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The mission of Madonna University, a Catholic and Franciscan institution of higher learning, is to instill in its students Christian humanistic values, intellectual inquiry, a respect for diversity, and a commitment to serving others through a liberal arts education, integrated with career preparation and based on the truths and principles recognized within a Catholic tradition.

- Madonna's mission receives its spirit from these Franciscan Values:
- Respect for the dignity of each person
- Peace and justice
- Reverence for creation
- Franciscan intellectual tradition

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Cover Photo:

And the Emmy goes to...

The Michigan Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences (NATAS) presented Emmy awards to a Madonna alumni trio and a current student – all television and video communications majors. Pictured here are Christina Warren, Adam Guth, Jeremy Salo and Christy Derry. The first three received the Emmy for their documentary "The Life and Times of Pablo Davis," a project of Madonna's Broadcast Club that took more than three years to complete. Derry garnered an honorable mention for her music video "Guilt."

COMMENCING TOWARD



Camera phones and the latest digital video technology captured the moment as 980 graduates received their diplomas and joined the Madonna University alumni ranks at the 60th commencement May 5. Some 700 students received a bachelor's degree, associate's degree or certificate, and the remainder earned their master's degree.

Bishop John M. Quinn, auxiliary bishop, Archdiocese of Detroit and Madonna trustee gave the invocation, and Ernest I. Nolan, vice president for academic administration presided over the ceremony. The mace bearer was Kevin King, director of the sport management program in the College of Education.



(Above): Smiles of success light the faces of nursing graduates Kristina Martinico and Abdul Alawie.

(Left): Proud graduates from the Southwest Women's Educational Empowerment Project from L-R: Carmen Romero, Ana Tellado, Angelica Bonesi, Linda Withers, and Lowlette Powe-Evans.



a.) An honorary Doctor of Humanities degree is conferred upon Sister Mary Janice Ziolkowski, CSSF, '59. b.) After receiving an honorary Doctor of Business Administration degree, retired General Motors Vice President Ed Czapor told graduates. "Time is precious. Use it wisely. Never, never, never stop learning. Make new friends every day. Give yourself a grade every night before you retire. With this discipline, you'll be successful and very happy." c.) Carole Booms, director of alumni relations, and Joan Duggan, '73, the Distinguished Alumna Award winner led graduates in the alumni pledge.

MORE SUCCESS

MADONNA



At a recent Madonna Foundation Board meeting, 3M representative Kathleen Fortier (third from left), presented a \$50,000 check to the following Foundation Board Members: Robert Sajdak, Mike Obloy, Bishop Quinn, Sister Rose Marie Kujawa and Walter Knysz.

3M Awards Web Grant

Madonna University was awarded a 3M Vision Grant of \$50,000 (over three years) for the "Improve STATUS" project. The objective of Improve STATUS is to develop a web portal that community-based organizations and small businesses can access to request technical assistance developing applications such as web sites, office applications, databases or health promotion campaigns.



Andrew Domzalski, MATESOL professor, throws a strike for student scholarships.

Bowling for Scholars

Just over 90 alumni, faculty, staff, and their family and friends enjoyed an evening of cosmic bowling while raising money for graduate student scholarships. As part of the Graduate School's 25th anniversary celebration, the event included a silent auction, 50/50 raffle, mystery games, and plenty of fun to spare.



Panelists Noel Saleh, president of the Arab Community Center for Economic & Social Services; Fr. Donald Hanchon, Holy Redeemer Church; Alicia Villarreal, executive director of Latino Family Services; and Juan Escareno, lead organizer for MOSES, discuss immigration and the community.

Immigration Policy Discussed

Madonna was host to a conference that took an in-depth look at immigration policy. "The purpose of the conference was to get area leaders to discuss the local implications of changes to immigration policy and how the common person would be affected," said Ozzie Rivera, director of multicultural affairs and organizer of the event.

The event took place prior to the United States senate rejecting SB 1348. Had the bill passed, it would have allowed millions of illegal immigrants to remain in the United States and a new temporary worker program would have formed.

Cecilia Munoz, senior vice-president for the National Council of La Raza, an organization dedicated to improving the lives of Hispanic Americans, was the keynote speaker. Her speech focused on problems immigrants face in their daily work. Following Munoz's lecture, participants attended break-out sessions that addressed community organizing and public policy.

Attendees also screened the film "Milagros: Made in Mexico," directed by Madonna University graduate Martina Guzman. The movie reveals the impact left on Mexican families when men migrate to the United States.

"Immigration is a national, divisive issue," said Rivera. "What tends to be forgotten is that millions of law abiding individuals have been living and working productively in our society for a long time. We need to find an equitable solution."

HAPPENINGS

PAH-FEST



Shooting a commercial for PAH-Fest



Everybody who helped make the first annual PAH-Fest Motown a huge success.



Elmore Leonard becomes part of Bailey Coppola's video prior to Leonard's movie screening.

Madonna University hosted one of the most exciting events to come out of Hollywood this summer. Project Accessible Hollywood (PAH) brought its caravan of innovation and talent to the University for the first annual PAH-fest Motown July 16-22. This unique digital media festival celebrated the lives of everyday people in the metro Detroit area through cell phone art, digital self portraits edited on Apple computers, and Mobiflicks – seven minute digital movies shot and edited over three days at Madonna.

PAH-Fest is the brainchild of Christopher Coppola, nephew of director Francis Ford Coppola and brother to actor Nicholas Cage. "I have always been impressed with the stories of hard-working men and women just

trying to get by in life," said Coppola. "These everyday people know what's important in the scheme of things and have a lot to teach us." He and his wife, Adrienne, and son Bailey were on campus for the entire week of movie-making madness.

In addition to film making, PAH-Fest featured Detroit author Elmore Leonard who screened his film "Out of Sight" and talked with guests about his other works. Another guest storyteller, Josh White Jr., entertained the audience with songs and poems that told stories of Detroit and its people.

"PAH-Fest was an amazing opportunity to spotlight Madonna's Television and Video Communications program," said Madonna instructor and PAH-Fest organizer Sue Boyd. "I'm so proud of our students – those who won as well as those who served as assistant coaches, produced videos, or helped make the week a success. It helped showcase Madonna, brought talented people to our community and gave voice to so many wonderful stories."

To hear Coppola's interview on WWJ radio, and view the Mobiflicks and other digital art created during PAH-Fest Motown, visit www.pahfest.com.



Mobiflicks Winning Team

Katie Freier (assistant coach), Rebecca Ruffi, Mark Pikula; Jillian Szostak, Tamica Dean, Franco Pulice (voiceover talent)
Not pictured: Warren Sobat (coach from Indiana)

HOLLYWOOD MET MOTOWN AT MADONNA

Every Gift Counts



...on campus, in every classroom,
throughout the community



“Every year, dedicated alumni, parents and friends support the Madonna University Annual Fund – and this generosity makes a vital difference. I invite you to join with us again this year and make your gift to support the mission of Madonna University.”

— Warren C. Evans, '75,
Wayne County Sheriff
2008 Annual Fund Chair

The Annual Fund supports various initiatives such as scholarships and financial aid to students, enrichment for the University's distinguished faculty, diverse programming for student activities and organizations, athletics, and building and campus maintenance.

“I recognize that Madonna continues to hold true to the wonderful ideals and Franciscan values that defined the University when I graduated in 1975, and I know that we face new and complicated challenges today and in the years ahead,” said Evans, who earned a bachelor of science in criminal justice.

As chair, Evans will work to strengthen the existing Annual-Fund volunteer structure; to connect with, reeducate and engage alumni about annual giving; and implement a direct mail initiative that emphasizes to alumni the importance of their lifelong relationship with the University.

“Since he graduated, Warren has continually contributed his time and talent to Madonna,” said Andrea Nodge, vice president for advancement. “As chair, he brings to the Annual Fund his leadership, vision and wealth of professional experience.”

An active member of the Madonna alumni community, Evans was honored in 2004 with the Distinguished Alumnus Award for outstanding service to the community. He also serves on

the University's “Leading the Way” Campaign Foundation Board.

Wayne County Sheriff Warren Evans is one of the state's leading criminal justice professionals, having held a broad range of positions in the field over the past 32 years, 20 of which were spent in the sheriff's office.

To learn more about the Annual Fund or to make your gift, visit www.madonna.edu or call 800-852-4951 ext. 5603.

IRA GIVING UPDATE

The IRA Charitable rollover provision which is part of the Pension Protection Act of 2006 allows persons aged 70½ or older to reduce their income from IRAs by rolling over funds to an educational institution.

The Act allows you to roll over up to \$100,000 until December 31, 2007. The amount is deducted from your adjusted gross income. For more information, contact Sr. Mary Danaitha, director of planned giving, 734-432-5665.

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Susan Ostrowski, vice chairman of Madonna's Board of Trustees, and her husband Paul with Sr. Rose Marie. Ostrowski has been elected to the College of Fellows of the Engineering Society of Detroit. She was one of four selected from a field of 22 nominations.

2007-2008

ACCOLADES



Dr. Karen Schmitz and Laura Kull

Laura Kull, a dietetics adjunct assistant professor, played a critical role in passing Michigan SB 403. The law establishes licensure framework for dietitians and nutritionists, sets fees, and creates the Michigan Board of Dietetics and Nutrition. For her work, the Southeastern Michigan Dietetic Association honored her with the **Distinguished Service Award**. The Michigan Dietetic Association (MDA) also expressed its appreciation by presenting Kull with the Registered Dietician of the Year Award.

A registered dietitian since 1994, Kull was chosen for the award from more than 2,000 qualified candidates. She worked with lobbyists, spoke in front of legislators, and wrote the proposal for SB 403.

"Laura is a dynamic instructor in Madonna's dietetics program," said Karen Schmitz, dietetics program director. "Students appreciate her enthusiasm and dedication."

Mary Minock, NEH Distinguished Teaching Professor of Humanities for 2005-07, won two awards at the **Springfed Arts Metro Detroit contest** – honorable mention in poetry and second place for a prose piece that will appear in her memoir. She spent the month of August in Assisi, Italy working on the memoir with Dinitia Smith and Maxine Hong Kingston as readers.

Pictured here from left to right are students from the College of Arts and Humanities who received the **Dr. Ernest I. Nolan award**. Named for the College's former dean and current vice-president for academic administration, the award honors students' academic achievements, leadership skills, and commitment to the University. Each student received a plaque and their name will be inscribed on a plaque in the Arts & Humanities wing.

(L-R): Jaime Yung, MA in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (MATESOL); Francina Graef, MATESOL; Erin Parrish, BA in Sign Language Studies; Stephanie Spackman, BA in Art; Taryn Esóf, BA in English Education; Eric Ruzsala, BA in English Education; Shannon Ellis, BA in English; Carolyn Coules, BA in Sacred Theology; Nora Shkodra, BA in Television and Video Communications.



Dr. Ernest I. Nolan award winners

The following students were inducted into **Kappa Gamma Pi**, the National Catholic College Graduate Honor Society, which exemplifies excellence in leadership, scholarship, faith, and service. A special candlelight ceremony was held in the Founders Room, May 14.

Steven Bahler, Makenzie Bunch, Tina M. Caruana, David Carey, Brian Charlton, Suzanne Cox, Claire Czaplicki, Erin Ashley Dopp, Shannon Ellis, Shannon Ferguson, Shari Froelich, Bridget Furchak, Christina Gallardo, Alexandria C. Gerrick, Angel Rise Glenn, Collene Goodman, Sarah Lynn Graff, Denise Henderson-Bills, Ashley Higgins, Kassi Jacob, Dawna Jeffs, Kellicia M. Johnson, Young-Kyu Kim, Jeanine A. Knight, Mara Anne Kryvicky, Cathryn Kuzdal, Anne L. Lanier, Jennifer Mallory, Alexandria Marshall, Jeff Matte, Laura McDougall, Shannon McKeever-White, Deborah Moore, Neda Naum, Paul Nieten, Patricia S. Radakovich, Michelle Reitz, Angelique Robinson, Shannon M. Rushlow, Eric Ruzsala, Celia Sharpe, Catherine Agnes Sheehan, Charlotte Smith, Kerri Stephenson, Christen Stevens, Mike Taillard, Theresa J. Tobkin, Stacy Ann Horvath Tubbs, Mary H. Tucker, Tiffany Zaremba



Kappa Gamma Pi members Diane Rushlow BSN'79, and her daughter Shannon, who received her bachelor's degree in elementary education and language arts in May.

Jennifer Traub, BS'05 in dietetics, won \$700 and the title of **Official Arnold Healthy Sandwich** in Detroit with her Chicken, Roasted Red Pepper and Gouda Panini recipe. She was featured on the Fox News Morning Show. Find the recipe at <http://arnold.gwbakeries.com/recipeBoxDet.cfm/recipeId/471>

New Detroit recently presented its annual **Closing the Gap Award** to Osvaldo "Ozzie" Rivera to recognize his success in making a positive difference in race relations in the community.

As director of multicultural affairs at Madonna, Rivera champions programs, curricula, and activities that bring people of different backgrounds together based on mutual respect. He recently hosted an immigration conference at the University (see page 4).

As president of Latino Family Services, he brought Southwest Detroit communities together around such issues as AIDS, mental health, and organizing young people.

Rivera provides students a wealth of multicultural, educational, and social programs.

College of Nursing **2007 Flame of Excellence Awards** honored Iverson Industries in Wyandotte, and South Redford Schools Superintendent Linda Hicks.

At the College of Nursing, Iverson Industries received the Mary Breckenridge award for its leadership in promoting employee health initiatives. They partnered with Madonna nursing faculty for health promotion opportunities for employees and their families. "Healthy employees are more productive and safer," said Phillip Kitkowski, vice president for technology and business development at Iverson, when he accepted the award.

Linda Hicks, superintendent of South Redford schools, received the Community Advocate Upstream award for "going against the current" to create a healthy learning environment for students and community. With limited financial resources Hicks advocated for teaching healthy eating habits which the children took home to their parents.

Shirley Charbonneau, social work chairperson; and Randal Hoyer, history professor, received the **inaugural advisor extraordinaire award** at a ceremony recognizing academic advisors. The award was presented by the retiring Ursula Murray, whose years of service were celebrated that day too.



Osvaldo "Ozzie" Rivera



Linda Hicks and Terri Czerwinski, nursing adjunct



Phillip Kitkowski and Betty Dornbrook, nursing assistant professor

- The Michigan Campus Compact service learning conference planning committee selected Sociology Chairperson Jerry Charbonneau's Southwest Detroit Business Association's Bow-Tie Project for inclusion in the 2007 conference program.
- The paralegal studies program received re-approval from the ABA.
- A proposal written by Ellen Smith, forensic science professor, earned a \$52,152 grant for science equipment for students to study DNA sequencing.
- The Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (MATESOL) NS (ESL) endorsement was approved by the Michigan Department of Education.
- Nursing students in Ann Marie Knoerl's class developed a web page within the Livonia Public Schools' Web site. Parents and students can find information about obesity, diabetes and healthy eating at <http://www.livonia.k.12.mi.us/health/diabetes.html>.
- Madonna students, seniors Mary Therese La Palm, Christen Stevens, and Carolyn Coules, along with Gina DeMatteo a junior, were awarded the Pope John Paul II Campus Ministry Award for Winter 2007.

AND MORE



OUR VISION FOR SUCCESS

For 70 years, Madonna has made long range planning a priority. That bold, strategic thinking has resulted in phenomenal success for a host of programs and projects. The current plan – “Vision for the 21st Century (2007-2011)” – focuses on eight goals supported by action strategies.

GOAL 1: MISSION EFFECTIVENESS

Provide opportunities for the Madonna community to share its Catholic Franciscan mission, and apply it to the challenges in society.

Action Strategies:

- Recruit more minority faculty and staff
- Express our Catholic, Franciscan identity through more faith-based lectures and events
- Expand service learning opportunities for students

GOAL 2: ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Promote excellence in teaching, learning and curricular growth and development.

Action Strategies:

- Integrate interdisciplinary, multicultural and international studies across the curriculum
- Develop new programs to meet community needs
- Create plans to attract, reward and retain the best faculty
- Anticipate and plan for “baby boomer” retirements

GOAL 3: TEACHING AND LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES

Integrate teaching/learning technologies in instruction, academic support services and across the curriculum.

Action Strategies:

- Complete first phase of portal project
- Create a sustainable and fixed budget source for technology line items
- Improve network security tools
- Procure funding to install interactive video at outreach sites



Service Learning Opportunities



Multicultural and International Studies



Retain the Best Faculty

GOAL 4: STUDENT FOCUS

Improve processes to support a student-centered approach from recruitment through registration, retention and graduation, to address the education needs of traditional and non-traditional students.

Action Strategies:

- Expand student service options on the web
- Expand services and increase scholarships available for graduate students
- Establish an online tracking of students from admission to post-graduate employment
- Increase proportionality of male and female students
- Augment residence life to raise residential students
- Increase campus life activities to engage more students

GOAL 5: OUTREACH AND LINKAGES

Expand outreach programs and course offerings, while establishing community linkages to increase outreach enrollments and cultivate local and global partnerships.

Action Strategies:

- Investigate corporate partnerships for outreach centers
- Expand International Partnerships (photo of international agreement signing)
- Create new front door and increase academic offerings at Orchard Lake Center

GOAL 6: UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT

Cultivate mutually beneficial relationships with alumni and benefactors.

Action Strategies:

- Create a culture of philanthropy that involves the entire University community
- Market the University competitively, incorporating the brand and Franciscan values
- Prepare for and implement the \$50 million comprehensive campaign

GOAL 7: PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Provide ongoing career development opportunities for all faculty and staff to strengthen the learning environment.

Action Strategies:

- Establish a Franciscan Values taskforce to design activities to educate and engage the University community
- Support faculty grant writing efforts
- Monitor employee satisfaction to maintain strong employee morale

GOAL 8: FACILITIES ENHANCEMENT

Develop and implement a five-year plan for space utilization and expansion that reflects the University's Franciscan values.

Action Strategies:

- Develop funding plan for physical plant upkeep/upgrade
- Implement campus master facilities plan
- Plan for wellness/recreation and other needed buildings
- Renovate space in the academic building



Campus Activities



International Partnerships



Philanthropy — Walid Khalife (right) and Samir Saleh at the Crystal Madonna Gala

70 YEARS OF

The Felician leaders of Madonna University have guided the institution with vision, determination and a pioneering spirit. They have left a legacy of successes for others to build upon.

1937-1945

Sr. Mary Annunciata Smielewski, first dean

- Developed the first goals and objectives for Presentation Junior College
- Encouraged professional development for faculty
- Fostered teacher-student rapport to maintain high academic standards
- Provided a rich co-curricular program to complement academics

1945-1947

Sr. Mary Evangeline Strzyzynski, second dean

- Expanded Presentation Junior College to a four-year liberal arts institution
- Secured the necessary changes in the Articles of Incorporation

1947-1954

Sr. Mary Paula Tokarski, first president

(Madonna College officially opened in June 1947)

- Achieved accreditation by the Michigan Commission on Colleges Accreditation in 1951. She guided the construction of the first residence
- Established the Psycho-Educational Center
- Earned state approval of its teacher education program

1954-1960

Sr. Mary Assumpta Klimas, second president

- Restructured the duties of the president and the dean
- Gained the College membership in the Council for the Advancement of Small Colleges and the North Central Study on Liberal Arts Education
- Achieved regional accreditation in 1959

1960-1965

Sr. Mary Raynelda Makarewicz, third president

- Gained board approval for financial resources for new buildings
- Organized a four-year nursing program
- Supervised construction of the residence hall and academic building

1965-1976

Sr. Mary Danatha Suchyta, fourth president

- Achieved accreditation by three agencies: the North Central Association, the National League for Nursing and the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education. Madonna College gained approval for coeducational enrollment in 1972
- Launched a dozen new programs, including: gerontology, fire science, business administration, criminal justice, and sign language

1976-2001

Sr. Mary Francilene Van de Vyver, fifth president

- Achieved exponential growth in enrollment and new programs
- Created the Center for International Studies and the Office of Multicultural Affairs
- Built the new library, lecture hall and classrooms
- Renamed the College, Madonna University
- Acquired the DiPonio and Maertens buildings
- Offered the first U.S. hospice master's program
- Completed a \$15 million comprehensive campaign

2001-Present

Sr. Rose Marie Kujawa, sixth president

- Expanded international educational partnerships
- Renamed Graduate Studies, the Graduate School
- Encouraged the development of a doctoral nursing program
- Established the Ford Technology Center and increased computer technology
- Championed the construction of Madonna's first stand-alone building in 40 years and Livonia's first LEED certified "green" building

(L to R): Sr. Mary Paula Tokarski, Sr. Mary Assumpta Klimas, Sr. Mary Raynelda Makarewicz, Sr. Mary Danatha Suchyta, Sr. Mary Francilene Van de Vyver, and Sr. Rose Marie Kujawa



PIONEERING SUCCESS

CARTER PARTNERSHIP AWARD

Madonna University and the All Saints Neighborhood Center – Partnership for Community Cohesion received the 2007 Carter Partnership Award. The Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Partnership Award for Campus-Community Collaboration recognizes university and community groups that work together in exceptional ways to improve people's lives and help college students learn the value of community service. The \$10,000 award will be divided equally by the partners to support their program.

Madonna University's partnership with the All Saints Center began in 1999, when the University donated tables, chairs and desks to the newly created center. Soon, Madonna was delivering a host of service-learning activities such as literacy tutoring, health and wellness programming, summer program assistance, neighborhood surveys and asset-mapping, and a residential youth summer camp. In addition, the University provided technical assistance on the design of early childhood and family-based programs which contributed in part to the renovation of the center to meet childcare codes, client tracking systems, and assistance in securing a grant for computer training.

"Each year Madonna has done more and more to support the children in one way or another," said Dennis Nordmoe, executive director of All Saints Neighborhood Center. "The program gets better and better, thanks to all the students and the faculty who get involved." To prove his point, Nordmoe said there were two applicants for every opening for this year's Bridge Camp; a residential summer camp at Madonna that provides children the experience of going to college, to help them see the possibilities for their futures.

"This award is recognition for nearly a decade of collaboration that has been mutually beneficial," said Kevin West, service learning director at Madonna University. "The All Saints Center has brought the neighborhood new life and hope, and our students and faculty have experienced the joy of helping others develop to their potential. It's that community service component of a Madonna education that sets our graduates apart."



This partnership was among four finalists vying for the award. Shown here at the Governor's Service Awards are (L-R): Sr. Victoria Indyk, MU nursing asst. professor; Governor Jennifer Granholm; Michael Turner, youth specialist, All Saints Neighborhood Center (ASNC); Dennis Nordmoe, ASNC executive director; Christine Bell, ASNC youth development director; Kevin West, MU director of service-learning; Amber Lee, MU student; Fonda Gnack, Michigan Campus Compact Americorps* VISTA for MU; Don Tuski, Olivet College president; Mary Therese La Palm and Kristina Bilowus, MU students.



Ted Gish, science professor, discusses zebra mussels with Karina Flores and MU student Anne Zdanowski.

Camp Provides a Taste of College Life

Detroit middle school students experienced college life this summer by spending a week at Madonna University's Bridge Camp. The students, recruited from All Saints Neighborhood Center, engaged in educational activities, sports and quiet reflection.

The goal of Bridge Camp, now in its fourth year, is to encourage students, who may not have been college-bound, to consider attending a university. "We stayed in the dorm and played basketball with the Madonna girls' team and we learned about marine life at the lake," said 12-year-old Tiana Cuevas. "I really want to go to college now."

Anne Zdanowski, Madonna psychology and business major, volunteered as a camp counselor. "I love working with children. Perhaps something I say or do will make a difference to one of them later in life," she said. "The more people who get involved in these children's lives, the better their future can be."

While staying at Madonna, campers produced a television show, visited the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, and investigated marine life onboard the University's pontoon boat at the Orchard Lake Center. Students also experienced the values of Madonna University's "Champion of Character" sports and ethics program while playing soccer and basketball.

RECOGNIZES COMMUNITY COLLABORATION

WHAT'S NEW



Madonna students learn from American Red Cross instructors how to use a fire extinguisher in case they are first on the scene of a fire.

Bilingual Counselor Added

The psychological services clinic welcomes bilingual counselor Florys Gonzalez-Meridith. She will serve both Spanish- and English-speaking clients.

The clinic provides psychology graduate students experience, and community members receive services at a much lower cost. Students are closely supervised by fully-licensed psychologists, according to Jane Kessler, co-director of the clinic.

"Many of our trainees are doing this as a second career after long and successful careers in nursing, education, or business," she said.

Last year, Madonna graduate students provided 2,500 hours of service to the community. The clinic is open year-round, and patients are seen by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 734-432-5493.

Medical Certificates Offered

Beginning the first week of October, students can earn a certificate in pharmacology, EKG, or medical billing and coding through the office of continuing education. Designed to assist displaced workers, these certificate programs offer on-the-job training in various medical professions, and prepare students to take the national exam.

Entry level positions in the healthcare field pay between \$10 and \$15 per hour, and career opportunities in the healthcare industry are projected to grow through 2012. Fees for the certificate programs range from \$999-\$1,499, including books. These noncredit programs are not eligible for financial aid, however payment options are available.

To register for, or learn more about these medical training programs, call 734-432-5804.

Emergency Management Degree Launches

The emergency management degree program will include concentrations in fire science or occupational safety and health. Courses will give students the necessary skills to prepare for, respond to, and recover from natural, manmade, and technological disasters. According to the U.S. Department of Labor, the need for these workers will rise through the year 2014.

"Madonna University has a well-rounded program that covers an array of contemporary subject matter," said faculty member Gary Trujillo, who helped implement the degree. "We're different than just a survey program. Students participate in hands-on learning to gain employable skills."

Ideal candidates for this program are supervisors, risk managers and operations officers. Graduates of the program will have the skills to earn FEMA, NIMS, and first responder certifications.

Kenney to Spearhead Enrollment Efforts



Michael O. Kenney has been hired as vice president for planning and enrollment management, effective July 2. His responsibilities include strategic planning, recruitment and retention of students for both undergraduate and graduate programs.

Kenney comes from Notre Dame University where he was director of gift planning. An attorney and graduate of Notre Dame

and George Washington University, he brings significant experience in enrollment management and admissions at both the undergraduate and graduate levels.

"I was attracted to Madonna by the University community's strong commitment to the Franciscan values," said Kenney. Originally from Michigan, Kenney is pleased to return.



Dina DuBuis, Diane Chapman and Stephanie Saluk, from the registrar's office were among the "1st to Lead the Way!"

Employees Say "Yes" to Campaign

The faculty/staff campaign has proven to be a resounding success! In March, a volunteer team of enthusiastic faculty and staff kicked-off the peer-to-peer solicitation led by Andrea Nodge, vice president for university advancement.

Cecilia Donohue, professor and chairperson in the department of English and communication arts, welcomed the opportunity to serve as a volunteer solicitor and was moved by the experience. "It was particularly rewarding to find names on the contributor list of those I did not get a chance to meet in person, yet they were willing to contribute in response to a handwritten note. Such tangible feedback speaks to the quality of this institution," said Donohue.

In keeping with the "1st to Lead the Way" theme, the University community set the example for others to follow. Cash and pledges surpassed the \$250,000 goal, and the number of full-time faculty/staff contributors was twice that of previous years, resulting in record-breaking totals.

"I feel privileged to head up this portion of our \$50 million 'Leading

the Way' Campaign," said Nodge. "The enthusiasm for the mission and vision of Madonna University is heartwarming. The faculty and staff have demonstrated their support and now our external publics will follow."



Volunteers to Boost Service-Learning

Madonna University will host two AmeriCorps*VISTA members in the 2007-2008 academic year. These Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) will meet community needs and advance Madonna's service capacity. One will be involved in providing more and better service-learning opportunities, while the other will work with first-year students to help them realize their potential.

AmeriCorps*VISTA members will coordinate first-year student service-learning projects like this one at Habitat for Humanity.

Benson Named Associate Dean

Chris Benson, MA '96, CMT '01, MAT '06, former director of the first year experience, has been promoted to associate dean of academic advising and the first year experience. Benson will continue to make students' first year exciting, while also overseeing academic advising and other new tasks.

"It's a pleasure to provide this opportunity for professional growth to a young professional with energy, vision, and drive," said Ernest Nolan, vice president for academic administration.

Benson revised the process for retaining students who were at risk of dropping out of college. She counsels students, plans social activities, engages students in service-learning projects, and equips them with the necessary skills to succeed in college.

Benson is enrolled in a doctoral program at Michigan State University where she plans to earn her Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration.



AT MADONNA

BEYOND THE POND

Alumni news after Madonna

1960's

Sister Veronica Koperski, SFCC, ENG '65, is a professor of theology at Barry University in Florida. After earning her bachelor's degree from Madonna University, she went on to receive master's degrees in English literature and theology from the University of Notre Dame. Sr. Veronica also holds a master's degree in religious studies, a licentiate in sacred theology, a doctorate in sacred theology, and a Ph.D. in religious studies from the Catholic University of Louvain in Belgium.

Sister Paula Mierle, SJ, MUE '65, recently celebrated 50 years as a religious sister in the Servants of Jesus community. After earning her bachelor's degree with a concentration in music education, she pursued her education at Wayne State University, the University of Notre Dame, and Western Michigan University. She has taught elementary and secondary students, as well as students in campus ministry at Ferris State University. Sr. Paula currently teaches part-time and volunteers at St. Andrew's School in Grand Rapids, Mich.



Diann S. (Caccia) Gregory, NUR '69, is most proud of her 36-year marriage, 4 children, 9 grandchildren, a great-grandchild and two grandchildren due this fall. Since graduation, Gregory served in the Army Nurse Corp., earned her master's degree in education from Florida International University and became a certified nurse in midwifery at The Frontier School of Nursing and Midwifery in Kentucky. A professor at Florida's Miami Dade College for 21 years, she owns Gregory Consulting, which provides legal consulting and educational programs for maternity nurses and midwives.

1970's

Joanne Mathias, HIS '71, taught in the Archdiocese of Detroit for 18 years before moving to Georgia to pursue her teaching career in public elementary and high schools. She has completed leadership certification from the State of Georgia, where she was appointed to a special committee that oversees educational standards and evaluates teacher education programs.

1980's

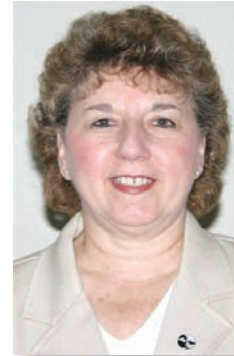
J. Michelle (Anderson) Moccia, NUR '82, is the emergency center educator at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. She has been a national speaker for the American Association of Critical Care Nurses and the Emergency Nurses Association. She has written many journal articles and enjoys spending her free time playing tennis with her husband and three daughters.



Kathy A. (Lyczkowski) Eubanks, BIO '83, is a motivational speaker and author of the book "When It's You Against Them: Keeping a Positive Attitude Despite It All." She has appeared on

the Hallmark Channel's nationally syndicated New Morning show. Eubanks volunteers her time to the Anchor Bay Chamber, St. Mary's School, Senior Nutrition Program, and St. Raymond's Parish in Detroit. She is married and has three daughters.

Richard M. Lapham, BIO '83, works for the State of Michigan's Office of Child Support. A volunteer for the Hamtramck Public Library, he recently trained in Minnesota to be an adult discussion leader for the Big Read Program, funded by the National Endowment for the Arts.



Martha Schultz, ACT '83, from Focus: HOPE was chosen as the top chief financial officer in the non-profit/human services category by Crain's Detroit Business. She was nominated

for helping transform Focus: HOPE by improving the annual net income by 75 percent within four years from a \$12 million deficit. Schultz, who is the first person to receive this new award, was honored at the business magazine's recognition dinner.



Guy H. Quick III, SSC '84, works for Northwest Airlines Education Department at Detroit Metro Airport. He was recently honored at the company's President's Award dinner, in the

category of team support and inspiration. Quick enjoys volunteering, most recently as an Alumni Ambassador at the 2007 graduation mass and commencement ceremony.

Pamela L. (Mastantuono) Harris, NUR '88, was promoted to the role of transformation coordinator at Northern Michigan Hospital. She is responsible for leading the hospital's move to an electronic medical record system.

Jeanne L. (Stubbs) Yakel, ES '89, has been named Walled Lake Consolidated Schools' Teacher of the Year. She is a social studies teacher and National Honor Society advisor at Walled Lake Northern High School. She has been employed by the school district for 17 years.

1990's



Peter P. Wozniak, MSA '92, is the new chief operating officer at Easton Hospital, a 369-bed, acute care teaching hospital serving more than 300,000 residents in Pennsylvania and New Jersey.



Laurie A. (Gomulka) Palazzolo, LAS '94, wrote, produced and directed the film "Dom Polski: The Dance Hall Days of Detroit's Polonia." It is a celebration of Polish immigrant life and culture in

Detroit's east and west side communities in the early 20th century. The film recently premiered at the American-Polish Century Club in Sterling Heights. Palazzolo also wrote "Horn Man: The Polish-American Musician in Twentieth Century Detroit."

Gail M. (Turner) Chambers, HSP '95, MSH '99, is contributing to End of Life research at the University of South Fla. An employee at Tidewell Hospice & Palliative Care in Sarasota, Fla., Chambers feels fortunate to have been involved in a variety of hospice opportunities.

2000's



Brian J. Duffourc, VC '01, and his wife, Jess, announce the birth of their son Dominic Jason – 6 pounds, 4 ounces – at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia May 24. Duffourc's

hobbies include photography and working with computers. He is a sales supervisor at Best Buy.



James E. Ridener, MCJC '02, MSBA '04, is the new chief of police for Westland, Mich. An adjunct professor at MU, Ridener was the first graduate with a Master of Science in business

administration with a concentration in criminal justice program.



Cara A. Murphy, HIS '05, works at the Atlanta law firm Clark & Washington, P.C. as a receptionist. She plans to graduate this winter from the University of Georgia with a paralegal certificate.

Anne S. Grant, MUS '06, is an advertising and publishing account executive for AT&T. She was featured in Madonna's segment of the Channel 7 "College Tour," and volunteered for the Annual Fund Phonathon in the past.

Myung-Hun Jin, GD '06, a Korean native who attended Madonna through the TOBA Institute, was accepted to the graduate program in graphic design at Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, N.Y.



Patricia A. Vaquera, IDS '06, is a senior human resources generalist for Archway Marketing Services. Married to Rudy for 36 years, she enjoys spending time with her four children and three grandchildren,

and volunteering at Madonna's graduation mass and commencement. She is a member of Madonna's Alumni Leadership Advisory Council.



Kevin Zielinski, SM '06, joined the Compuware Sports Arena and Plymouth Whalers staff as a sales and marketing rep. Zielinski interned with the Whalers during the 2005-2006 season.

He enjoys playing sports and is a former employee of the Tournament Players Club of Michigan.

Shannon K. Ellis, ENG '07, is pursuing a master's degree in postcolonial studies from the University of Leeds, one of the top ten research universities in the United Kingdom. She looks forward to teaching and lecturing upon graduation.

STAY CONNECTED

Tell us about your latest news or accomplishments. Send an e-mail to Carole Booms, director of alumni, at cbooms@madonna.edu. To learn about the Alumni Tuition Benefit, get details about the Silver & Gold Club Alumni Luncheon on October 6 or subscribe to the Alumni E-News, visit www.alumni.madonna.edu.

ALUMNI NEWS

SPORTS SHORTS



Madonna Wins 1st Ever WHAC Tournament Title

The Madonna softball team captured their first ever WHAC tournament championship, defeating top-seeded Aquinas College 9-4. With the win, Madonna became the top-seed from the WHAC at the NAIA Region VIII tournament in Battle Creek, Mich.



Lisa Rodriguez

Scholar Athletes Honored

Some 300 Madonna athletes have achieved academic awards over the last five years, including 75 Academic All-Americans. This spring, the following Crusaders were named to the 2007 Daktronics All-America Scholar Athlete team by the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics. The team honors students who earned a 3.5 and above cumulative grade point average.

Women's Golf: Kassi Jacob and Lisa Rodriguez

Baseball: Seniors Gary Van Allen and Mike Hand joined juniors John McCracken, Andy Wojcik, and Mike Cauzillo

Softball: Juniors Liz Ballinger, Christina Finch and Stephanie Day, senior Shannon Noder

Madonna Signs New Recruits

In the past five years 400 men and women have participated in varsity athletics at Madonna University. Their successes are unparalleled among their peers, with 20 conference championships, 11 tournament titles, 6 regional titles and 6 trips to NAIA national championships. The following stellar athletes join the Madonna ranks for the 2007-2008 season.

Women's Golf coach Scott Marzolino picked up Alison Sanborn (Livonia, MI) and Mariel Meyers (Westland, MI)

Men's Golf coach Steve Mato added Josh Brist (Westland, MI) and Austin

Stillman (Livonia, MI).

Volleyball coach Jerry Abraham signed Liz Dempsey (Westland, MI) and Anna-Marie Gatt (Livonia, MI).

Softball coach Al White recruited Jessica Irwin (Monroe, MI).

Baseball coach Greg Haeger picked up Dominic Benavides (Northville, MI) and Nicholas Plinka (Livonia, MI).

The **Men's Cross Country** team signed three runners: Max Guy (Livonia, MI), Brian Robertson (Livonia, MI) and Jacob Burman (Monroe, MI).

Men's Basketball coach Chuck Henry received letters of intent from Ryan Waidmann (Canton,

MI), Gordie Hyde (Richland, MI), Tyler Coker (Whitmore Lake, MI), Geoff Gaylor (Roscommon, MI), and Josh Gay (Woodlan, Ind.).



CALENDAR

September

- 4-7 Welcome Week, Last Week to Register, 432-5400
- 4 Fall Classes Begin
- 6 Julie Martin Memorial Scholarship Dinner (University Center, 7 p.m.) & Tournament Weekend, 432-5604
- 11 September 11th Memorial Mass, 11:30 a.m., 432-5419
- 14 Golf Classic, The Inn at St. John's, 432-5421
- 18 Alumni Leadership Advisory Council Meeting, 6 p.m., 432-5811
- 22 Denis Azabagic, Classical guitarist, in concert, Kresge Hall, 8 p.m., 432-5706
- 23 Classical guitar class with Denis Azabagic, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., 432-5706

October

- 2 Groundbreaking Ceremony, 432-5843
- 4 Franciscan Symposium, Kresge Hall, 432-5428
- 5 Winter class schedule available on-line
- 6 Alumni Reunion 2007, 432-5811
- 6 Alumni Mass, 11:30, University Chapel, 432-5811
- 6 Silver & Gold Club Alumni Luncheon, 2 p.m., University Center, 432-5811
- 12 Community Gathering, 432-5315
- 14 Focus: HOPE Walk, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., 432-5419
- 14-20 Peace and Justice Week, 432-5419
- 22 Winter Registration begins

November

- 1 All Saint's Day Mass, 11:30 a.m., 432-5419
- 2 All Soul's Day Mass, 11:30 a.m., 432-5419
- 2 Michigan Collegiate Job Fair, Burton Manor, Livonia, 432-5623
- 10 Student Open House, 1 -4 p.m., 432-5339
- 13 Alumni Leadership Advisory Council Meeting, 6 p.m., 432-5811
- 15 Interfaith Founders Day Celebration, East Dining Rm., 432-5428
- 21 Founders Day Mass, University Chapel, 432-5428
- 22-23 Thanksgiving Holiday - No classes

December

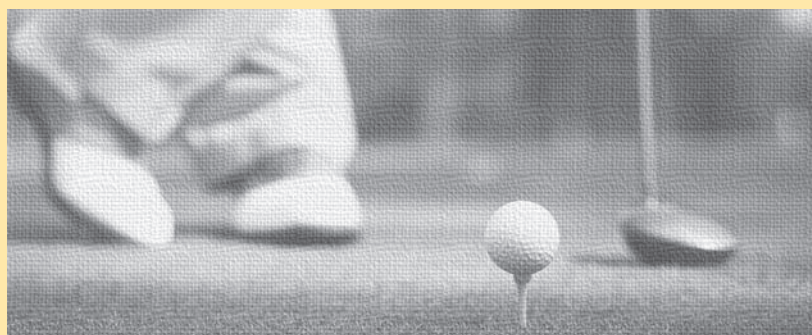
- 1 Advent Retreat, University Center, 432-5419
- 10-15 Final Exam Week
- 24- Jan.2 Winter Break - University Closed

January

- 8 Winter Classes Begin

February

- 13 2008 International Festival, Take-5 Lounge, 12 - 3 p.m., 432-5763
- 14 Job Pursuit 2008, The Lansing Center, Lansing, 432-5623



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New Welcome Center at



Orchard Lake

The Orchard Lake Center (OLC) has a new "front door." Conveniently located at 3735 Commerce Road just west of Orchard Lake Road, the welcome center has been renovated by Monal Construction and features 18 elements of "green" design.

"Along with delivering high-quality undergraduate and graduate courses at

Orchard Lake, we will program lectures and music events that complement what the community offers," said James Novak, dean of outreach and distance learning.

Some 60 guests attended the welcome center dedication June 14, where remarks were delivered by administrators, area political leaders, and Madonna alumna Princella Scott. Madonna trustees Rev.

Timothy Whalen and Sr. Mary Renetta Rumpz blessed the building.

Linda McIntyre is the OLC's new enrollment manager. She has been an admissions counselor for the past seven years at the main campus in Livonia. She joins Novak, Anne Lies, student services coordinator; and Lynn Layton, administrative assistant, at the new welcome center.



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