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OPENERS

Strategic Plan Goes for Board of Trustees Approval in October

It has been a big project, but the strategic plan is almost ready to be presented to the board of trustees for approval in October.

The strategic planning process began last year. In the spring, each Fontbonne constituency gave input to the plan. Students, faculty and staff gathered in groups to discuss

the plan and give ideas on which direction Fontbonne should be heading between the years 1997 and 2002. A draft was prepared.

The plan was then discussed and revised by the vice presidents and the president. The second draft was submitted to the Fontbonne community for their final comments

before getting submitted to the board at their Oct. 17 meeting.

The plan includes seven college-wide strategic directions and four operational imperatives. The strategic directions include non-tuition revenue, academic planning, information technology, enrollment management, salary plan for faculty and staff, increasing the number of full-time faculty and staff and institutional image.

The operational imperatives are balance planning, budgeting, cost control; parking; physical plant; and customer service.

This plan represents the major goals of strategic emphasis for the next five years and serves as a framework for the development of unit-based priorities for action (PFAs). The PFAs will state specific actions, responsibility zones, timelines, costs/savings, and indicators of success to accomplish the goals and objectives of the plan. The PFAs should not be longer than two years in duration.

Progress toward the plan's accomplishment will be monitored by the president and the vice presidents.

"This strategic plan charts the course that will move Fontbonne toward becoming a nationally recognized Catholic College," says Dennis C. Golden, Ed.D., president of Fontbonne. "The entire Fontbonne College Community can take pride in its contribution toward making this plan a reality."

Seven Catholic College Representatives Meet at Fontbonne Over Summer

Catholic colleges are uniquely positioned to make an impact on society, noted Carol Jean Vale, SSJ, president of Chestnut Hill College, keynote speaker at a recent conference of 35 representatives from seven colleges sponsored by the Sisters of St. Joseph.

College representatives gathered at Fontbonne to discuss ways in which their colleges might collaborate in continuing the mission of the Sisters of St. Joseph. The Sisters, founded in 17th century France, now number more than 10,000 members in the United States and sponsor a variety of educational institutions.

In attendance from Fontbonne were Dennis C. Golden, Ed.D., president; Mel Patton, vice president; Joan Lescinski, CSJ, Ph.D., vice president and academic dean; Gary Zack, vice president; Timothy Willard, Ph.D., vice president; Peggy Musen, director of admission; Stephanie Stueber, CSJ, Ph.D., director of

college relations; Ruth Yates, CSJ, director of campus ministry; Mary Carol Anth, CSJ, assistant academic dean; Susan Dunton, Ph.D., associate academic dean; and Deanna Jent, Ph.D., assistant professor.

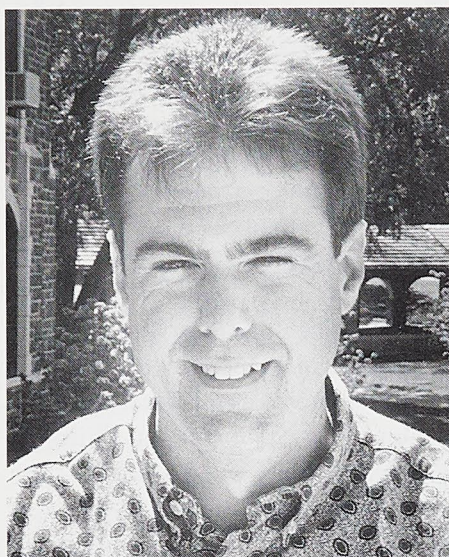
"This conference will assist Fontbonne in a variety of ways," notes President Golden, "particularly by gaining a better understanding of our mutual heritage and our expanding community of interest. At Fontbonne, there is emphasis on scholarship, leadership and service so that students will be well-rounded and better prepared for their lives in a global society."

Other colleges in attendance were Avila College (Kansas City, Mo.), Chestnut Hill College (Philadelphia, Penn.), The College of St. Rose (Albany, N.Y.), Elms College (Springfield, Mass.), Mount St. Mary's College (Los Angeles, Ca.), and Regis College (Weston, Mass.).

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Ben Moore Receives the Joan Goostree Stevens Prize for Excellence in Teaching

"I am deeply grateful for this award, and to the man who endowed it, and to the students who nominated me for it," said Ben Moore at Honors Convocation in May as he accepted The Joan Goostree Stevens Prize for Excellence in Teaching. "But I'm also aware that everything I or anyone else does in the classroom depends on the effort and the talent of a large number of people . . . This award truly has very little to do with me, and everything to do with the efforts and the sacrifices of many other people, some of whom are in this room, and many more who are not."



Ben Moore

Moore, who has been an assistant professor at Fontbonne since August 1994, knew he wanted to teach college English since he was in high school. A native of South Carolina, Moore received his master's degree and doctorate from the University of Iowa. His bachelor's degree was earned at Furman University and included study at the University of London and the Shakespeare Institute at Stratford-upon-Avon.

"I must admit I felt a wee bit guilty receiving this award," says Moore. "There are a lot of people who have been here longer and are more deserving than I."

"I was incredibly happy about the award," says Moore. "Sr. Joan (Lescinski, CSJ, vice president and academic dean) wrote me a letter and said, 'Teaching is more than a

job . . . it is a vocation.' I believe this award represents that. This vocation demands more than the time you put into classes. It requires a commitment of the entire person."

"I've wanted to teach college-level English since I was in high school," says Moore. "I began studying music but was hooked when I took a literature class my freshman year in college. I stayed with it all through graduate school."

Moore teaches early literature: Chaucer, Shakespeare, the history of the English language and 17th and 18th century literature. "The good thing about a small school is that you can teach a wide variety of courses. You are not slotted in a category like at big universities. I also like to teach rhetoric because you get to know your students in a different way."

Moore sums up his recognition with a thought, "I love the educational culture. It is going on long after you're gone. It is an unselfish recognition."

"He is very generous with time and information. He is fair and will go beyond his calling (or perhaps the average teacher's calling) when it comes to assisting in the education of a student, and a class."

— student

" . . . he brings his true self into the classroom and inspires his students to be as passionate about the subject matter as he is. He keeps his students on the ball with his corny jokes and amusing examples, and encourages students to use the same sources he does and talk amongst one another as he does with students . . . He's flexible and sensitive to students' needs. I sincerely feel that Fontbonne is lucky to have an instructor like Ben . . . (he) will talk to students about anything (even anything that is not college-related), and will occasionally join students in pick-up volleyball games or lap running in the Dunham Student Activity Center . . . He'll bend over backward for students if he feels they truly deserve or need his help . . . I have been overwhelmed by the fantastic example he sets for his colleagues, students and anyone who genuinely loves life and learning."

— student

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Martin E. Marty, Ph.D., Speaks at Fontbonne's Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet Annual College Convocation

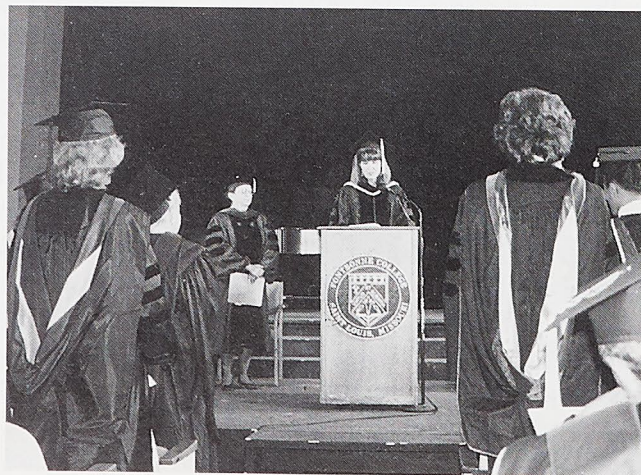
Rev. Martin E. Marty, Ph.D., was the keynote speaker at Fontbonne's Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet Annual College Convocation Aug. 28. The event celebrated the opening of the 1996-97 academic year.

Marty teaches at the University of Chicago, where he received his doctorate in 1956. He serves as the Fairfax M. Cone Distinguished Service Professor there.

Born in West Point, Neb., Marty was ordained into the ministry in 1952 and served for a decade as a Lutheran pastor before joining the University of Chicago faculty in 1962.

The senior editor of the weekly *Christian Century*, editor of the fortnightly newsletter *Context*, co-editor of the quarterly *Church History*, he is also the George B. Caldwell Senior Scholar-in-Residence at the Park Ridge Center for Health, Faith and Ethics.

Jean Wasko, Ph.D., chair of the literature and language department, responds to the faculty charge as her colleagues stand. Joan Lescinski, CSJ, Ph.D., vice president and academic dean (left on stage), delivered the charge.



The author of 45 books, Marty this year is publishing *Under God, Indivisible*, Volume III of his *Modern American Religion* at the University of Chicago Press, which in 1995 published *Fundamentalism Comprehended*, the climax of a five-volume, six-year study.

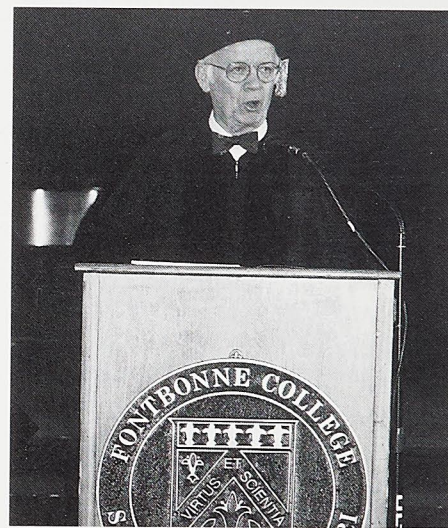
Marty has been honored by the two oldest scholarly societies in the United States, having been elected a member of the American Philosophical Society and a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. The honorary American Antiquarian Association and the Society of American Historians also elected him to membership. He is past president of the American Academy of Religion, the American Society of Church History and the American Catholic Historical Association.

He has been awarded 54 honorary degrees. In 1972 he won the National Book Award for *Righteous Empire*.

Marty, who spoke on the topic "Awe," received an honorary degree, doctor of humane letters, honoris causa, at the ceremony.

Fontbonne's faculty, staff and administration processed in full academic dress.

A reception for Marty followed at Wydown House.



Marty presents the keynote address, "Awe."



Marty visits with faculty and guests at a reception held in his honor at Wydown House.

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New Board Leadership Begins at October Meeting

William H. Walker has been elected chairman of the Fontbonne College board of trustees. He replaces Van-Lear Black III, who has served as member and chairman of the board for 12 years. John D. Valentine will serve as vice chairman. Both will begin their leadership at the Oct. 17 meeting.

Walker has spent his entire career at Price Waterhouse, where he has been a partner since 1977. He received his bachelor's degree from Saint Louis University in 1962 and his law degree from the University of Missouri — Columbia in 1966. He is a member of the Missouri Society of CPAs, Estate Planning Council of St. Louis and American Bar Association Committee on Regulated Utilities, Section of Taxation.

A partner with Lewis, Rice & Fingersh, Valentine received his bachelor's degree from the University of the Pacific in 1974 and his law degree from Saint Louis University in 1978. He has been a frequent speaker on estate planning, probate matters and health care powers of attorney for the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, the Missouri Bar, Saint Louis University and Deaconess Hospital, among others. Valentine serves on a variety of committees as well as the advisory board of directors for the St. Louis Baseball Cardinals.

Three Members Elected to Board of Trustees in May

Three new members of Fontbonne's board of trustees were elected at the May meeting, according to Van-Lear Black III, chairman of the board.

Before moving to St. Louis, Valerie D. Bell most recently served as senior counsel in the legal department of the New York State Urban Development Corporation. She also served as senior attorney for the Long Island Railroad Company.



Bell

Bell earned her bachelor's degree from Princeton University and her law degree from Harvard Law School. She also received a master's degree in public administration from The Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

She is a member of the American Bar Association and serves on the board of directors of the St. Louis Community College Foundation, Confluence St. Louis, and Christian Brothers College High School. She was recently selected for the 1996-1997 class of Leadership St. Louis.

Peter J. Genovese, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of UMB Bank of St. Louis, N.A., began at UMB in 1970.

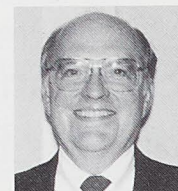
Since 1982, he has been vice chairman of the UMB Financial Corporation, a \$6.3 billion bank holding company.



Genovese

Genovese is chairman and chief executive officer of UMB Bank Southwest headquartered in Springfield, Mo., with locations in Carthage, Joplin and Monett, all in Missouri. He is also a director of UMB Bank Northeast located in Monroe City and Paris, Mo.

Ralph W. Webster III, managing director and chief financial officer of Mississippi Valley Advisors, began at Mississippi Valley Advisors in 1987. Previously he served as vice president and manager of Institutional Trust Service Group at Mercantile Bank of St. Louis Trust Department.



Webster

A native of Chicago, Webster received his bachelor's degree at Holy Cross College in Worcester, Mass., and his master's degree in business administration at the University of Chicago. He served in the U.S. Naval Reserve on active duty between his undergraduate and graduate studies.

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Timothy J. Willard, Ph.D., Appointed Vice President for Development and Institutional Advancement

Timothy J. Willard, Ph.D., has been appointed vice president for development and institutional advancement of Fontbonne College, effective May 16. His responsibilities include raising funds for the College and overseeing alumni relations, college relations and public relations.

Willard previously served as vice president for advancement at Millikin University in Decatur, Ill. Prior to that, he was capital campaign director and director of development at the University of San Diego in San Diego, Calif.

A native of Denver, Co., Willard received his bachelor's degree at Regis College in Denver and his

master's degree and doctorate from the University of Colorado at Boulder. He continued his education at the Institute for Educational Management at Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass.

Willard is currently a member of the board of directors of the American Red Cross, a member of the East Central Illinois Chapter of National Society of Fund Raising Executives (NSFRE), a member of the American Association of Higher Education and a member of the Metro Decatur Chamber of Commerce. He served as chairman of the public service and education division of the United Way of Decatur and Macon County in 1994-95 and 1995-96.



Timothy J. Willard, Ph.D., vice president for development and institutional advancement

Stephanie Stueber, CSJ, Fulfills Term as Interim Vice President of Development and Institutional Advancement

She has worn many hats throughout her years at Fontbonne College. This year Stephanie Stueber, CSJ, donned another hat — that of the interim vice president for development and institutional advancement. And as usual she did it with grace and style.

Forty-eight years ago Sister Stephanie stepped onto the Fontbonne campus as a high school student attending St. Joseph's Academy, then located on the grounds of Fontbonne. After high

school she stayed on campus as a Fontbonne student and graduated with honors four years later.

Sister Stephanie was hired at Fontbonne in 1955 as academic dean.



Stephanie Stueber, CSJ

She was then named director of education in 1966. From 1968 to 1980, she taught English literature and writing, serving as English department chair for six years. Her next hat was that of director of alumni, beginning in 1980. She was named director of college relations in 1989, a position she holds today.

Sister Stephanie received her master's degree and doctorate in English from Saint Louis University. Before coming to Fontbonne, she taught high school English.

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Art Faculty Victor Wang Gains Recognition for Works

This has been an exciting year for Victor S. Wang, assistant professor of art at Fontbonne. He has been able to stretch his artistic wings while gaining recognition at the same time. He has one goal — to be a famous American artist. And he is well on his way.

Wang and his figure paintings were featured in this spring's edition of *Oil Highlights Figures, An American Artist Publication*, printed monthly. The title of the article written by Betsy Schein Goldman is *Eastern Ideas, Western Methods*.

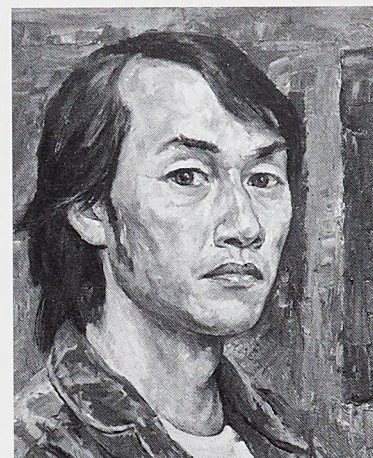
The article tells the story of the 34 years of Wang's life and his method of painting. Several of his works are displayed on the pages of the magazine.

Wang was born and raised in the People's Republic of China. He developed an interest in drawing when he was nine years old.

In 1987 Wang was sponsored by his government to travel to the U.S. as a visiting scholar. When that year was up, Wang enrolled in graduate school. Finding a good fit at Fontbonne, he received a master's degree in art in 1989 and a master's degree of fine arts in 1990. He has taught oil painting at Fontbonne since 1991.

Wang has had several solo shows. His first was at the University of Illinois' gallery in 1988. In May his work was displayed at the Elan Fine Art Gallery on Santa Fe, New Mexico's famous artist's Canyon Road.

Wang currently serves as director of Fontbonne's Library Gallery and is showing his works at Fontbonne with five other St. Louis figurative artists in a show called "Figurative Paintings in St. Louis Today" running through the end of September.



Self-portrait of Victor Wang, 1988

Kathleen Sloan '38 Establishes Endowed Scholarship

Kathleen Cordell Sloan '38, a member of the Heritage Club, finalized an agreement with Fontbonne College on May 6 to establish an endowed scholarship in memory of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. John Mead Sloan, deceased.

Named the Kathleen Cordell Sloan Scholarship, the award will be given to academically qualified Sloan Scholars who have a financial need. There are no restrictions regarding academic discipline, major field of study, etc.

Sloan, a retired teacher, says, "I want to repay Fontbonne for all that it has done for me." She adds that she vividly remembers the kindness and concern shown by the faculty during her days at the College.

Founders' Day Award Recipients Named

Eight individuals will receive the 1996 Founders' Day Award at the recognition dinner on Oct. 17, at The University Club, St. Louis. Approval of the report submitted by the College Committee on Founders' Day Awards was given by the board of trustees at their May 16 meeting.

The 1996 recipients recognized for their distinguished community service are Rosemary Michelson Boedeker '36; Donna Lorretto Gunn, CSJ '61; Anthony Messineo; Francis J. Miller, DDS; Albert and Mary O'Reilly Schoendienst '45; Jeanette Altepeter Wamser '70; and Robert E. Wilson.

Requests for invitations to the Founders' Day Dinner on Oct. 17 can be made by contacting Stephanie Stueber, CSJ, director of college relations, Fontbonne College, 6800 Wydown Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63105-3098; (314) 889-1489.

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Sports Wrap-up

Men's Baseball

The men's baseball team finished the season with a 23-19 overall record and a conference record of 11-5. Freshman T.J. Scharf led the team with a .393 batting average, including six home runs. His 19 doubles were good enough for 10th in the nation in the NCAA Division III. Freshman Scott Doehring was named to the First Team All-Conference. Freshman Brian Kleekamp and senior Matt Stockmann received Honorable Mention and Second Team All-Conference, respectively.

Women's Softball

The Lady Griffins finished the season at 15-12, with a 9-1 league record. Junior Cathy Donley not only made First Team All-Conference, but was second in the nation in triples per game. Senior Diana Pinkley and junior Marie Evans also made First Team All-Conference. Pinkley was among national leaders in ERA with a 1.68. Due to inclement weather, no conference champion was awarded.

Men's Golf

The men's golf team finished the season with some impressive scores. After starting slow, the men rebounded with some great scores, including junior Hong Sang Kim's 87 at MacMurray and senior Paul Cody's 88 at Webster. They finished in the middle of the St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SLIAC) race and look to do well under new coach Lance Thornhill.

Eighth Golf Tourney Is Another Winner

Morning rain didn't dampen the fun of the eighth annual Red Schoendienst/Fontbonne College All-Star Golf Tournament in July. A full field of golfers showed up for the beautiful afternoon weather and a round of golf with Schoendienst, St. Louis Cardinal Baseball Hall of Famer, and several of his celebrity friends.



Mickey Carroll, a munchkin in the Wizard of Oz, added excitement to the auction and donated two ruby red slipper pins.



Golfer Jim Abernathy (right) chats with Jack Buck (in cart), retired voice of the Cardinals on KMOX radio, and Red Schoendienst (left).

Fontbonne's President Serves as Celebrity Host at McMurphy's Grill

June 5 was the day Dennis C. Golden, Ed.D., Fontbonne's president, donned a green apron and served as celebrity host at McMurphy's Grill in downtown St. Louis. Greeting all guests with a smile and a joke, Golden was supported by many visitors from the Fontbonne Community. Several members of the provincial team of

the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet also joined Golden at McMurphy's to show their support.

McMurphy's is owned and operated by St. Patrick's Center and serves as a training facility for mentally ill and homeless individuals who want to make positive changes in their lives.



Faculty, staff, alumni and their families supported celebrity host Dennis Golden, Ed.D. (center with hat), at McMurphy's Grill.

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Alberta Ann Ruys, CSJ, Retires as Head Librarian after 36 Years

Thirty-six years ago, Alberta Ann Ruys, CSJ, received a note from her superior from the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. The note said simply, "Next year you will spend your time at Fontbonne College." Now she is retiring.

"As a student at Fontbonne, I was in awe of everyone at Fontbonne," says Sister Alberta. "I couldn't believe that I would be working there."

After receiving her master's degree in library science from St. Catherine's, Sister Alberta was assigned to Fontbonne as head librarian. Sister Alberta had one assistant, Sister Erman, who was in her 80s. "Sister Erman was wonderful," recalls Sr. Alberta. The two worked in the 30,000-volume library then located on the fourth floor of Ryan Hall.

"The library collection was small but not lacking in quality due to the efforts of Eleanora Baer, Fontbonne's first professional librarian," says Sister Alberta.

"Eleanora still serves Fontbonne by volunteering her services in the archives and I'm very grateful for her loyalty."

In 1967 the new library building was completed on the campus. It was time to move all the books to the new location. Sister Alberta was the one to see that things were done and done smoothly.

"I have never seen so much school spirit at Fontbonne as I did the day that we moved those books," recalls Sister Alberta. "Teachers dismissed students from classes. We had an assembly line-like system. Students would go up the east side of Ryan Hall and down the west side with books for the new library. Posters were hung all over campus. The junior sisters had a scale to show the girls how much weight they lost after all their trips up and down the stairs. We numbered all the new shelves in the library to correspond with the stacks of books in Ryan. We tried to keep the workers in order but if they didn't stay that way



Sister Alberta receives a hug from a guest at her retirement party.

they would know where to put the books. Food service had soda and candy outside for the workers.

"We got all the circulation books moved in one day," says Sister Alberta proudly. "We worked from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and could hardly move when we finished. But we accomplished something, so that meant a lot.

"We received help from sisters, students, librarians at Washington University and even the architects of the library. Afterward we all went to the cafeteria to celebrate. It was a rewarding time," she adds.

"The reference room wasn't ready until the summer, so the 30 junior sisters living on campus moved those books. We had the new library ready when the students returned in the fall."

A native of Kimberly, Wis., Sister Alberta took her final vows to become a Sister of St. Joseph of Carondelet in 1938. Before working at Fontbonne, she taught for 19



The library staff posed for a picture following Sister Alberta's retirement party. From left to right are June Williams, Ling Jiang Thumin, Sister Alberta, Jane Behlmann, CSJ, and Marilyn Miller, CSJ.

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years in grade school and high school. While teaching she took classes at Fontbonne on weekends and Saturdays and graduated in 1952.

In May, the Fontbonne Community celebrated this amazing woman and the years of service she dedicated to Fontbonne. "After all these years in the library I thought nothing would or could ever surprise me. Well! I was wrong!" recalls Sister Alberta. "Everyone knew I was retiring and I knew they'd probably have a little send-off gathering but NEVER did I even vaguely imagine what happened. So many people! Faculty, staff, people I haven't seen for years, relatives, dear friends. I was deeply touched by all that was said, even though I thought they must have been talking about somebody else. As long as I live, I'll remember the afternoon of May 20, the time and effort expended by the president, the dean, the librarians, and the wonderful spirit of my friends and co-workers."

The search for her replacement to work in the 98,000-volume library is on. Until then, Sister Alberta is happy filling her former position. She recently returned from her first trip to Europe. There she visited cousins she had never met and saw where her mother was born in Holland. She hopes to volunteer at a hospital and work in the literacy program.

"I have enjoyed every minute of my 36 years at Fontbonne," says Sister Alberta with a twinkle in her blue eyes. "If someone could stop the aging process, I'd like to stay another 36 years."

It's School Time Again



April Crisman, a freshman deaf education major, and her father, Mark, carry another load from the car to her new residence in St. Joseph Hall.

Senior Erin Mulligan (left) pours chocolate syrup on her ice cream at a social held on the lawn of Wydown House, the president's home. Monica Golden, the president's wife, is prepared to top the sundae with whipped cream.



Sherry and Harley Scheidegger, parents of freshman Jarrett from Herman High School, fill their plates with hors d'oeuvres at the Parents' Reception held in the Caf of the Dunham Student Activity Center.

photos by Richard Finkle

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Computers Installed for Full-Time Faculty Over the Summer

"Recently I had a student come to my office to discuss my experiences in the Peace Corps. As we talked, we decided to go to the Peace Corps Web site on the Internet. We gathered a lot of information about becoming a speech therapist in the Peace Corps. It was fun and exciting. It provided me with an excellent resource to advise a student."

—Susan Lenihan, instructor of deaf education



President Dennis C. Golden and Joan Lescinski, CSJ, vice president and dean for academic affairs, stand amid boxes and boxes of computer equipment delivered over the summer. The equipment was installed in each full-time faculty member's office.

In late July, a truckload of personal computers was delivered to information technology's offices on the third floor of Ryan Hall. During the following weeks, Jim Ott, information technology operations specialist, set up the software on the PCs and installed them in full-time faculty offices. By the time fall semester started, all full-time faculty members had a personal computer and color printer on their desk. With these computers, faculty have e-mail access to their colleagues both on campus and around the world, Internet access for research and to develop relevant sites for their students to reference, word processing and presentation creation software to assist in course and lecture preparation, and spreadsheet and database software for special projects. These computers were made possible through the creation of a special technology fund set up by the board of trustees at the suggestion of President Dennis C. Golden. In addition to faculty computers, the fund has made possible the creation of a technology classroom in Room 6 of the Library. Among other things, this classroom will allow the use of the Internet, electronic "slides," three-dimensional and opaque overhead projection and VCR clips in classroom presentations by both faculty and students.

"This is one of the most significant improvements for faculty which we have seen at the College.

What it allows faculty to do, besides giving us the much needed word- and data-processing capabilities, is to connect with, through e-mail, our colleagues here at Fontbonne, the country and the world. It enables us also, through the Internet, to engage in research and the sharing of ideas, bringing to our students resources far beyond any that we could generate ourselves. Fontbonne College has just built an on/off ramp to the 'information highway.'"

—Joan Lescinski, CSJ, Ph.D., vice president of academic affairs and dean

Two Faculty Members Honored for 25 Years of Service

Donald Burgo, Ph.D., and Bruce Halliday came to Fontbonne in 1971. This year they were honored for their 25 years of service. Burgo was hired as associate professor and chair of the department of theology. He was promoted to professor in 1986. During the 92-93 academic year, he served as acting vice president of academic affairs. Halliday was hired as an instructor and was promoted to associate professor in 1978. He served as chair of the business and administration department for four years.



Donald Burgo, Ph.D., (left to right) President Dennis C. Golden, Ed.D., and Bruce Halliday pose for a photo after the two were honored.

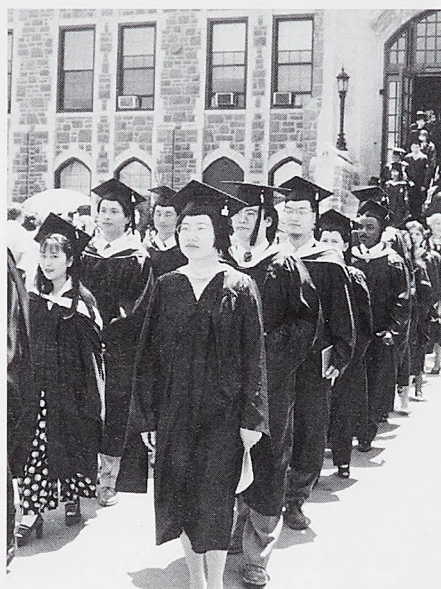
Forging the Future: Leadership for 2000 and Beyond

"Today we are celebrating achievement, recognizing the accomplishments of you who are receiving your degrees," said Catherine McNamee, CSJ, president of the National Catholic Education Association, and keynote speaker at the May 1996 Commencement ceremonies.

"Every act of our lives casts a shadow forward," said Sister Catherine. "We educate ourselves, and we prepare to educate the next generation. We plan, and we take risks. We hope, and we dream. Such actions are investments in the future. Each involves a considerable amount of faith, of courage, of trust in the Lord.



Catherine McNamee, CSJ, president of the National Catholic Educational Association, addresses graduates.



Graduates process out the doors of Ryan Hall leading to the Library Quadrangle for Commencement ceremonies.

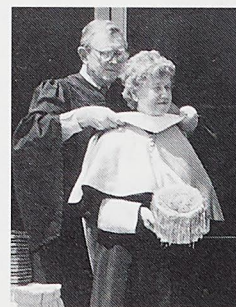
"Unless you plan and dream and take risks today, you cannot hope to build a better world for the 21st century. There will be no world for the next generation to live in except the world you make. This is why both the opportunities and the responsibilities facing you are truly awesome," she continued.

"You, the 1996 graduates of Fontbonne College, can make a difference — through your lives, in your families, in your professions, in your communities. You are the intellectual leaders who can create a future which the world can share."

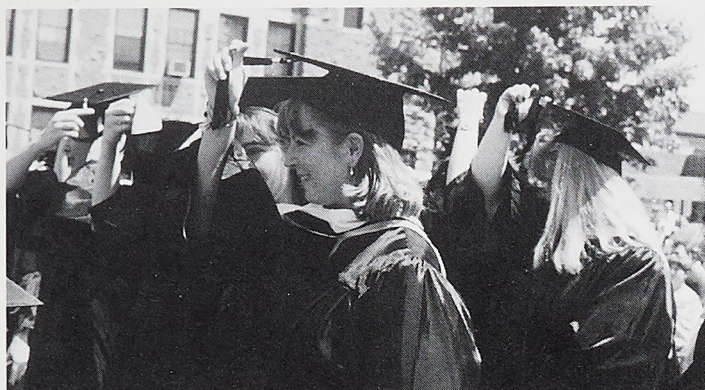
Sister Catherine has served at her current position since 1986. She has also served as dean of Hanley College of the University of Scranton at Scranton, Penn.; president of the College of St. Catherine in St. Paul, Minn.; and president of Trinity College in Burlington, Vt.

She received her doctorate in philosophy and letters at the University of Madrid in Madrid, Spain, in 1967. Sister Catherine earned her master's degree at Boston College in Chestnut Hill, Mass., and her bachelor's degree from the College of St. Rose in Albany, N.Y.

A doctor of humane letters, *honoris causa*, from Fontbonne was bestowed on Sr. Catherine at the ceremony.



Sister Catherine receives her hood from Van-Lear Black III, Fontbonne's board chair.



Graduates move their tassels from right to left after receiving their diplomas.

Kim Bragado, a communication arts major (concentration in public relations), was the recipient of the Alumni Hood.

The Alumni Hood was established in 1938 to honor a graduating senior who has demonstrated in his/her college career the potential of being an outstanding alumnus/alumna. The recipients must have shown loyalty to Fontbonne through service to the College as a whole, to an academic department or to the College Community.

Bragado graduated magna cum laude with a 3.8 on a 4.0 scale. She has been on the dean's list for six semesters. On campus she was the student coordinator of the Fontbonne student chapter of International Association of Business Communicators, task force coordinator for Boosting Alcohol



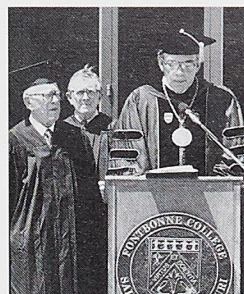
Kim Bragado receives the alumni hood from Betty Amelotti, president of the Alumni Association.

Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students (BACCHUS), editor and a staff writer for the *Fontbanner* (student newspaper), the publicity committee chairperson for the Student Government Association, and a member of the Honor's Association, Hall Council, and the Communication Club. She was honored with a National Collegiate Communication Arts Award, an All-American Scholar Collegiate Award and Campus Service Awards. In April, she completed an internship at Edison Brothers Stores Inc.

Two other persons were the recipients of honorary degrees at Fontbonne. Emmett Doerr, husband of the late Mary Martha Hatch Doerr '35, and Van-Lear Black III, Fontbonne's retiring board of trustees chairman, both received the doctor of humane letters, honoris causa. Doerr accepted this honor on behalf of his late wife.

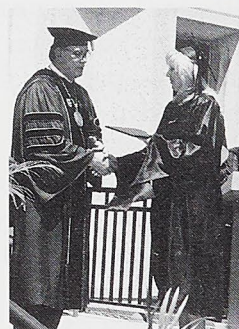
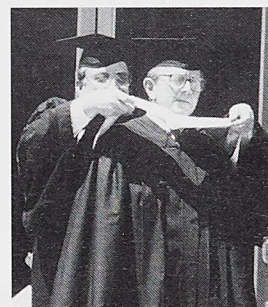
Patricia Chavez, a public relations major, delivered the senior statement to her fellow classmates.

Graduates forged on to a celebration in the Medaille meadow following the ceremony before heading out to make their futures. **FCM**



Emmett Doerr is honored by President Dennis Golden (right) and Van-Lear Black III (back).

Van-Lear Black III receives his hood from William Walker, the new board chairperson.



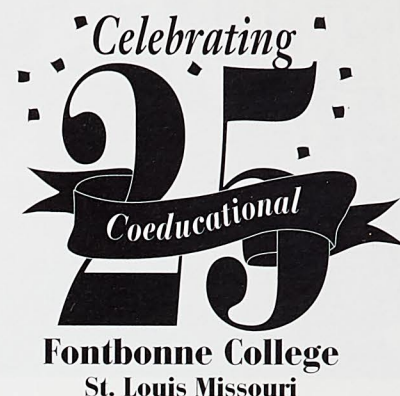
Patricia Hughes, OPTIONS MBA student, shakes hands with President Golden after receiving her diploma.

Graduation Mass



Neil Daniels II, 1996 graduate, receives an anointing for service from Ruth Yates, CSJ, director of campus ministry, at the May Graduation Liturgy.

Coeducational for 25 years: Meeting the Needs of the People and the Times Brings Men to Fontbonne 25 Years Ago



Meeting the needs of the people and the times is the foundation for giving service that led to the founding of the Sisters of St. Joseph in 1650 — and Fontbonne College nearly 300 years later. After teaching elementary and secondary education for years, the Sisters found another need in the community — the need for women's higher education. Fontbonne was chartered in 1917.

As the needs of the times changed, so did Fontbonne. In 1971, males were admitted to selective majors. Twenty-five years later, 1,355 males proudly display a Fontbonne College diploma.

"I felt that the Sisters at that time were doing what we were founded to do — to meet the needs of the time," says Alberta Ann Ruys, CSJ, head librarian in 1971. "Accepting male students kept us true to form."

Imagine (or recall) Fontbonne in the late 1960s. Fontbonne was then described as a small, undergraduate, Catholic College for women. The majority of the students were in the areas of secondary education, elementary education and special education — which includes deaf education and speech pathology. Other strong areas of study were art, home economics, mathematics, music and theater.

There were approximately 730 full-time students at Fontbonne who were taught by a faculty of 66 full-time and approximately 15 part-time instructors. The faculty was divided almost evenly between religious and lay members. About one half of the lay members of the faculty were men.

Approximately 250 women resided on campus while the remainder commuted from the metropolitan St. Louis area. Tuition was \$750 per semester and resident costs varied from \$500 to \$575 per semester. There was also a general fee of \$25 per semester plus various laboratory fees.

Fontbonne's physical plant was in good condition. There were three main classroom buildings, three dormitories, a student center, and a gymnasium. The pride of the campus was a new library, which was completed in the spring of 1968. There was still a considerable amount of open space on the Fontbonne campus, much to the



A male student studies with his female classmates in a residence hall room.

delight of everyone. Several hundred more students could be easily handled by the present facilities.

A lot of thought, surveys and prayers went into the decision to accept men at Fontbonne.

In December of 1969, Roberta Schmidt, CSJ, president of Fontbonne College, and the College Council, the faculty-administrative advisory committee, organized an ad hoc committee on coeducation. This committee was comprised of four faculty members, the director of admission, the career development counselor and two students. This ad hoc committee was charged with the study of the feasibility of Fontbonne College entering significantly into the education of men.

The actual study began with letters — to schools much like Fontbonne, to St. Louis area high school counselors, to colleges that had chosen to become coeducational and to schools that were specifically a women's college (with undergraduate enrollment ranging from 389 to 1088 full-time students).

The committee then decided at this point in their study to survey the attitudes of Fontbonne's administrative, faculty and staff members. It was readily apparent from the results of this survey that there was little opposition to having male students on campus at Fontbonne.

The final survey of the committee was distributed to the students at



The first men's basketball team (1988) poses in the old gymnasium.

Fontbonne. A total of 220 women students responded to this questionnaire.

The Report on Coeducation from the ad hoc committee on coeducation, July 15, 1970, read, "As one might expect, these questions produced numerous comments from the students. It is interesting to note that while the majority of girls wanted Fontbonne to go coeducational, they didn't feel that the college would appeal to many men students. However, many students had thought of transferring from Fontbonne and the main reason for leaving would be to attend a coeducational institution. A large number of students felt that the curriculum at Fontbonne would have to be enlarged, particularly in the areas of mathematics, sciences, and business administration."

"In many respects it was a risk to change Fontbonne from a college for women only to a coeducation institution," says Stephanie Stueber, CSJ, then chair and faculty member of the English department. "For

almost 50 years men had dated Fontbonne women, and come to dances on campus, but had not been in class with them! Why the change?

"The majors originally open to men were art, music and theatre," continues Sister Stephanie. "'Our departments are outstanding,' said the department chairs, 'Why deny them to men?'"

And so the men came. Bob Cassilly '72, Fontbonne's first male graduate, gave up a scholarship at Cleveland School of Art to transfer to Fontbonne. An art major, Cassilly wanted to study under Rudolph Torrini, chairperson of the art department.

"I was so shy back then that I didn't appreciate what I had," laughs Cassilly as he talks about being one of few males at Fontbonne. "It was great back then because I had free run of the art studio. I was grateful for the opportunity to study at Fontbonne."



Cassilly poses with his children, Max and Daisy, on one of the turtles at his latest creation, Turtle Park.

Cassilly returned to Fontbonne 10 years later to earn a master's degree in fine arts. It was then that he met his wife, Gail Soliwoda Cassilly '73. He and his wife are owners of Cassilly and Cassilly, an architectural casting and sculpture business and, the International Development Co., a real-estate firm. They have two children, Daisy and Max.

Cassilly is known for his giant creatures at the Botanical Garden, the Saint Louis Zoo's Living World and the new Turtle Park in St. Louis. He also does work for Busch Gardens, Sea World and the Dallas Zoo (he is making a 67-foot giraffe in St. Louis and will ship it to Texas).

Cassilly was awarded Fontbonne's Founders' Day Distinguished Service Award in Sculptural Architecture in 1995.

In order to strengthen certain programs, men were admitted to art, music and theater in 1971. A newly developed sculpture program was inviting to men. The music department was in need of men for their chorus, as was the theater department, who wanted men to round out their productions.

Mary Charity Dalton, CSJ, was the chair of the theater department and thinks the gradual influx of men contributed to the fact that they were accepted so well. "My department was delighted to have fellows to play men's roles," she says.

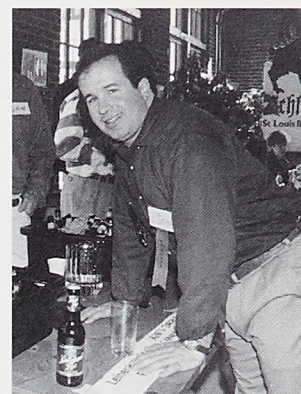
Don Garner was then a professor in the theater program. He agrees that it was a smooth transition. "It was a good thing that happened for the right reasons and we welcomed it with open arms," he says.

Men, who were enrolled in art, music and theater, needed to complete their degree by taking classes in other departments. Rather than have the males go to another college for these requirements, Fontbonne decided to open the entire curriculum to men. In September 1973, the board of trustees approved Fontbonne's coed status.

Although the decision met with a general air of excitement and enthusiasm, there were some misgivings. The alumni wanted Fontbonne to remain an all women's school, as they remembered it. The faculty was concerned about what Fontbonne had to offer male students besides academic programs. There were no clubs or sports teams for social activities.

Fontbonne then added traditional and nontraditional professional and master degree programs and men's athletics. In 1981, Fontbonne saw the inception of its men's collegiate soccer team. In 1988, the men's basketball team made its debut. Fontbonne officially joined Division III National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) on Jan. 8, 1991.

George poses at the Alumni Association 1995 Beer Tasting Event, which he chaired.



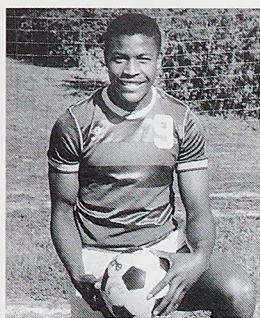
Darren George '89 attended Fontbonne in the evenings during the 1980s. A business major with a concentration in marketing, George worked at McDonnell Douglas during the day and attended classes after work. He has served as a business manager at McDonnell for the last 12 years on the T-45 program.

"I attended a local community college. After graduation, a friend recommended Fontbonne for my four year degree. I didn't look at another school. Fontbonne was perfect for me," says George.

"The classes were small, and the teachers were working in the profession. They didn't teach all from a textbook but from life experience," says George. "The class schedules always worked well with my schedule. The program drew a lot of top-notch students and I enjoyed working on group projects."

George enjoyed his alma mater so much, he comes back often. He serves as treasurer for the Alumni Board and has served as chair of the 1995 Beer Tasting Event and co-chaired the first annual Trivia Night in 1996.

Adewunmi poses for a soccer team photo as a student at Fontbonne.



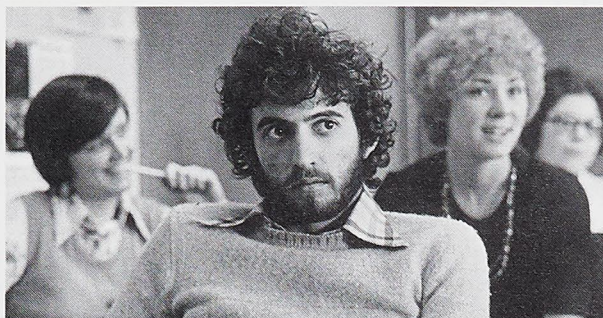
Leonard Adewunmi '91 also came to Fontbonne through a friend's recommendation. An international student from London, Adewunmi started the 3/2 engineering program in conjunction with Washington University and ended up majoring in computer science.

"When I first came to Fontbonne, I was very homesick," recalls Adewunmi. "But living in the residence halls, I made friends quickly. I still keep in contact with many of them. All of them are getting married so I'm going to a lot of weddings lately."

Adewunmi played forward on Fontbonne's soccer team and helped rank the team 13 in the nation in the National Association of Inter-



Fontbonne first admitted men in a few majors, one being art.



A male student attends a business class at Fontbonne in this photo taken March 30, 1976.

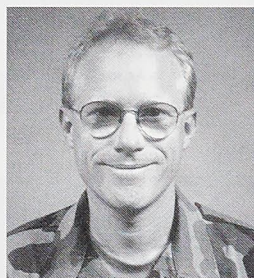
collegiate Athletic (NAIA) District 16 coaches' poll. "The soccer made Fontbonne fun," says Adewunmi. He also served as a residence hall assistant (RA). "The RA job gave me a lot of experience dealing with people," says Adewunmi.

Today Adewunmi owns a grocery delivery service and a Hardee's franchise. "I felt I got a good education at Fontbonne and I am happy with the advice I received from my advisors."

Adewunmi returns to Fontbonne occasionally for Homecoming and the alumni soccer game, to work out in the Dunham Student Activity Center or just to visit his professors.

As the times changed, Fontbonne discovered the need for an accelerated degree program for adults. OPTIONS, offering a master's degree and a bachelor's degree in business, began in 1991.

Jeff Campbell, who plans to graduate in May with a bachelor of arts degree in business from OPTIONS, found Fontbonne to be the perfect solution for him. "Several of my golfing friends went to Fontbonne and highly recommended it. These guys played on the golf team at Fontbonne and raved about Fontbonne's wonderful reputation."



Jeff Campbell, an OPTIONS student, plans to graduate in May.

Currently an airplane mechanic with the Missouri Air National Guard, Campbell hopes to use his degree to get into Officers Candidate School. "I like the accelerated program," says Campbell, who attends class every Tuesday night. "Right now it would be hard for me to sit in a traditional class program." In addition to his job and school, Campbell is helping plan his wedding scheduled for Oct. 19.

Fontbonne's recently revised mission statement reads, "Fontbonne is a *coeducational* institution of higher learning dedicated to the discovery, understanding, preservation and dissemination of truth." Twenty-five years ago, Fontbonne met the needs of *all* students — female and male. Fontbonne is now poised for the 21st century, looking for new ways to meet the educational needs of the world. FCM

Student Internship Opportunities:

Student Boasts Unique Internship



photo by Robyn Neuhalfen

Aime Wolaver, a Fontbonne senior doing a nutrition internship at the Saint Louis Zoo, pets an armadillo while observing it after it was fed.

"I'm the only one in the world that can say I have done this," says Aime Wolaver, a senior dietetics major in the human environmental sciences department at Fontbonne College. "I hope this distinguishes me from all others searching for internships after graduation."

Wolaver served as the first and, as of yet, only nutrition intern at the Saint Louis Zoo.

"I read an article on Jan Dempsey, Saint Louis Zoo's nutritionist, in the newspaper and I told Jan Crites (chairperson of the human environmental sciences (HES) department) that I had an interest in that," says Wolaver.

"I appreciated Aime coming to me and taking the initiative," says Crites. "It helps me figure out ways in which we can personalize field-

based experience to meet student need and interests. This is another way in which faculty can keep program curricula current and meet changing practice needs."

Wolaver completed this internship through a course titled "Practicum in Family and Community Resources," a senior-level course focused on providing the student with a field-based experience that requires the synthesis of theory and practice. Wolaver spent approximately 80-100 hours at the zoo plus the time needed to do her homework and write a journal of her experiences. This is one of the several field-based activities and experiences provided to all students in each of the program areas in HES. These experiences provide students with an opportunity to strengthen the knowledge base, explore alternative practice areas and assist in providing direction for future study. In addition each dietetics major is required during his/her senior year to do two four-week nutrition practicums at a hospital, nursing home or school. Fontbonne's dietetics program is approved by the American Dietetic Association.

Wolaver served her internship under Dempsey, who is one of just 13 nutritionists employed by zoos in this country and the first in St. Louis. She came to St. Louis in June 1994 from the Brookfield Zoo, near Chicago.

Dempsey had worked with interns at the Brookfield Zoo and was

Wolaver measures and weighs food for the animals at the Saint Louis Children's Zoo.

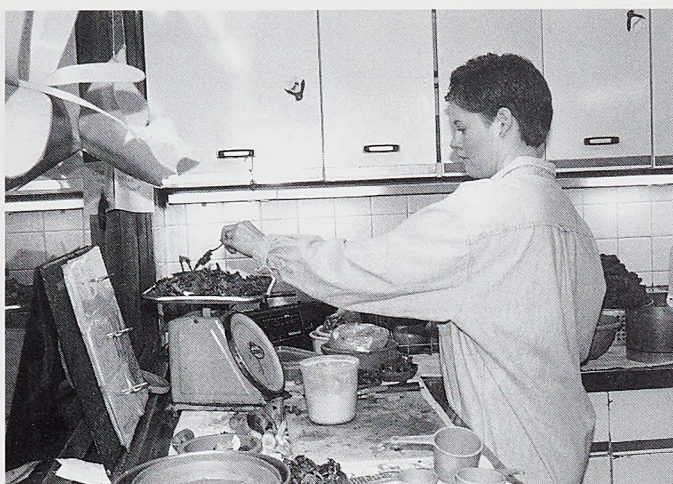


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thrilled to take on Wolaver. "I was given the same opportunity when I was in school," says Dempsey. "When I approached my boss, Dr. R. Eric Miller (director of animal health and research), he enthusiastically supported this program."

"I was very interested in this field. I didn't know zoo nutritionists existed," says Wolaver. "I want to get a master's degree specializing in animal nutrition someday," she says hopefully. "My plans included working with the nutrition of marine mammals. Although there are no specific graduate degree programs like this in the country, I will probably have to work with a university to design my own degree like Jan did at the University of Illinois at Chicago," she adds.

"The role of zoos are changing," says Dempsey. "At first they were just for entertainment. Now their mission is to preserve endangered species for generations to come."

"One of my most rewarding experiences came when some lemurs were

shipped to the Saint Louis Zoo from Madagascar," says Dempsey. "You should have seen them when they got here. They were skinny and ugly. The difference in how they looked then and now is astounding. All it took was a lot of common sense in nutrition. To see it actually work is amazing to me. A zoo nutritionist is an important part of the zoo team."

And Wolaver was glad to be part of that team.

"My job at the zoo was to analyze diets from information gathered at the Children's Zoo,"



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says Wolaver. "I didn't know the requirements for a lot of the animals but I learned."

A typical day for Wolaver included collecting data, weighing food and observing the animals at the time of and after feeding. "You could make the most balanced diet possible, but will they eat it," states Wolaver.

The nutritionist's day often required a lot of commissary management. This involves seeing that the food gets to the keepers, spending time visiting with the curators of different species and even servicing the animal hospital.

"A big part of my time was spent doing computer analysis work. The data collection and number crunching took a lot of time," says Wolaver. "I loved what I was doing and often exceeded the hours I had to put in. I wanted to be there and I wanted to learn."

"It was great to have Aime around to collect that data," says Dempsey. "This way we will have it around for use in the future."

Jan Dempsey (left), Saint Louis Zoo's nutritionist, and Wolaver hold up some of the frozen fish thawing in the kitchen before being fed to the animals.

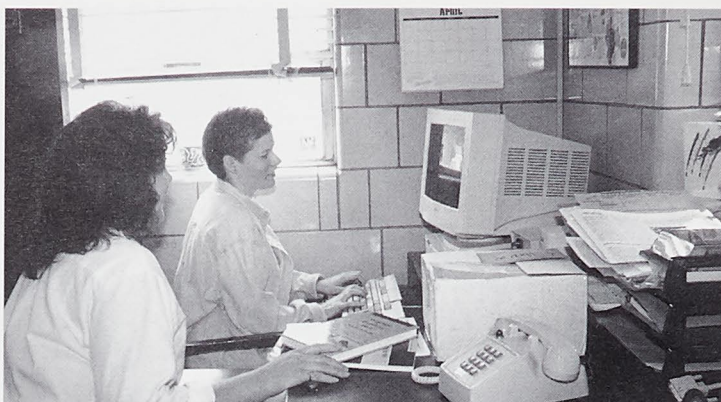
Wolaver went to the library to refer to books and scientific journals for information she couldn't get at the Zoo. "I like people to think on their own. You must learn the process by doing it," she says.

"Even though nutritional requirements for most exotic animals are currently unknown, our diets are scientifically based," says Dempsey. "We use information from ecologists in the field and what is known about laboratory and domestic animals. We base a lot on history, and what has and hasn't worked.

"For instance, the iguana is an herbivore. We feed them a salad-type mixture of leafy greens and other vegetables in addition to a specially manufactured iguana chow which contains the appropriate amounts of vitamins and minerals. Insect eaters receive diets containing meat which are high in protein and fat, similar to the insects they eat in the wild. No animal gets the natural diet they get in the wild. Instead of fresh fish, the sea lions get frozen fish," says Dempsey.

The nutritionist sees that the big cats have a bone day each week. Bones are good for play and for their teeth. The primates, on the other hand, are on a rotation diet. "Food is as important psychologically as it is nutritionally for the primates," explains Dempsey. "It can be used as a form of behavioral enrichment. The food is often hidden to fulfill their instinctive behavior of always searching. Knowing behavioral patterns of animals helps us to see

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Wolaver (right) and Dempsey collect data analysis on animal diets and enter the information in the computer for future reference.

that their nutritional needs are met."

The animal keepers observe the animals daily so they can help Dempsey and her staff do their job. "It's a cooperative effort," she says. Sometimes the curators call to say there is a problem, sometimes the vet calls with nutrition-related health problems.

Dempsey is probably most noted for her assistance to Betsy the black rhino at the Saint Louis Zoo. The endangered species had chronic diarrhea for six months. Betsy had a tooth problem and was spitting out her chaws of hay. She wasn't getting enough fiber. Thanks to Dempsey, Betsy's new diet now consists of leafy branches called browse. Dempsey and her crew now see that the browse is ground to help Betsy chew. This also helps guard against tooth decay. Dempsey then arranged, with special assistance of Trans World Airlines (TWA), to have browse shipped during the winter from Florida to feed Betsy.

Wolaver feels when she graduates from Fontbonne she will be

well prepared to succeed in the world of nutrition. To become a registered dietitian, candidates must have a four-year degree, a nine to 12 month internship and pass the national registration examination. Nationally, there are twice as many students as there are internship opportunities. Fontbonne's placement rate is 90-plus percent (the national average being 50 percent).

Fontbonne can boast national examination success from its students. From 1991-95, five out of the nine opportunities to take the test, 100 percent of Fontbonne students passed.

"I am so glad I decided to transfer to Fontbonne," says Wolaver. "The reputation of Fontbonne's dietetic program is outstanding. I like the way they tailor the program to suit my interests and career plans."

As for her internship, Wolaver says, "The worst part of my internship was chopping all those vegetables, but it's part of it. The experience as a whole has been great. I learned a lot and found it rewarding. I'm thankful I have had this opportunity. Now I can say I am the only one in the world who has done this, at least for a little while." FCM

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Fontbonne Alum Lends Expertise to Oprah

What do mad cow disease and Oprah Winfrey have in common with a Fontbonne alumna? No, this isn't one of those silly jokes. Connie Boschert Diekman '72 knows the answer.

In April, Diekman was selected by the producers of *The Oprah Winfrey Show* to be a guest authority on nutrition and food safety. The topic of the show — "Dangerous Foods" — centered around the recent mad cow disease scare in Great Britain.

Diekman, currently a spokesperson for the American Dietetic Association (ADA), was interviewed by the producers of the *Oprah* show and chosen from four or five people submitted by ADA. "I'm one of 30 spokespersons for the ADA around the country," says Diekman. "The five of us were interviewed, and, I don't know how, but I was selected!"

"This *Oprah* program was a highly emotional show," Diekman recalls. "We were talking about the safety of the food supply and methods

consumers can use to maximize food safety. Among the 13 guests on the panel was a British woman whose granddaughter was ill with mad cow disease."

The show made big news in Chicago — the subject was hot, the National Cattlemen Association representative had some of his comments cut when the show ran over-time, beef commodities dropped, cattlemen were upset, and Oprah's computer chat line was overloaded. What followed was

"Dangerous Foods II," a live consumer-education show about maximizing food safety. "The cattlemen requested the show be produced live so that nothing could be cut this time," adds Diekman. "Not everyone on the first panel was called back for this show, but I was."

Diekman says she got a firsthand education on television production at the national level. "I was in awe of the whole process," says Diekman. "I really didn't have much time to get nervous because they kept me so busy. They did my hair

and my makeup."

This was not the first time Diekman, a native St. Louisan, was a media spokesperson. From 1986 to 1992, Diekman served as KSDK-TV Channel 5 nutrition reporter. She is currently the nutrition expert on the CBS radio network affiliate WBBM in Chicago, where "Eating Right Minute" is aired three times a day during the week. Diekman writes the script in St. Louis and



Connie Boschert Diekman '72

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Connie Diekman with her family. She poses with Leo, her husband, and their children, Daniel and Laura.

travels to Chicago monthly to tape her segments.

"I didn't get to meet Oprah before the show," says Diekman. "I had read somewhere that she does not meet the guests and it is true. Even so, it still amazes me how she can make you feel at ease. She is very good at what she does."

Even after the show is finished taping, Oprah stays with her audience as the guest panelists leave. "She serves her audience's needs," says Diekman. "After the first show, the audience was fired up and had more questions, so she called me back to answer them off the air."

Based on the reputation of the dietetics program at Fontbonne College, Diekman registered there and received her bachelor's degree in 1972. Following an internship at Barnes Hospital and passing her registered dietitian (RD) examination, she worked at the Lipid Research Center, Washington University Medical School. In 1983 she received a graduate degree in counseling from the University of Missouri-St. Louis. She now serves as a nutritional consultant in St. Louis.

The Missouri Dietetic Association recognized Diekman as the "Young Dietitian of the Year" in 1979 and 10 years later as the "Outstanding Dietitian of the Year." She received a Founders' Day Award from Fontbonne College in 1990 for her distinguished service in the field of nutrition and health.

In 1995 Diekman co-chaired with Jan Crites, chairperson of the human environmental sciences department, a drive to meet a challenge grant for the Alumni/Welge Endowed Scholarship in Dietetics and Nutrition. The drive not only met the challenge but went over the top.

Diekman and her husband, Leo, have a 17-year-old son, Daniel, and a 12-year-old daughter, Laura.

Despite her national attention on Oprah and her constant demand as a spokesperson for ADA, Diekman hasn't forgotten her roots — Fontbonne. It is the place where her interest in dietetics flourished and the place where she learned how to be a successful citizen of the world, serving the community through nutrition education.

"Fontbonne was a great place for me — small school, quality program, diversity among students, the real world on a smaller scale," Diekman says. "I'm looking at a college for my son, and I want him in a small school with a quality program. I believe there's more to college than education through books, lectures, and technology."

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Diekman says a few words after being presented a Distinguished Service Award at the Fifth Annual Founders' Day Dinner in 1990.

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1996 Alumni Reunion

Saturday, Oct. 19, 1996

10 a.m.
Doerr Chapel
Ryan Hall

Alumni Mass

All alums, family and friends are welcome.

11:30 a.m.
Alumni Caf'
Dunham Student
Activity Center

Reunion Buffet Brunch

Reunion classes will be seated together. Guests and members of other classes are welcome. Special presentation will be made to the Golden Anniversary Class of 1946. The Alumni Service Award will be presented. All anniversary classes ending in "1" and "6" who are present will have their pictures taken as a group.

11 a.m.
Mabee Gymnasium
Dunham Student
Activity Center

Women's Volleyball Game

Fontbonne Lady Griffins vs.
Webster University

1 p.m.
St. Louis Soccer Park
and Conference Center
One Soccer Park Road,
Fenton, MO

Women's Soccer Game

Fontbonne Lady Griffins vs.
Loras College, IA

3 p.m.
St. Louis Soccer Park
and Conference Center
One Soccer Park Road,
Fenton, MO

Men's Soccer Game

Fontbonne
Griffins vs.
Loras College,
IA



6 p.m.
Wydown House
(formerly St. Agnes
House, 6600 Wydown)

All College Reception

All alumni and guests are invited to a reception at the home of Dr. Dennis Golden and his wife, Monica. Come back and share your memories of Fontbonne with the Golden. Renew friendships with fellow alums and relive special memories.

8 p.m.
Fine Arts Building
Theatre

"An Evening of Radio Theatre"

Sponsored by CALL (Communication Arts, Literature and Language). Presented by Fontbonne students and faculty, the performance will include a variety of old-time comedy and mystery radio episodes. Sound effects and singing commercials highlight the show. This is always a hit with all audiences. It is entertaining to both those who grew up listening to radio theater as well as to those who are of the MTV generation.

9 p.m.
Alumni Caf'
Dunham Student
Activity Center

Homecoming Dance

Open to all alumni, spouses and guests. It features complimentary hors d'oeuvres, cash bar and a DJ, playing dance favorites for all ages.

For more information, contact the alumni office at (314) 889-1447.

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Parent Weekend Begins New Fontbonne Tradition

Friday, November 8, 1996

7:30-8:30 p.m.

Registration & Check-in
Dunham Student Activity Center, lower level
Be sure to pick up your Parent Weekend information packet.

8:30 p.m.

Late Nite with Lee McKinney
Mabee Gymnasium

Intra-squad scrimages — a kick-off to the men's and women's basketball season

8:30 p.m. women's game

9:30 p.m. men's game

Commemorative Late Nite T-shirt given to the first 300 in attendance. All parents will be recognized between the women's and men's games.

10:30 p.m.-1:00 a.m.

Dance

Dunham Student Activity Center, Alumni Caf'
Join the Fontbonne Community with a dance held after the game.
Sponsored by Lee McKinney, Athletic Director
Free admission, cash bar, DJ



Saturday, November 9, 1996

8:45-9:30 a.m.

Registration & Check-in
Ryan Hall, 2nd floor, foyer
(For those who did not pick up their Parent Weekend information packet Friday night)

9:00-9:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast



Parents' Back To School

Session I	9:30-10:45 a.m.		
Course 1	Ryan Hall	rm 407	Bob Butler
Course 2	Stroble Room	rm 413	Stephanie Rhein
	2nd floor, Library		
	• 15 minute break •		
Session II	11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.		
Course I	Ryan Hall	rm 407	Cheryl Baugh
Course 2	Stroble Room	rm 413	Jan Crites
	2nd floor, Library		

Lunch Ryan Hall, Main Dining Room
Join your son/daughter for lunch

Free Time

The afternoon is free
This would be a perfect opportunity to visit the Zoo, Science Center, St. Louis Art Museum or take a walk around the University City Loop or historic Central West End.

5:30 p.m.

President's Reception, Wydown House,
6600 Wydown Blvd.

Come meet Dr. Golden and get acquainted with other parents from the College.

6:30 p.m.

Parent/Student Dinner Gala, Dunham Student Activity Center, Alumni Caf'. Enjoy dinner with your son/daughter and other families. Cash bar.



8:00 p.m.

"Talley's Folly"

Fine Arts Building Studio Theatre
Fontbonne's Fine Arts Department will present the romantic comedy, "Talley's Folly," by Lanford Wilson. Set on July 4, 1944, the fireworks begin when Matt pays an unexpected visit to Sally. Matt and Sally had a brief romance the previous summer, and Matt has come to find out, once and for all, if there is any future for them. But before they can look to the future, they must deal with the painful past. Can this Jewish accountant from St. Louis and the sad-eyed nurse's aid from Lebanon find happiness together?

Sunday, November 10, 1996

11 a.m.

Mass, Mary Martha Hatch Doerr Chapel, Ryan Hall

11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Brunch, Ryan Hall Dining Room
Immediately following Mass. All are welcome to enjoy an á la carte brunch.

Alumni Parents are Wanted!

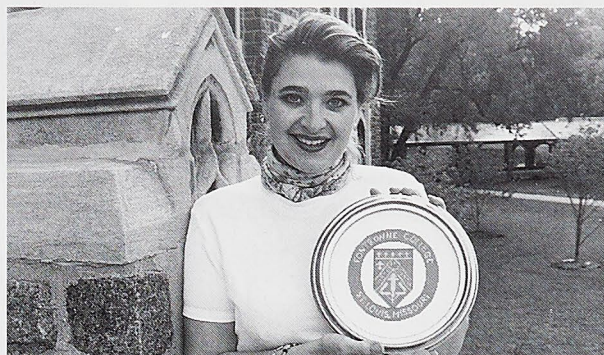
Come back to Fontbonne and experience it all over again. Relive memories and share stories with your child. You both will have something in common — your Fontbonne experience.

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Alumni Association Offers Fontbonne Crest Kits to Sew

The Fontbonne College Alumni Association is offering, exclusively for alums at this time, the opportunity to purchase either a counted cross stitch or needlepoint Fontbonne College crest kit. The cross stitch kit is approximately 8 X 10 inches and sells for \$15 each. The needlepoint kit is approximately 14 inches square and sells for \$38. These kits make beautiful pictures or pillows.

To order, call the alumni office to arrange for a pick-up, or complete the form below and send an additional \$5 for shipping and handling. For more information, call the alumni office at (314) 889-1447.



Julia Simpson, director of alumni relations, holds a framed cross stitch Fontbonne seal made from a kit for sale by the Alumni Association.

Buy One for Yourself and One to Give as a Gift!

# _____	@ \$ _____	Counted cross stitch Fontbonne College Crest	\$15 each
# _____	@ \$ _____	Needlepoint Fontbonne College Crest	\$38
# _____	@ \$ _____	Shipping and Handling	\$5 each

Method of Payment

_____ Check
_____ MasterCard, VISA, Discover
Account Number _____ Exp. Date _____
Signature _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone number (_____) _____

Please return to: Fontbonne College Alumni Office, 6800 Wydown Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63105

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Deaf Education Alums Reunite at Conference in Utah

Thirty deaf education alumni were in attendance at the Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf Convention, held in Snow Bird, Utah, June 25-30. Twenty of the 30 alums presented workshops at the conference.

A reception was jointly hosted by the St. Joseph Institute for the Deaf/ Fontbonne College professional development school partnership sponsored by the Danforth Foundation. Several of Fontbonne's deaf education alums were reunited at the reception that was given during the convention.



During a reception at the Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf Conference, several Fontbonne alums were reunited. From left to right are Sharon Elfrink Sanders '92, Mary Henning Bender '88, Maura Berndsen '90 and Susan Penrose '90.

We'll Publish Your News!

Dear Alumni and Parents:

If the address shown on the *Fontbonne College Magazine* label is no longer correct, please send us the label along with the new information. We want to hear your news! All submissions to Alumni Notes are edited for style and brevity. Send your information to the Alumni Office, Fontbonne College, 6800 Wydown Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63105-3098.

Name _____

Class year(s) _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Home and Business Phone _____

Your news item _____

Please continue on a separate sheet if needed. Because of space and deadline constraints, some **Alumni Notes** already submitted will appear in the next issue. Thank you for your news.

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Good Weather Helps Fontbonne Volunteers at Fair St. Louis

Now that the Alumni Association has had a chance to recuperate from popping hundreds of beer and soda can tabs, tallies have been made on the profits at the Fair St. Louis booth operated during the Independence Day weekend. The Fontbonne booth sold over 626 cases of beer and 465 cases of soda, which translated into \$47,000 in sales. Although the Fair won't have the final accounting completed for a couple of months, initial estimates indicate that Fontbonne will reap over \$9,000 in gross proceeds. Thanks to good weather and enthusiastic sellers this is the biggest profit Fontbonne has realized from the Fair, touts Theresa Guempel '89, chairperson of the Fair St. Louis event. The Fair also recognized Fontbonne's efforts with the top award given to a community booth for quality and excellence. A volunteer thank you party was held Saturday, Sept. 14, at Fontbonne.



Some of the volunteers at the Fair St. Louis Fontbonne booth included: (left to right) first row: Marianne Schanthal '96, Julie Daniel '93. Second row: Marilyn Schmidt Diel '65, Betty Bowmen '87, Elizabeth Simpson, Norene Diel, Kristie Schanthal, Donya Schanthal, Michelle Ungerank '93, Darlene Diel '94 and Steve Yoeman.

Alumni Events and Opportunities

Are you interested in becoming more involved? The Alumni Association is looking for volunteers. Here are some of the events and activities or committees planned for the next year. Please check the following if you would be interested in volunteering, participating or just finding out about:

- _____ Reunion — Oct. 17, 1996
- _____ Holiday Auction — Nov. 14, 1996
- _____ Lenten Day of Prayer— February 1997
- _____ Annual Phonathon— March 17-25 and April 15-25, 1997
- _____ Spring Fashion Show— TBA
- _____ Opening Night at the Muni— June 1997
- _____ Fair St. Louis— July 4, 5, 6, 1997
- _____ Future member of the Fontbonne Alumni Executive Board _____ class year
- _____ Class Agents Representative

Do you have ideas that you would like to see sponsored by the Association? We would like to hear from you.

Name: _____

Address _____

Phone Number: () _____ Class year: _____

Mail this form to: Alumni Relations Office, Fontbonne College, 6800 Wydown Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63105-3098
or call the alumni relations office at (314) 889-1447 or send e-mail to jsimpson.fontbonne.edu

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Alumni Notes

1950s

Nancy Jane Keefe Reynolds '57 retired from teaching music 27 years with Francis Howell School District. Reynolds was also appointed by Governor Carnahan to the Missouri Commission on Human Rights, representing the 9th Congressional District.

1960s

Dorothy C. Pazdernik Meyers '65 was selected to participate in The Leadership Center's 1996-97 Community Leadership Program for Teachers. Meyers is currently teaching at Bayless Intermediate School.

Roberta Nunns Flynn '65 is working on a doctorate in clinical psychology at Western American University in San Diego, Calif., and doing an internship at St. Vincent De Paul.

1970s

Nancy Marsh, CSJ, '70 celebrated her 25th anniversary as a Sister of St. Joseph of Carondelet on June 8. Sister Nancy serves as a nurse in Atlanta, Ga.

Faye Meyer Holdenried '70 received the "Teacher of the Year" award for the 1995-96 school year at River Bend Elementary School in the Parkway School District. She is the performing arts specialist, archivist as well as evaluator of the River Bend-University of Missouri — St. Louis professional development school. Holdenried

was also a finalist for Parkway School District "Teacher of the Year." In August 1995 she served on a panel for enhanced assessments at the St. Louis Professional Development School collaborative retreat. Last February she was a co-presenter on music technology at the St. Louis American Orff Schulwerk Association. She currently serves on the board of the St. Louis American Orff Schulwerk Association.

Mary Beth Cordes '75 graduated from Governors State University with a master of science degree in nursing, restorative care, clinical nurse specialist. While working toward her graduate degree, Cordes completed two clinical practicums at Christ Hospital and Medical Center. Focusing on restorative care for maternal-child populations, she implemented the five sub-roles of the clinical nurse specialist: clinician, researcher, consultant, educator and manager.

Maria Basar Wood '79 earned an early childhood credential from the American Montessori Society. She has been working in a Montessori classroom since March of 1990.

1980s

Marie Boykin Scott '80 recently participated in a series of discussions sponsored by Forest Park Community College. The program, "Contributions of African-Americans - Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow," focused on African-American history and cultural activities.

Judy Moss '87, coordinator of the Poplar Bluff Regional Telecommunication Community Resource Center, was the guest speaker for Women Aware in Poplar Bluff, Mo. Moss's presentation was titled "Bringing Distance Learning via Telecommunications to Poplar Bluff." A certified economic development professional with the American Economic Development Council, she is one of only six counselors for the Missouri Industrial Development Council.

1990s

Bryan Jonathon Tollman '90 received his doctorate in strategic management in May from the University of South Africa.

Marvin Talley '93 is the new sixth grade art teacher for Riverview Gardens School.

Thomas G. Carley II '93 recently returned to the St. Louis area and accepted a position with Boatmen's National Bank as a corporate banking officer for the east region.

Julie Re Rothmeyer '93 has been promoted to assistant manager of AAA Health Care Management Services., a division of AAA Credit Service, Inc. in Belleville, Ill.

Vivian Gibson '94 was featured in the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, Oct. 5, 1995, for her Viv's Caribbean Heat, a hot seasoning sauce. Gibson is the divisional assistant for St. Louis Public Schools.

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Births

Mary Sue Metzger Curless '78 and husband, Brad, announce the birth of their daughter, Anne Elizabeth, May 13, 1995. She was welcomed by her big brother, Neil.

Jacqueline Day McPherron '89 and husband, Conan, announce the birth of their daughter, Tegan Kelci, November 21, 1995.

Marjorie Shields Golez '86 and husband, Mark, announce the birth of their son, Alexander Akio, on March 25.

Kitty Fleming Schroht '81 and husband, Jon, are pleased to announce the arrival of their daughter, Brittney Eileen.

Julianna Reardon '94 and her husband, Dan, announce the birth of their second daughter, Katelyn Marie, on March 14. She joins her sister, Emily Margaret, born May 4, 1994.

Beth Ringo Werkmeister '89 and husband, Brian, announce the birth of their second child, Lauren Elizabeth, born April 25. She joins her older brother, Bradley.

Jeanne Leritz Callahan '51 announces the birth of her granddaughter, Mary Grace Darland.

Betty Baerveldt Glickert '51 announces the birth of her grandson, John Glickert.

Marriages

Tammie D. Billups '92 and Craig D. Wheeler were married on June 29. **Maurice Billups '93** and **Avril Lawshe '91** were members of the wedding party.

Laurie T. Tillman '83 and Dewey W. Hensley were married on June 17, 1995. The couple resides in Virginia.

Thomas G. Carley II '93 and Lorie Rogers were married on January 27.

Deaths

The Fontbonne College Alumni Association expresses sympathy to the families of the following alumni who died:

Marjorie Whalen McAndrew '32, **Clare Loyola Harder '36**, **Ellen Hyman Rose '69**, **Marylee Byrnes Raidt '50**.

The Alumni Association also expresses sympathy to the following alumni on the death of an immediate relative:

Clare Whalen Casey '30, sister; **Marjorie; Rose M. Tlappek Perkinson '41**, husband; **Madeline Perkinson Sausville '34**, brother; **William; Kathleen Gentile Sheridan '61**, mother; **Lucy R. Pennoyer Bodet '78**, mother; **Alice Igoe Thompson '29**, brother; **Thomas J. Sr.; Margaret Evelyn AuBuchon Gremaud '44**, mother; **Mary Virginia AuBuchon Lynam '47**, mother; **Virginia Lee Flaherty Mottaz '37**, husband; **Dorothy Pazdernik Meyers '65**, father; **Anne C. Meyer '34**, sister; **Grace; Jaclyn Meyer '44**, sister; **Grace; Maggie M. Pud Faust '58**, mother; **Mary Agnes Faust Parks '67**, mother; **Patricia O'Brien Sainz '73**, brother; **Tim; Paula Lorsbach '62**, mother; **Dotty Steele '67**, aunt; **Clare Loyola Harder '36; Gertrude Volk '54**, son; **George; Barbara Volk, CSJ '58**, brother; **George; Myrtho Prophete Aaron '80**, father; **Mary Fava Sidney '74**, father; **Maria Basar Wood '79**, father.

Faculty Member at Fontbonne and St. Joseph's Institute for the Deaf Dies

Linda Zolg, CSJ, lecturer in deaf education at Fontbonne College and faculty member at St. Joseph's Institute for the Deaf, died of cancer on Aug. 28.

A native of Toledo, Ohio, Zolg received her bachelor's degree in deaf education from Fontbonne College in 1966. She held a master's degree in education from Boston University and had been on the Institute faculty for 30 years.

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