Best

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so recognized — for the development of Hometown SLU.

Hometown SLU is designed to spur development near the St. Louis campus while assisting SLU employees looking to purchase a home. Benefits specialist Krista Millay said that since Hometown SLU was unveiled Feb. 5, at least 13 people have participated. Assistant professor Santosh Krishna and assistant professor Dr. James Kelhoffer and his wife, Laura, who is a research coordinator at SLU, are having homes built near campus and hope to close on them this summer thanks to Hometown SLU.

"We are really thrilled for them," Millay said. "We hope that this is a benefit other SLU employees will continue to take advantage of."

Both homes will be located in one of the designated areas where full-time, eligible employees may receive forgivable loans of up to \$5,000. The loan is forgiven after five years if the employee still works at SLU and the home remains the primary residence.

Hometown SLU also provides preferred mortgage rates, reduced closing costs, home ownership education and other support services for any employee — no matter where he or she chooses to purchase a home. Only the forgivable loan aspect of the program is restricted for those purchasing homes in select neighborhoods.

Forgivable loans are granted in two areas. The first is bordered primarily by Vandeventer Avenue to the west, Lindell Boulevard to the south, Jefferson Avenue to the east and Natural Bridge Drive to the north. The second area is bordered by Compton Avenue to the west, Lafayette Avenue to the south, California Avenue to the east and Chouteau Avenue to the north.

Vice President of Facilities and Civic Affairs Kathleen Brady was instrumental in choosing the areas that would be covered by the program, which is the brain child of SLU Vice President of Human Resources Kathy Hagedorn, who came up with the idea almost eight years ago.

Encouraged by the program's recent recognition, Hagedorn also is proud that the program works to serve both SLU employees and the community.

"Hometown SLU is another way to give back to our employees and demonstrate how much we appreciate all they do to make this University such an outstanding institution," Hagedorn said. "At the same time, the program also demonstrates our commitment to St. Louis."

For more information about the program, call Millay at 977-3927 or visit the Web site at www.slu.edu/hometownslu.

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Service) was interviewed by the Associated Press about "Open Doors," the kickoff event for Homeless Awareness Week.

Dr. Brooke Shadel (public health) was interviewed about SARS by the Associated Press, *Investor's Business Daily* and *Citibank News*.

Joy Short (nutrition and dietetics) was quoted in the *Tulsa* (Okla.) *World* about the

benefits of chocolate and red wine. She was interviewed by *Health Magazine* about how food affects mood.

Dr. Jack Stretch (social service) was interviewed by the *San Antonio Express-News* for a series of stories about homelessness.

Nicolas Terry, LL.M., (law) was quoted in the magazine *HealthLeaders* about the

use of medical-expert systems by health care providers.

Jack Titone (public safety), Ed Kidd (event services) and Jeremy Schierhoff (Water Tower Inn) were quoted in *Campus Security Report* about the additional responsibilities of running a hotel on campus.

Dr. Terri Weaver (psychology) was

interviewed by the *St. Petersburg* (Fla.) *Times* about the effect of television reports of the war on soldiers' families.

Dr. Patrick Welch (economics) was interviewed by the *Dallas Morning News* for a story about how problems at American Airlines might affect the St. Louis economy.

Dr. Jennifer Altieri (educational studies) presented the paper "Creating a Poetry Connection Across the Content Areas" at the International Reading Association's conference in Orlando, Fla. She also was selected to review proposals for the conference.

Dr. Reinhard Andress (modern and classical languages) has been elected to a two-year term as vice president of the Missouri Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of German.

Dr. Olga Arbelaez (modern and classical languages) has been selected from a national applicant pool to attend a summer seminar on Afro-Hispanic Writers and the Canon supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Dr. Andrew Balas, M.D., (public health) represented the Association of Schools of Public Health at the Campaign for Tobacco-free Kids 2003 Youth Advocates of the Year and champion awards gala in Washington, D.C. The event honored the outstanding work of young advocates who have taken the lead in holding the tobacco industry accountable for marketing their product to youth.

Dr. Eloise Buker (women's studies) presented the paper "Can Catholic Feminism Contribute to Feminist Politics?" at the Western Political Science Association meeting in Denver.

Dr. Ellen Carnaghan (political science) presented "The More Things Change, the More They Stay the Same: Russian Citizens Face Changing Institutions" at the Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting in Chicago. Carnaghan participated in a roundtable organized by the Midwest Women's Caucus on "Soaking and Poking: Interviewing Strategies for Women and Men." Drs. Steve Puro and Wynne Moskop (political science) served as panel discussants at the conference.

Drs. Robert Cropf (public policy studies) and Vince Casaregola (English) gave a talk to the Creve Coeur (Mo.) Democrats about e-government.

Dr. Richard H. Dees (philosophy) has published his new interpretation of David Hume's *Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion* in "Morality above Metaphysics: Philo and the Duties of Friendship in Dialogues 12," which appears in *Hume Studies*.

Drs. Retha Edens and Nikki Murdick (educational studies) wrote the article "Preventing Infection in the Classroom: The Use of Universal Precautions," which appeared in *Teaching Exceptional Children*.

Dr. Paul García (international studies) was invited by the

department of social sciences and humanities of the Jesuit Universidad Iberoamericana, Puebla-Mexico, to offer a workshop on Pensamiento Medieval y las Artes. While there, he also offered a workshop for faculty and administrators on issues concerning the development of an international studies center on the campus. Garcia presented the paper "Ortega y Gasset and the Dehumanization of Art" at the annual meeting of the Missouri Philological Association at Truman State University in Kirksville, Mo.

Dr. Dan Gentry and Lorna Haughton (public health) presented "Evaluation of Capacity Building Assistance in Racial/Ethnic Minority Communities" at the HIV prevention community planning leadership summit sponsored by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

John Goerke (information technology services) presented "Re-engineering the University to SCT Banner" and "WebFOCUS Reporting" during the SCT Southeast users conference.

Dr. Debra Haire-Joshu (public health) has been named a Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Fellow for 2003-2004. She is one of only seven behavioral scientists and health professionals to receive this national fellowship, which begins in September with three months of orientation sessions arranged by the Institute of Medicine. The fellows will complete a wide range of activities designed to enrich their knowledge of the public-policy process and foster a better understanding of how government health and biomedical research relates to their home institutions and local communities. After the orientation period, fellows will work in legislative or executive branch offices with key responsibilities for health legislation and programs.

Dr. Scott Harris (sociology and criminal justice) wrote "Studying Equality/Inequality: Naturalist and Constructionist Approaches to Equality in Marriage," which appeared in the *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*, and "Challenging the Conventional Wisdom: Comparing Functional, Conflict and Interactionist Perspectives," which appeared in the *Quarterly Journal of Ideology*.

Kimberly Hessler and An Huynh (public health) had the abstract "High 5 for Kids: Improving the Health of Rural Families with Preschool Children" accepted for oral presentation at the Parents as Teachers National Conference.

William Hubble (nuclear medicine technology) was elected an executive board member of the Society of Nuclear Medicine.

Dr. Deborah Hwa-Froelich (communication sciences and disorders) co-presented "The Impact of Depression, Culture and Socioeconomic Status on Child Development" at the National Black Association for Speech-

Language-Hearing Professionals annual conference in Atlanta. She also gave the presentation "Preschool Programs in ASHA Accredited Universities" at the same conference and at the Missouri Speech-Language-Hearing Association state conference in Osage Beach, Mo., where she also co-presented "Play Behaviors of African-American Children." She presented "Providing Services for Multicultural and Multilingual Individuals" at the University of Missouri-Columbia National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association annual update seminar. She also co-wrote "Considerations When Working With Interpreters" and "A Vietnamese Interpreter's Story: A Case Study," which appeared in *Communication Disorders Quarterly*.

Dr. John T. James (educational leadership and higher education) wrote the article "Saint Louis: Gateway to the West for Catholic Education," which appeared in *Momentum*. He has been named guest editor for the *Journal of Public Relations*, which will publish a special edition on "Best Public Relations Practices in Private and Charter Schools."

Dr. Georgia Johnston (English) wrote "Politics of Retrospective Space in Virginia Woolf's 'A Sketch of the Past,'" which has been published as a book chapter in *Mapping the Self: Space, Identity, Discourse in British Auto/Biography*.

Sandra H. Johnson (law) spoke at a press conference at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., which focused on research published in the *Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics* in its symposium issue on improving the treatment for pain regarding legal, regulatory and research perspectives.

Johnson edited the issue and also wrote a book about changes in state legislation during the past five years regarding disciplinary actions against physicians.

Dr. Ellen Carol Jones (English/international studies) wrote "Border Disputes," which appeared in the book *James Joyce and the Difference of Language*. A revision of this essay, "Dividing Lines," is also being published in *Borderlines in Irish Writing*.

Dr. John P. Keithley (accounting) participated as panel moderator and discussant at the Audit Committee Institute roundtable "Building a Framework for Effective Audit Committee Oversight."

Dr. Thomas J. Kramer (Center for Organizational

Learning and Psychology) edited a special edition of *The Psychologist Manager Journal* titled "Organizational Learning and the Bottom Line." He and Dr. Ed Sabin (psychology) wrote the article "Managing the Organizational Learning Process to Improve the Bottom Line" for that edition.

Dr. Terry Leet (public health) was co-investigator for three poster presentations given at the annual American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology conference in New Orleans. They included "Risk of Fetal Macrosomia Among Women with Weight Changes Prior to Second Birth" with Angela Recktenwald (public health) Robert J. Blaskiewicz, M.D., (obstetrics, gynecology and women's health) and students Kathleen Gardiner and Autumn Grim; "Neonatal and Post-neonatal Mortality in Twins: The Role of Birth Order" with Huai Y. Cheng (internal medicine/geriatrics) and students Abhinai K. Gupta and Prashant Dinesh; and "Method of Delivery Impacts Neonatal Mortality in Very Low Birth Weight Singleton Infants" with Alex Befeler, M.D., (internal medicine/gastroenterology) and Brenda J. Grossman, M.D., (pathology).

Dr. Robert P. Mai (educational studies) co-wrote the book *Leader as Communicator: Strategies and Tactics to Build Loyalty, Focus Effort and Spark Creativity*. He also wrote the article "Coaching for Learning: Lessons for Organizational Renewal" in *The Psychologist Manager Journal*.

Dr. Hisako Matsuo (research methodology) was a consultant for the needs assessment of refugee parents in the St. Louis area conducted by the Bridges Refugee Youth and Children's Service, a national organization funded by the Department of Health.

Dr. Jeffrey Mayer (public health) wrote "Are the Public Health Workforce Competencies Predictive of Essential Service Performance? A Test at a Large Metropolitan Local Health Department," which appeared in the *Journal of Public Health Management and Practice*. He also had the presentation "Prevention Message Fatigue and HAART-related Reduced HIV Concern as Influences on Condom Use Among Urban MSM" accepted for the mid-year scientific conference of the Society for Public Health Education in Las Cruces, N.M.

Dr. Nikki Murdick (educational studies) co-wrote the article "Step by Step: How to Meet the Functional Assessment of Behavior Requirements of IDEA," which appeared in *Beyond Behavior*. She also has been elected the Midwest representative to the board of directors of the Division for Developmental Disabilities' Council for Exceptional Children.

Susie Nanney (public health) had two abstracts accepted for oral presentation at the Parents as Teachers

National Conference: "High 5, Low Fat: A CD-Rom based Nutrition Curriculum" and "Preschool Children and the Obesity Epidemic" with Dr. Debra Haire-Joshu (public health).

Dr. Jean-Louis Pautrot (modern and classical languages) chaired the session "Les Voix/Voies du féminin" at the International Colloquium in 20th French Studies at the University of Illinois at Urbana.

Dr. G.V. Rao (earth and atmospheric sciences) co-edited the book *Air Quality*.

Dr. Paul Shore (educational studies) presented the paper "The Several Lives of St. John Nepomuk" at the American Catholic Historical Society spring conference in Scranton, Pa.

Dr. Hemla Singaravelu and graduate student Traci Hodges (counseling and family therapy) will present "Beyond Racism and Sexism: Colorism and Career Decision-making for African-American Women" at the Career Development Across the Lifespan Conference.

Dr. Jonathan C. Smith (American studies) delivered the paper "Speak for Me: Memory, Community and Voice in African-American Funeral Programs" at the "Critical Moments: Re-membering Community and Self" conference held at Emory University.

Dr. Shawn Smith (American studies) presented the paper "Whiteness and the Optical Unconscious" at the international narrative conference in Berkeley, Calif.

Dr. Kent Staley (philosophy) presented the paper "Agency and Objectivity in the Search for the Top Quark" at the Johns Hopkins

University conference on scientific evidence.

Dr. Travis Threats (communication sciences and disorders)

presented "The International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF): Implications Across the Lifespan" at a seminar for the Illinois Speech-Language-Hearing Association.

William R. True, M.D., (public health) received the 2002-2003 St. Martin de Porres Teacher of the Year award from PHEBBE, the doctoral student association of the School of Public Health.

Stacie Walton, M.D., (public health) and Timothy P. Hickman, M.D., (curricular affairs) were co-lead facilitators for "Becoming Culturally Competent: A Workshop for Health Professions Educators

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SLU honors outstanding employees through SLUStars program

Saint Louis University recently honored four employees for their contributions to the University and to the community. Ken Fleischmann, Joan Lurkins, Walter Vaughn and Debra Wilson were recognized as SLUStars during a breakfast May 22 at Bannister House.

The SLUStars program honors employees who demonstrate professionalism and behavior consistent with the University's guiding principles and whose accomplishments further SLU's mission.

A SLU employee since 1989, Fleischmann is senior associate general counsel, providing legal advice in several distinct areas. Working tirelessly in support of the University mission and treating all with dignity and respect, he is an excellent adviser in matters of law as well as helping others deal with job responsibilities. He also is a coach of youth soccer and director of the Special Needs Soccer Association.

Lurkins, a receptionist in the dean's office

for the Doisy School of Allied Health Professions, has made a profound, positive difference through her selflessness. She recently assisted an employee who was having financial trouble and spearheaded a fund-raising drive for that person. She also replaced a student's belongings after they were accidentally destroyed.

Vaughn, who works for printing services, helped an employee in another department get acclimated to SLU, and in the process, discovered the person's mother had cancer. He offered his support and care and helped the individual deal with his grief, especially after his mother had passed on.

Wilson went beyond her job description as coordinator for Micah House to help publicize the program. She also was fundamental in involving SLU students with helping the Cornerstone Early Learning Center acquire playground equipment for children with disabilities.

"These honorees have demonstrated



From left are Walter Vaughn, Ken Fleischmann, Joan Lurkins, Provost Joe Weixlmann, Debra Wilson and Vice President of Human Resources Kathy Hagedorn. (Photo by Chris Waldvogel)

commitment, compassion and competence in their duties at SLU," said Robin Rodriguez, employee relations manager and chairwoman of the SLUStars Committee. "But they also shine as human beings, often going out of their way for the

sake of others."

Do you know someone who exemplifies SLU's Ignatian ideals or has been living out SLU's mission? Nominate that person for a SLUStar Award at www.slu.edu/services/HR/er_awards_stars.html.



HONORING DONORS: More than 350 people, including the Haynes family (above), gathered at Saint Louis University's clock tower April 22 to spread the word that organ and tissue donation makes a difference. The 19th annual Candlelight March included a barbecue, live music and cross-campus march. Donor families, recipients, those on waiting lists for organs and transplant staff members concluded the evening with a candlelit ceremony. Carol Daniel, KMOX-AM 1120 radio personality, served as grand marshal of the parade. (Photo by Nicole Honerkamp)

UNIVERSITY CONDOLENCES

Condolences are extended to the following:

- Joan F. Beaty, legal assistant for general counsel, on the death of her mother, Nancy Stroh, April 16.
- Dr. James Fisher, professor for the department of marketing, on the death of his son, Samuel James Fisher, May 1.
- Joann Watson, senior secretary for the department of continuing medical education, on the death of her mother, Josephine I. Fields, May 12.
- Cary G. Stolar, M.D., assistant professor for the department of radiology, on the death of his father, William A. Stolar, May 14.

- Dr. Norma Anderson, associate professor for the School of Nursing, on the death of her mother, Elvira Graham, May 22.
- Linda M. Smith, senior library assistant for Pius XII Memorial Library, on the death of her father, James Walker, June 2.
- Janet Bafia, editorial assistant for the School of Public Health, on the death of her husband, Leonard Bafia, June 2.
- Mary Alice Kauling, senior department administrator for the department of pharmacological and physiological science, on the death of her mother, Cecelia Keith, June 11.

Ring

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chosen by members of Alpha Sigma Nu, the Jesuit honor society. The award is the only student-sponsored teaching award that encompasses all schools of the University. The award was established to honor Nancy McNeir Ring, the University's first dean of women, who was known for her devotion to the welfare of students.

Smith has assisted students in a variety of capacities during his tenure at SLU, most noticeably as leader of the honors program for the past five years. Smith also serves as faculty adviser to the Presidential Scholars Society; the Golden Key national honor society; and Sigma Tau Delta, the English department's honor society.

He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and serves on the executive board for the local chapter. In addition, Smith acts as the SLU faculty representative for several prestigious postgraduate awards and fellowships, including Marshall, Rhodes, Truman, Mitchell and Rotary scholarships.

"My interaction with students makes getting up and coming to work completely worthwhile," Smith said. "To see their ideas, hopes, dreams and aspirations come to fruition — and to think I played some role as an adviser or teacher along the way — is very rewarding."

According to nominating letters for the award, Smith's devotion to students is not merely lip service. "In my four years here at SLU, I have witnessed no other faculty member who has extended himself or herself for

the sake of the students to the extent which Dr. Smith has," one student wrote. "There has never been a time when I have walked into the honors program office seeking advice when he has not put aside his work and made me feel like his top priority."

Nomination letters also exhibit significant appreciation of Smith's "Great Books" capstone course, a yearlong class designed for upperclass honors students.

"I really love to talk about books," Smith said. "I think that reading them has shaped the way I think about the world, its problems and human interaction. I always hope that students will leave class with a greater sense and appreciation of just how vital literature is to the human experience."

Earning bachelor's and master's degrees at the University of Delaware and a doctorate from Auburn University, Smith came to SLU after teaching for four years at Troy (Ala.) State University and three years at Ithaca (N.Y.) College.

Despite his experience and credentials, Smith gives credit to his SLU students for the enjoyment and fulfillment he gets from his profession.

"I serve on a panel for SLU 101, and I have frequently told parents who visit our campus that students at Saint Louis University are the best students I've ever had the good fortune to work with," he said. "And I sincerely mean it. Our students are very giving, understanding, bright people."

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and Students" at the University of Iowa.

Dr. Gregory Wolf (modern and classical languages) has been elected to a two-year term as secretary of the Missouri Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of German. Wolf wrote "The Bosnian Factor: A Variant of the Heritage Learner in the German Classroom," which appeared in *Teaching German in America: Past Progress and Future Promise*.

Dr. Sara van den Berg (English) presented the paper "Real and Fictive Dwarfs in Jonson's Masques and Plays" at the 2003 meeting of the Renaissance Society of America in Toronto.

Dr. Kathleen Wyrwich (research methodology) co-

wrote "Interpretation of Changes in Health-related Quality of Life: The Remarkable Universality of Half a Standard Deviation" and "Is It Simple or Simplistic?," which appeared in *Medical Care*. She also co-wrote several other articles, including "Retest Reliability of Surveillance Questions on Health-related Quality of Life" for the *Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health*, "Health Utility Measures and the Standard Gamble" in *Academic Emergency Medicine*; and "Clinically Important Changes in Health-related Quality of Life for Patients with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease: An Expert Panel Report" in the *Journal of General Internal Medicine*.

Dr. Michael Yonan (fine and performing arts) delivered the invited lecture "Empress Maria Theresia and the Spaces of Monarchy" at the University of Missouri-Columbia. Yonan's article "Conceptualizing the Kaiserinwitwe: Empress Maria Theresia and her Portraits" appeared in the volume *Widowhood and Visual Culture in Early Modern Europe*. Two further articles on aspects of art in 18th century Vienna are at press with *Eighteenth Century Studies* and the *Austrian History Yearbook*. His review of the Austrian National Gallery's 2002 retrospective of the 18th century sculptor Franz Xaver Messerschmidt will appear in the summer 2003 issue of *Eighteenth Century Studies*.



Inquiring Photographer

What is the most beautiful place you have visited?

"Aspen, Colo. The continental divide is amazing, and I love the weather in the summer."
— Mark Christenson, supervisor, Fusz Food Court



"That's easy. The most beautiful place I have visited would be the Shrine of the Black Madonna in Eureka, Mo. It is just so peaceful and serene."
— Mary Ann Fox, administrative assistant, Emerson Center for Business Ethics

"Galway Bay, Ireland. I accompanied my husband on a religious pilgrimage for people who have disabilities. I would love to go back there someday."
— Mary Wescovich, senior library associate, Omer Poos Law Library



"I would have to say SLU's campus. I just love it here!"
— Faethia Hawthorne, office assistant, School of Law

"I was in the Air Force and saw a lot of beautiful places. My favorite, though, was Trier, the oldest city in Germany. It is picture perfect."
— Keith Stewart, public safety officer, department of public safety



"I love the mountains in Colorado. It is so relaxing and quiet there."
— Zaundra Pinner, senior patient coordinator, department of internal medicine

Milestone prompts close shave

For the first time, annual giving hits \$1 million mark through phoning



Student Jacquie Curry was one of two students who helped shave the head of Dave Nolda, director of annual giving. Nolda promised his phoners that if they could raise \$1 million before May 1, they could shave his head. (Photos by Chris Waldvogel)

A Saint Louis University employee recently let his enthusiasm for the "Campaign for Saint Louis University: Where Knowledge Touches Lives" go to his head — literally.

In support of the campaign, David Nolda allowed two students to lop off his hair with an electric razor.

The director for annual giving programs, Nolda made a promise to his student phoners that if \$1 million was raised through phoning before May 1, they could shave his head.

Jacquie Curry, the phoner who had earned the most money for SLU, and Katie Grzesik, the phoner who received the pledge that boosted the total over the \$1 million mark, were allowed to do the honors.

"I didn't care about the hair," Nolda said. "We had never hit \$1 million through phoning before, and the students and I just were excited about achieving that milestone."

As of June 16, annual giving had raised approximately \$1,045,000 through phoning.

Nolda made a similar offer last year, but student phoners raised \$870,000 in the allotted time. Nolda

decided to try the incentive again, and by the end of fall semester, his team had raised \$518,000 through phoning.

"At that point, I knew there was a good chance we'd hit the million-dollar mark," Nolda said. "But I wasn't sure we could do it before May 1. The entire division of development and University relations and our other SLU friends were very supportive of our goal, though."

Nolda expressed gratitude for dedicated students and generous donors in making the milestone a reality.

"These students phone generous donors year-round," Nolda said. "We have 60 phoners at any given time, and they're dedicated to doing this. Without donors and the students, there would be no million dollars."

By leading the call center, Nolda feels like he's closely connected to the campaign and can see the good his team is doing.

"Sometimes folks forget why we're here and who we work for," Nolda said. "I consider myself lucky to work with SLU students each day. I get to see the benefits of what we raise when the money goes toward their needs."



Professor wins 2003 Pellegrino Medal

Sandra H. Johnson, J.D., LL.M., the Tenet Endowed Chair in Health Law and Ethics is one of four winners of the 2003 Pellegrino Medal for contributions to health care ethics.

The Pellegrino Medal, awarded by the HEAL Institute at Samford University, was first established in 2001. The medal honors individuals recognized nationally for contributions to health care ethics in the spirit of Dr. Edmund D. Pellegrino.

A faculty member at Georgetown University, Pellegrino is a key figure in bioethics. In 1998, the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities presented him its first lifetime achievement award, recognizing him as "the father of the American bioethics movement."

In addition to her appointments as professor of law and professor of health care ethics, Johnson holds faculty appointments as professor of law in internal medicine at the School of Medicine and professor of health care administration at the School of Public

Health. Johnson served as provost from 1998-2002.

Johnson is a co-author of the leading casebook and treatise on health law. The casebook has been used at more than 100 universities in the United States, and the treatise has been cited several times by the United States Supreme Court. She also has written numerous articles in legal and medical journals and has served as a consultant to the Institute of Medicine, American Bar Association, the television program *ER* and other organizations.

She is the director of the Mayday Project on Legal and Regulatory Issues in Pain Relief at the American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics and is law articles editor of the *Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics*. She is a Fellow of the Hastings Center and has received the Distinguished Health Law Teacher Award from the American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics and was also recognized as the Saint Louis University Woman of the Year.

Leader named for division of nuclear medicine

Dr. A. Cahid Civelek, a physician with more than 20 years of experience at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, has been appointed director of the division of nuclear medicine at the School of Medicine.

Civelek, who was born in Antioch, Turkey, said he first became aware of the discipline of nuclear medicine — using radioactive material to create diagnostic images of the body — while volunteering for two years at American hospitals after earning his medical degree in Turkey.

"I found the field very interesting," he said. "To understand nuclear medicine you have to have a

good general understanding of medicine. Very simple images can represent complex functions; it keeps you on your toes."

After returning to Turkey to complete a nuclear medicine residency, Civelek was offered a fellowship at Johns Hopkins, where he stayed for 22 years, ultimately becoming director of nuclear cardiology, medical director of the Nuclear Medicine Technologist School, associate professor and clinical director.

Civelek said his goals are to bring more research projects to the division and to make the division more "user-friendly" by offering accurately interpreted and performed test results more quickly.



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