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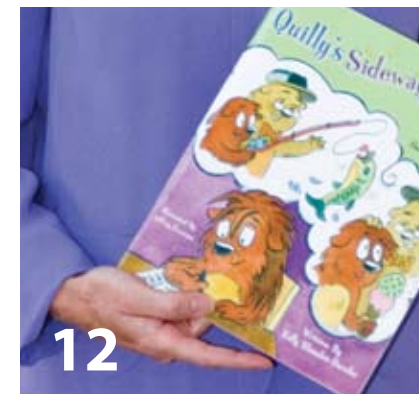
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INSTALLING THE PAST IN THE PRESENT

The stained glass window hanging in the east window of Madonna University's Franciscan Center, was once part of St. John Cantius Church in the former Delray neighborhood of Southwest Detroit. This was the second-oldest, Catholic Polish parish in Detroit, and the home parish of several Felician Sisters including three Madonna University presidents: Sister Mary Raynelda Makarewicz, Sister Mary Danatha Suchyta, and Sister Rose Marie Kujawa.

St. John Cantius the Professor

Born on June 23, 1390, near Krakow, Poland, John Cantius attended local schools as a youth. He then enrolled in the Jagiellonian University in Krakow where he excelled in the study of philosophy and theology. After completing his training, he became a priest and served briefly in a parish. However, his interest was in teaching and scholarship, so he returned to the University where he served as a professor of Sacred Scripture until his death in 1473. He was recognized for his outstanding scholarly work. He also must have been a very strong and fit man, as he made one pilgrimage to Jerusalem and four to Rome. Several miraculous cures were attributed to him during his lifetime and more after his death. Pope Clement XIII proclaimed him a saint in 1767.

The Miracle of the Jug

The 13-by-7-foot window depicts the following story. One day a girl was fetching water. On her way back home she dropped her jug and it broke. St. John Cantius happened to be there and miraculously repaired the jug. When the girl arrived back home with her newly repaired jug, she noticed that the jug no longer held water. Instead it was filled with sweet fresh milk — which was rare at that time. The lesson revealed in this story, is that God will repair us — fill us up and give us more than we had hoped for — if not in this life, then in the next.

Craftsmen from Thompson Art Glass, of Brighton, Mich. carefully installs the stained glass window in the student gathering area of the Franciscan Center.

Recycling goes beyond the practical to the beautiful in the restored stained glass window. It seems very fitting that this tribute to St. John Cantius, the patron saint of teachers and students, has found a new home in the Franciscan Center.



MADONNA | HAPPENINGS



We were blessed with an awesome year of successes; for students, faculty, alumni and friends, in the classroom and athletic competitions, on campus and around the globe. As you read the stories contained in this report, I think you'll agree that our achievements speak for themselves. May our Holy Mother, the Madonna, continue to help us find joy and fruitfulness in our endeavors, and grant us peace. Happy reading!

Sister Rose Marie Kujawa, CSSF

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president

Hollywood Events and Hometown Pride

Movie mavens from around metro-Detroit flocked to Madonna for the third annual Project Accessible Hollywood (PAH-fest). "PAH-fest has been held in Motown, more times than any other city," said PAH-fest creator and filmmaker Christopher Coppola. "Detroit is the one city that has taken the seed and made it grow."

PAH-fest Motown kicked off with a wine and cheese reception to raise funds for the Kresge Challenge Grant, for the Franciscan Center. University leaders and guests enjoyed Coppola wine, toured the new building and chatted with panelists for the evening's creativity seminar, including: Detroit storyteller/filmmaker Harvey Ovshinsky, Academy Award-nominated digital creative director and animator Eric Bruneau, bestselling author Tom Grace, Detroit rock drummer Dennis "Machinegun" Thompson, and artist and Madonna Fine Art Department Chair Douglas Semivan.



Throughout the week, PAH-fest participants created everything from cell phone movies to six-minute films while competing for prizes. "Working with the brand-new equipment in the Franciscan Center studios was a very cool experience," commented Sarah Bagazinski, a Schoolcraft College student, while editing her Mobiflick film.

A common theme among Mobiflicks was Detroit pride. "Participating in PAH-fest gave me a chance to shine a light on the city that I love," said Peter Murray, whose team took home top prize for its film *Lost in Detroit*, which featured the people, places and charm that make the city unique.

PAH-fest attendees enjoyed entertaining and educational presentations and seminars by industry artists, filmmakers and technology professionals. "Madonna is fast becoming a real Hollywood connection!" said Chuck Derry, Madonna broadcast and cinema arts program director.

◀ Christopher Coppola with Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey and wife, Patt



Golf Outing Raises Green

The Scholar-Am Classic held at Fox Creek Golf Course netted \$15,500 for the Kresge Foundation challenge grant to support Madonna's "green" Franciscan Center. Of the 113 registered golfers, 98 hit the links for the 18-hole scramble. Winning men's team included scholar/athlete Steve South, Dan Longeway, Jim Brown and Ken Landini; the winning women golfers (pictured) were Ceil Kobylarz, Shirley Walmsley, Donna Wheeler and Elizabeth Franczek. The mixed team with the best score was Yvonne Miller, Ted Miller, John DelSignore and Greg Vitale.

The golfer aid packages, raffle and par 3 challenge brought in over \$2,000. A last-minute auction of Red Wings tickets, donated by Wings alum John Ogradnick, brought in \$600. After dinner, Ogradnick shared with the crowd his experience playing for Detroit, and stayed later for photos and more questions.



Prepping for College

High school students who took advantage of Madonna's *Get it Together* leadership camp, received candid college prep advice from Madonna students, who volunteered as camp counselors. Diane Dobritt, Amber Kirvan, Jennifer Binker, Dana Wawrzyniec and Nick Modelski '08 (pictured above) served as mentors to the 12 high school participants, doling out practical knowledge about college life, and what it takes to succeed. Together, students built team and leadership skills, participated in service projects, made new friends and explored Detroit highlights.

"The Madonna student volunteers were awesome," said Chris Benson, associate dean of academic advising and the first-year experience, and coordinator for the *Get it Together* program. "Their eagerness to help really enriched the college experience for the high school students by making it fun and educational."

Incoming Madonna freshman Allison Follbaun said, "This was a fun way to make the transition to college a little easier."

Get It Together was made possible through a Brighter Futures Grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service: Learn and Serve America, as part of the Investing in College Futures Program. Michigan Campus Compact/Michigan Nonprofit Association is the fiduciary for the grant.

Curtain Call!

Aspiring high school performers developed their theatrical skills during the Lyric Theatre's third annual High School Music Theatre Summer Workshop. Tony-nominated actress Erin Dilly, Broadway actor/singer Stephen Buntrock and choreographer Kristen Grebinski (pictured below) coached performers in audition techniques, character development, vocals, dance, stage movement and more.

"The workshop is a lot of fun and you leave a well-rounded performer," said Mike Petrillo, a student at Walled Lake Central High School, who attended the workshop for a second time.

At the end of the week, the students performed solos and scenes from contemporary and traditional musicals for friends and family. "This type of experience builds your confidence, as a performer and a person," said Natalie Blain, from South Lyon East High School, another second-year participant.

"Working with young performers is an amazing experience for all involved," said Barbara Wiltsie, Lyric Theatre program director. "Their desire, energy, drive, talent and willingness to learn new ideas prove the need for this type of program."





Education

Continuing to Grow

Enrollment in classes offered through the Office of Continuing Education and Professional Studies (CEPS) reached an all-time high of 624 students during the 2008-2009 academic year. According to Program Director Joan Stephens, the key to the continual growth of CEPS is simple. “Keep courses and programs Michigan-relevant. Provide career training for high-demand industries and cater to the interests of metro-Detroiters.”

Stephens attributes much of CEPS’ success to the job training courses launched in 2007. In response to the state’s high demand for healthcare professionals, the first medical certificate training programs broke enrollment records last fall. Residents from throughout metro-Detroit stood in line, as early as 6 a.m., to register for pharmacy technician, EKG technician, and medical billing and coding training programs that ran for 13 weeks or less. All three are approved educational programs on Michigan’s No Worker Left Behind Web site.

“After being laid off, I realized I needed to take action in order to bounce back,” said Jan Bielecki, a former mechanical engineer who enrolled in the spring pharmacy technician program. After graduating in June, Bielecki landed a position at Troy Professional Pharmacy, even before completing his certification exam. “Madonna’s reputation in healthcare spoke for itself,” he said.

Madonna workshops in resumé writing, interviewing and dressing for success, along with job-search assistance and classes in Microsoft applications, provide Continuing Education students added tools and confidence to compete for jobs.

During the 2008-2009 academic year, the Continuing Education course schedule grew to 115 classes on-location and 300 online. In addition, all Madonna University courses were offered as non-credit professional development through CEPS at a discounted tuition rate.

Although many Continuing Ed. classes are career-focused or for professional development, there are a variety of personal enrichment, and recreation courses that help reduce stress while stimulating the mind and body. With a wide-range of course topics — including travel, first aid, art, gardening, personal health and fitness, retirement planning and more — there is something for everyone.

“I think Continuing Ed. classes have increased in popularity because they are short-term and affordable,” said Stephens. “Community members can learn a new skill or craft, plan for their future, or even train for a new career; there is no limit to life-long learning.”

Continuing Education classes are offered at the Livonia, Orchard Lake and Southwest Detroit campuses. A full course schedule and online registration are available at www.madonna.edu by clicking on the Continuing Education button in the lower right corner. For more information and/or to register by phone, contact 734-432-5804. •

MAJORS & MINORS



Madonna Outreach Activities

In addition to offering degree programs at the Orchard Lake Center, in Southwest Detroit and in Gaylord, Madonna has joined with a few community colleges to offer degree completion programs. Beginning this fall, students at Wayne County Community College District and St. Clair County Community College were able to pursue a Madonna bachelor’s degree in child development.

The School of Business has added its marketing program to three other Madonna majors that can be completed at the University Center at Macomb Community College. Madonna began offering criminal justice, emergency management and hospitality management there in the winter semester of 2009.

These outreach efforts continue the Franciscan tradition of serving the educational needs of the community. Each of these programs is unique to Madonna’s community college partner.

Education Destination for Displaced Workers

Madonna has become a top pick for displaced workers taking advantage of the state’s No Worker Left Behind (NWLB) free tuition program. More than 100 University programs — in such high-demand fields as healthcare, business, emergency management, environmental science and sign language studies — are listed at www.mycareereducation.org, as NWLB-approved.

The No Worker Left Behind program began in 2007 to help equip Michigan workers with the training and skills necessary for a competitive, knowledge-based, global economy. Those who are unemployed, have been laid off or terminated, or who have an annual family income of \$40,000 or less, can qualify for up to two years of free tuition. Participants must sign up for the program by August 1, 2010. For more information, visit www.michigan.gov/nwlb.

Hollywood Special Effects Taught Here

Students will learn techniques used to create big-screen special effects in a new course, *Introduction to Visual Effects and Compositing*. Academy-award nominee, digital creative director and animator Eric Bruneau will build students’ basic skills for creating photorealistic composites on bluescreen, and greenscreen, and CGI visual effects shots.



Bruneau is composition supervisor for With a Twist Studio, in Rochester Hills and Marina del Ray, Calif. He has been recognized with four Academy Award nominations for his work on such technically-challenging films as *Star Trek: Nemesis* and *Stealth*, Spielberg’s *Minority Report* and Artificial Intelligence and Sony Pictures Imageworks’ *Contact*, *Starship Troopers*, *Stuart Little*, *Godzilla* and *Charlie’s Angels*.

Gaylord Adds Addiction Studies Certificate

The addiction studies certificate has been added to the programs offered at the University Center at Gaylord. Ideal for social workers, human services, mental health professionals, educators, and addiction counselors, the 12-semester-hour program involves the study of causes and treatment of chemical dependency.

“Substance abuse is a growing problem in both urban and rural areas of Michigan,” said program coordinator Kathryn Staron. “Course content includes effective methods, tools and resources for prevention, intervention and recovery.”

The short-term plan of study also prepares students for the Michigan Certification Board of Addiction Professionals (MCBAP) certification process, and is approved for continuing education hours to maintain state certification.

Madonna has been a partner in Gaylord’s community-owned and supported University Center since 1996. Today, more than 85 students have graduated from Madonna through the University Center at Gaylord, in such programs as social work and sign language studies.

STUDENT | SUCCESS



Bottle Deposit: 10 cents, Independence: Priceless

Josh Earles, 22, wanted a new set of wheels — not the motorized sort. He wanted a manual wheel chair to replace his powered one, to help him gain independence and build his upper body strength.

When Earles' insurance company denied his request for assistance in purchasing the wheelchair, the sport management major organized a bottle/can drive with the goal of raising \$5,400 by September 2009. Through Facebook and word of mouth, Earles' effort gained support. Faculty, staff and students delivered bottles to him at school and at his home. He even offered to split the amount of returnables with those who donated to him.

In late summer, someone stopped Earles in a local restaurant, after reading the story in the Observer, and gave him a \$1,500 check. Another donor heard about Earles' project and pitched in \$1,000 more.

The shiny orange set of wheels was ordered in August, and by the second week of the fall semester, Earles was cruising to class, and well on his way to a buff upper body and more independence.

Music Grad Finishes On High Note

Piano performance major Kendra Ritter '09 wowed the Kresge Hall crowd with her final student performance in July. Ritter's family, friends and instructors attended her senior piano recital.

"It was nice to play Madonna's beautiful Steiway grand piano, and show everyone what I have been working on for the past four years at Madonna," Ritter said.

The talented pianist currently directs an adult choir and youth band at Fowlerville United Methodist Church, and teaches piano. She hopes

to become music director for a Catholic church or school, and plans to pursue a master's degree in music theory, enabling her to teach at the college level.



Pursuing Parallel Careers

Matt Austin probably isn't your typical Madonna student. He's a nursing major and the ringleader of a rockband — The MaB (pronounced The Mob). On Sept. 25, Austin and his band brought The MaB's unique modern rock sound to Kresge Hall. They opened for headliner ZIV at a concert marking the beginning of fall semester. Austin, who sings and plays guitar for a band that has been catapulted into the Detroit music spotlight, sees his music and his studies running on parallel tracks.

"My goals as a student are to enjoy a successful career in the medical field and have a chance to help people in need," Austin said. "My goals as a musician are very similar. I would like to be a successful professional musician, to inspire young musicians, and help people believe in their dreams."



PHOTO BY CHRIS AUSTIN



Madonna Student Nurses Are Best

The Jenzabar Foundation named the Madonna University Nursing Student Association (MUNSA) the Best in Class at a fall conference by the same name, in Beverly, Mass. The award, which brings with it a \$500 grant, honors MUNSA's exceptional work in community service and humanitarianism.

MUNSA created a *Men in Nursing* calendar, and participated in the *Festival of Trees*, to raise funds for Children's Hospital of Michigan. The group also planned meals for the Ronald McDonald House, hosted a career fair, assisted Girl Scouts with badge work, adopted a family for the holidays, and initiated and sponsored a resolution on childhood obesity for last year's Michigan Nursing Student Association convention.

"As members of MUNSA we look forward to a school year full of community volunteer activities and legislative involvement," said Krista Papow, MUNSA president. "It is an honor to receive this award, for participating in activities we all enjoy!"

◀ L-R: Amanda Morrill '09, Kristy Bock '08 and Karen Fischer '08 helped organize the 2008 career fair.

Vocalist Performs in Summer Opera Festival

Nancy Zhao (pictured here as Cinderella in Madonna's Lyric Theatre 2009 production of *Into the Woods*) participated in the Bel Cantanti opera workshop in Washington D.C. in August. The music education and vocal performance major worked with renowned coaches and directors, training in Italian vocal technique and opera scene acting. Following the workshop, she performed in the Bel Cantanti Opera Summer Music Festival in Alexandria, Virginia.

Zhao begins her student teaching this winter and hopes to work as a high school choir director after graduation.



Federal Program Invests in Student Success

Student service programs at Madonna received a \$2 million boost from a Title III grant awarded by the federal Strengthening Institutions Program. Paid over five years, the funds will be used to expand student services in order to increase graduation and retention rates.

"In Michigan, we know that in order to ensure a better tomorrow, we must make sure our students have access to the best opportunities today," said U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow, who supported Madonna's program. "These additional resources will help ensure that more students earn a degree and learn the skills necessary to compete in the 21st century economy."

Student advising, academic and technological support, are a few of the programs that will benefit from the grant. To assist students who may be at-risk, including first-time-in-any-college, part-time and non-traditional students, Madonna officials plan to enhance student and faculty interaction, locate services for non-traditional students in a centralized office, and offer classes via interactive video technology at Madonna's Orchard Lake Center.

The U.S. Department of Education's Strengthening Institutions Program helps eligible colleges and universities, become self-sufficient and increases their capacity to serve at-risk students. The grant is intended to help strengthen the academic quality, institutional management and fiscal stability of eligible institutions.

A large group of first-year students, approximately 100 in total, are posed in several rows on a green lawn. They are dressed in casual attire like t-shirts, jeans, and hoodies. In the background, a modern building with large glass windows and white columns is visible. The scene is outdoors during the day.

FIRST-YEAR Experience!

It's becoming a tradition.

At the start of the fall semester, for the past three years, the first-year students were brought together and asked to form the Madonna "M with the Flame." This year, the photo was taken in front of the Franciscan Center in the area that soon will become Cardinals Square, in honor of Cardinals Adam Maida and Edmund Szoka.

At Madonna University, we place particular emphasis on the first year of study. We recognize that an engaging first-year experience positively impacts academic performance, campus involvement and progress toward graduation. The foundation established the first year is essential to student success.



Hospice

a compassionate calling

As the demand for hospice and palliative care professionals has grown, so has Madonna's hospice and palliative studies program. What started as a certificate program in the 1980s now includes associate, bachelor's and master's degrees, as well as undergraduate and post-master's certificates. Madonna is the only university in the nation to offer undergraduate and graduate degrees in hospice.

With 4,700 hospice organizations in the United States today, hospice and palliative care is considered to be the model for quality compassionate end-of-life care for people of all ages.

"Today's society tends to equate hospice with death," said Kelly Rhoades, Ph.D., chair of Madonna's Hospice and Palliative Studies Department. "A common misconception, when, in fact, hospice and palliative care focuses on the quality of one's life until death."

Hospice caregivers provide physical, emotional, psychological and spiritual support to terminal patients and their families. Palliative care extends the principles of hospice to provide patients with compassionate medical and home care earlier in their illness or injury. Even though a recent study by the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization indicates that terminally-ill patients under hospice and palliative care live longer, hospice care still is misunderstood, and many myths exist about just what hospice really means. "Americans are part of a death-denying culture," explains Rhoades. "Patients, family members, and even some trained healthcare professionals tend to think of hospice as giving

up, when in fact it can be a sacred time for families that involves opportunities for forgiveness, healing, and celebration of a life."

To help bridge the gap between hospital and hospice care, all Madonna nursing students must complete a hospice course about the spiritual and ethical consideration at end of life. "As a floor nurse at a large medical center, I have experienced many patient deaths," said Deborah Gamperling, Madonna student and licensed practical nurse. "After completing the course, I have a better understanding of the important care hospice professionals provide to families and their loved ones."

Students in Madonna's hospice and palliative studies programs are passionate about what they consider to be more of a calling than a career choice. "Oftentimes students come to Madonna after a life experience that alters their perspective about what really matters. Priorities shift and the student feels compelled to give back in some way, that is initiated through a commitment to their hospice studies," Rhoades said.

Recent graduate Kathleen Dart was drawn to the hospice program after several experiences with family deaths. While growing up, Dart helped care for aging and ill members of her family. "Before hospice care was easily accessible, we tended to family members at home until death," she said. After being laid off from her job as a social worker in 2007, Dart decided to draw upon her experiences with death in order to help others through grief and loss. She completed two Madonna post-master's certificates, in hospice and palliative care, and bereavement.

"I now feel I make a positive difference in at least one life every day," said Dart, who works as a bereavement counselor for Arbor Hospice and Home Care in Ann Arbor, Mich.

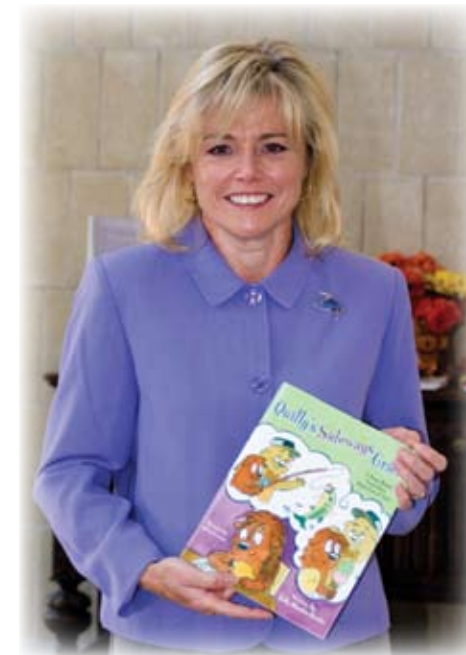
Other graduates put their passion to work as caregivers and administrators, at hospice facilities, hospitals and non-profit organizations. Some study hospice to enhance their careers in social work, psychology, criminal justice, religious studies, gerontology, family services and more. "The lessons learned really can be applied to any field that relates to human interaction," said Gamperling.

As leaders in the industry, students, alumni and faculty of Madonna's hospice and palliative studies programs help shine a positive light on this type of end-of-life care by educating communities and healthcare organizations. According to Rhoades, society is beginning to accept hospice as a beneficial healthcare resource. "Perhaps more importantly, at the end of life we all need to feel connection and a sense that our lives had purpose, that we mattered, and will be remembered."

A Calling to Teach

Kelly Rhoades has been involved in hospice care for over 20 years. She spent 10 years as a bereavement counselor and consultant in various hospice settings prior to coming to Madonna. A firm believer in the healing potential of 'transformative grief,' her passion lies in helping individuals turn the feelings and emotions associated with losing a loved one into something positive. "Managing one's grief does not mean saying goodbye or letting go," she said. "The relationship with a loved one will live on through memories and stories, providing a lasting and meaningful connection."

Rhoades recently authored a children's book entitled, *Quilly's Sideways Grief*. Through the story of a young porcupine that lost his grandpa, the book addresses death and grieving at a child's level. "Adults often avoid talking about death, so children don't know how to express their feelings of grief," said Rhoades. "This book is an excellent tool to help initiate family communication."



Dr. Kelly Rhoades, children's book author and chair of Madonna University's Hospice and Palliative Studies Department



Ann Fitzsimons '08, co-founder of Compassionate Passages Inc.

Rhoades began teaching at Madonna University in the Hospice and Palliative Studies Department in 1995, becoming the chair in 1999. She was instrumental in helping to create the hospice master's degree and her vision to offer graduate course work in bereavement became a reality in 2000.

A Calling to Heal

Through life-altering experiences in child loss, Ann Fitzsimons discovered a passion for helping families deal with the many choices, decisions and emotions associated with a gravely-ill or dying child. "Our goal is to make sure that every dying child, whether 18 days or 18 years of age, is competently and compassionately cared for in the healthcare system," said Fitzsimons, co-founder of Compassionate Passages Inc. (www.compassionatepassages.org).

With a bachelor's and master's degree in business, Fitzsimons came to Madonna to earn a post master's certificate in bereavement. "The certificate added solid credentials to my knowledge and personal experience," she said. "When I am introduced at a hospice conference, the host doesn't announce my Bachelor of Science or MBA degrees, only the bereavement certificate."

Today, Fitzsimons and co-founder Beth Seyda educate and inspire healthcare professionals, families and community members on the physical, emotional and spiritual end-of-life needs of children, and their families. By sharing the stories and lessons of families who've walked their child to death, the two are able to put a face to the issues these families struggle with and make family-centered suggestions for supportive care a reality.

Fitzsimons contributed to a widely-used hospice and palliative studies textbook, and co-wrote a link about parents advocating and caring for children with life-limiting illnesses at www.mihospice.org. This September she presented at the Children's Hospice International's 20th World Congress in Cape Town, South Africa. •

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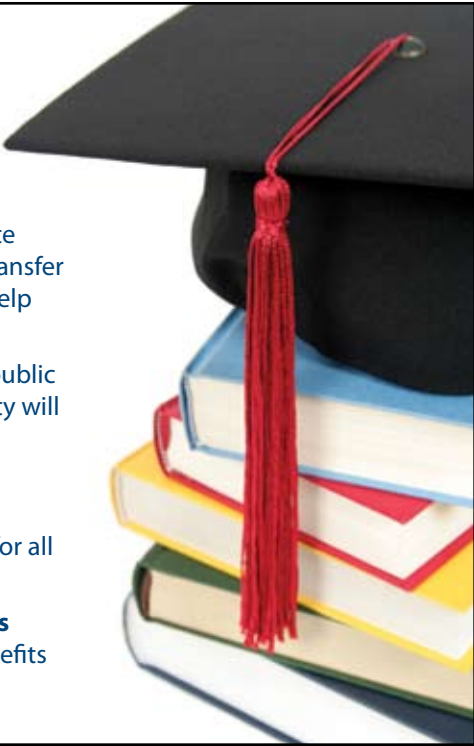
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Travelers will depart March 4, 2010, spending three days in Paris and six in London. The group will tour the Louvre Museum, Shakespeare's Globe Theatre, the Tower of London, and attend a show at the London Theatre. Ample free time will allow for visits to other destinations, such as Stonehenge and Bath.

"The unique history and culture of these fabulous cities will make for an unforgettable experience," said trip coordinator Kathleen O'Dowd, dean of the College of Arts and Humanities.

Participants may earn humanities, English, history or art general education credit, or travel solely for the experience. A four-hour class will meet Saturdays prior to the trip, so students can get to know each other, learn more about their upcoming travels, and read the play(s) they will see in London. Students must turn in a \$300 deposit by October 30 to secure a reservation. Faculty, staff, alumni and community members may register for the trip after Oct. 31.



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Madonna University received an award from the Malaysia Government and the University of Technology Mara, in June, in recognition of the University's support of the Global Strategic Management Inc. Conference held in Dearborn in 2008. Matthew H.S. Koufie, Ph.D., CEO of GSMI in Beverly Hills, Mich., and adjunct professor of statistics at Madonna, presented Sr. Rose Marie Kujawa with the plaque. Koufie noted that Madonna also was honored, with a plaque, by the Government of Dubai Emirate. Koufie is pictured here with University President Sr. Rose Marie Kujawa, Ernest Nolan, provost and vice president for academic affairs, and Jonathan Swift, director of international studies. Koufie travels the world arranging international conferences.

Swift Honored

In June, The United States Department of State, on behalf of the International Visitors Council (IVC) of Metropolitan Detroit recognized Dr. Jonathan Swift, director of international studies, for exemplary chairmanship of the IVC Detroit 2008-9 Cultural Series.

Active in IVC for the past seven years, Swift has organized a series of ethnic dinners to which IVC invited members of the metropolitan Detroit international community. Swift also has authored several dozen articles and reviews. In addition to recruiting international students to Madonna in Livonia, he has been instrumental in establishing Madonna academic programs in other countries. These are but a few of the many cultural works he has led during his long, distinguished career as a global educator.

Madonna Hits BBC Airwaves

Even before all of the equipment was unpacked in the radio studio of the Franciscan Center, the request for airtime came from across the pond. The British Broadcasting Corporation wanted to use the studio to record an interview with Livonia resident Elaine Donnelly, president of the Center for Military Readiness, a non-partisan educational organization that takes a leadership role in promoting sound personnel policies for men and women in the armed forces. The taping went flawlessly with Dan Boyd at the controls, wife Sue caring for logistics and student Ted Pittman '06 assisting with set-up.



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Putting THEORY into PRACTICE

In a competitive job market, a degree alone may not be enough to land a desired position. “It is extremely beneficial for students to begin building their resumé, while still in the classroom,” said Kevin King, sport management program director.

King and other Madonna professors seek out internship and co-op opportunities that compliment students’ interests and career goals. King’s students have interned with such organizations as the Detroit Pistons, Red Wings and Tigers; Livonia YMCA; Wayne County Parks and Recreation; and high school and college athletic departments.

Recent sport management graduate Carl McDevitt ’09 interned in the athletic department at University of Detroit Mercy his senior year. “I gained a lot of valuable work experience to add to my resumé, including scheduling practices and games for Detroit Mercy’s lacrosse and basketball teams, and overseeing maintenance procedures for the athletic facilities,” said McDevitt. “I’m a huge sports fan, so you can imagine how much fun I had when my internship got me involved with the recent NCAA Final Four basketball games in Detroit.”

For Madonna students, landing an internship is a collaborative effort, according to Ingrid Kroeger, assistant director of Career Services at Madonna, “At many larger colleges and universities, students are placed in internship positions solely by academic or career advisors,” said Kroeger. “Here at Madonna, faculty and Career Services staff work together to provide students with every possible opportunity.”

Through internships students not only gain valuable hands-on experience, but also career networking opportunities. When criminal justice student Bryant George interned with the U.S. Marshal Service in Detroit, he met a Special Agent of the United

States Secret Service (USSS). That contact opened the door to a second internship for George. This past summer he worked with the USSS in Washington D.C. “It was an incredible experience,” George said. “I was able to participate directly in protection techniques used by federal agents, and in federal investigations of counterfeiting and identity theft.”

Because Madonna professors bring so much real-world experience to the classroom, they’re able to mentor students before, during and after their internships. Criminal Justice Professor Tom DeGalan was instrumental in facilitating Bryant George’s internships. “Professor DeGalan always was there for me during my internships, helping me with everything from wardrobe questions to paperwork,” George said. DeGalan helped the ambitious senior arrange a third internship this fall with the Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Agency (ATF), and is negotiating a winter semester internship for George with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).

“I am confident that my Madonna education, combined with the experience I am gaining through these student internships, will help me achieve my goals,” said George. “My greatest dream is to make a positive impact on my hometown of Detroit as a police officer and a criminal investigator for the U.S. Marshal Service.”

King and DeGalan aren’t the only faculty members who go the extra mile to coordinate opportunities for students. There are several who, in addition to teaching, make the time to establish contacts and partnerships with area businesses and organizations that will benefit students. “Internships can be very competitive, so we try to help our students get their foot in the door,” said James Wendt, clinical laboratory sciences program director. Wendt and other Madonna allied health professors and administrators have entered into

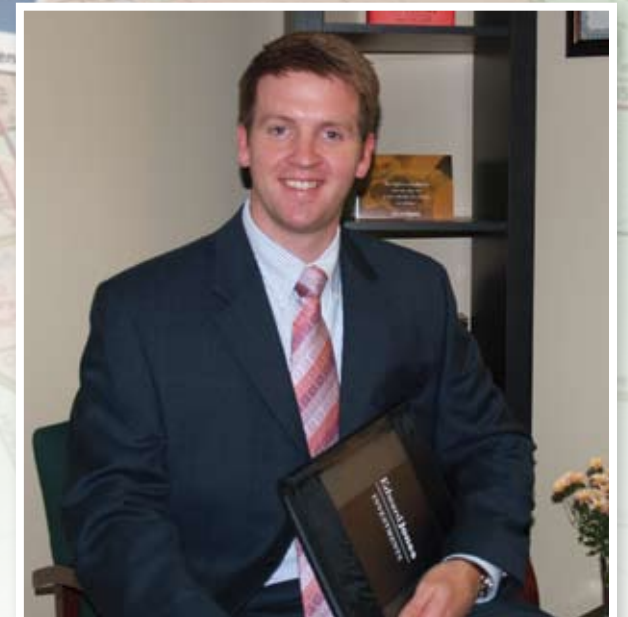
agreements with metro-Detroit healthcare organizations, including Henry Ford and Providence Hospitals, that provide some 11 clinical internship positions to Madonna students annually.

“The process of finding and applying for a clinical internship is long and intense. I am grateful for the help I received at Madonna,” said allied health administration student Meghan Hill, who started her internship at Providence Hospital this fall. “I began my clinical feeling confident and well-prepared.”

Madonna faculty and Career Services staff not only help students line up internships, they also assist throughout the experience. “Not all students are aware of the tools available to them through Career Services,” said Kroeger. “We review students’ resumé, help prepare them for interviews, and follow-up with their employer to see how they are doing.”

Some students parlay their internship or part-time jobs into full-time positions. “As a financial advisor apprentice and intern at Edward Jones, I was involved with all daily office activities, and I shadowed their best advisors,” said Darrel Quinn, recent business administration graduate. “By learning every aspect of the job, I became a valuable asset.” Edward Jones hired Quinn as a financial advisor as soon as he graduated.

Students, faculty, and employers agree that earning a degree, involves more than just academics. Spiritual and personal growth also are key. Internships and co-ops offer students opportunities to apply and reinforce knowledge gained in the classroom. “Students mature from these experiences, and build confidence in their academic and career abilities,” said DeGalan. “That’s what sets Madonna graduates apart. •



Above: Darryl Quinn '08

Below: Tom DeGalan with Bryant George



2008-2009 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

Athletics Savors Sweet Success

Crusader sports teams experienced another banner year on the field and in the classroom. Madonna captured eight Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference titles, and sent five teams and an individual to their respective National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics national tournaments.

The **softball team** posted the most wins in program history, while appearing in the NAIA national tournament for only the second time. Ranked 15 in the NAIA coaches' poll — the highest in school history — the Lady Crusaders captured the WHAC regular season and tournament championships, and finished the season with a 53-11 record.

Posting a 39-12 record, the MU **baseball team** tallied its most successful season ever, with the team's first-ever appearance in the NAIA national tournament, after winning the WHAC regular season championship for the fourth time in the last five years. The Crusaders finished the season ranked 16, (the NAIA coaches' poll had them at No. 8 at one point) earning them an at-large bid to the national championship.

Men's and women's golf teams finished second in their respective WHAC seasons, posting the highest league finish in program history.

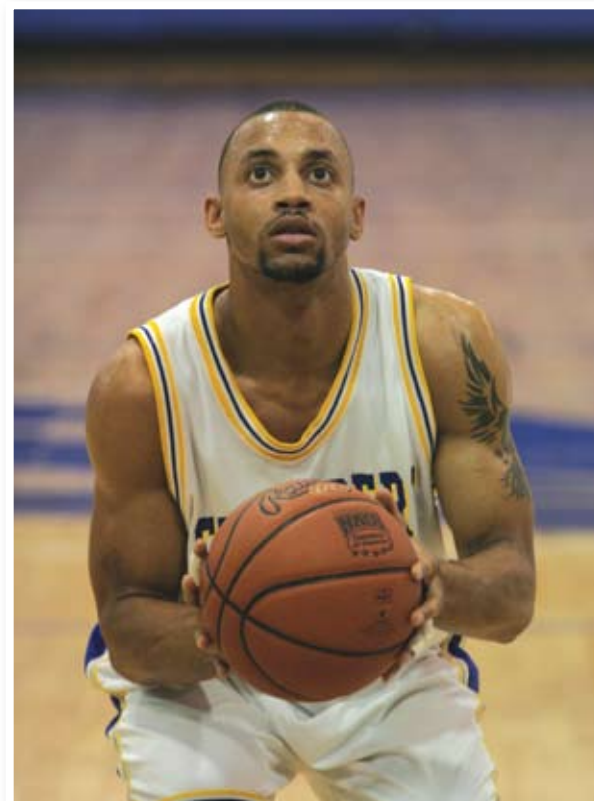
Athletes in Madonna's newest sport, **cross country**, had their best seasons to-date, as the men ran to a sixth place finish at the WHAC Championships with senior Joe Horka coming in 29th.

Lady harrier Sarah Sherwood, a sophomore, came in seventh at the conference meet to become the first MU runner to advance to the NAIA national championships in Wisconsin. Sherwood placed 128th at nationals while making Madonna Athletics history.

Madonna **women's soccer** recaptured past glory in 2008 by winning the WHAC regular season title with a perfect 12-0 league mark.

The Crusader **men's soccer** team made a repeat trip to the NAIA national championship in 2008 by capturing both the WHAC regular season and tournament championships.

The tournament title provided a history-making opportunity for Madonna, when the school hosted the NAIA national tournament opening round match in Livonia. The Crusaders downed Grandview 2-1 on a chilly Saturday in November. The win sent MU to the Sweet 16 in Fresno, Calif., where the Crusaders matched up with No. 2 Rio Grande. The Crusaders fell 2-1 to end their season, but not before making it in the MU record books.



Cedric Sims, NAIA All American Men's Basketball – honorable mention



Members of Madonna's softball team during a break in play at the national tournament.



Madonna volleyball team partnered with the University of Michigan-Dearborn last fall to raise over \$600 for the Detroit Branch of The Karmanos Cancer Institute in the "Dig for the Cure" event held on both university campuses. Proceeds, from ticket sales and the auctioning of the Crusaders' special pink uniforms, went to help find a cure for breast cancer.

Crusader **men's** and **women's basketball** teams made appearances in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference tournaments with the women's team advancing to the semi-finals.

Digging Deep

Madonna's **volleyball team** continued its dominance of the WHAC in 2008, capturing the program's 12th straight WHAC regular season title, and earning its 7th straight berth in the NAIA national championship. The team finished the season ranked 11th in the NAIA coaches' poll.

Honoring the Best of the Best

Madonna athletics wrapped up what many will call the most successful year in the history of the department, when in June, the University inducted its first full class into the athletic program's Hall of Fame. Joining 2004 inductee and NAIA Hall of Fame volleyball coach Jerry Abraham were the 2009 induction class including: Women's soccer All-American Jen Barker '03 (1998-2001), volleyball All-American Kelly McCausland '98 (1993-1996) baseball All-American Aaron Shrewsbury '99 (1996-1999) and posthumously, former University President Sister Francilene Van de Vyver '65 (1976-2001).

"The event was a great success," said Athletics Director Bryan Rizzo. "We could not have been more pleased with the turnout to honor five of Madonna's best athletes. This is the start of another great chapter in the history of the department."

ATHLETIC AWARDS

In the classroom, athletic competition, and the community, Madonna University athletes demonstrate the character of champions. Below is a list of awards, given by the Wolverine Hoosier Athletic Conference (WHAC) and the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletes (NAIA), and the list of student-athletes and coaches who achieved them.

NAIA All American

Men's Basketball – Cedric Sims, honorable mention

Men's Soccer – Doron Draï, honorable mention

Softball – Jess Irwin, second team, Brittney Scero, honorable mention

Volleyball – Lubovj Tihomirova, first team, Whitney Fuelling, second team

Women's Basketball – Kim Olech, third team

Women's Soccer – Shannon McIntyre, third team and Jessica Austin, honorable mention

All-WHAC First Team

Baseball – Jeff Sonnenberg, Aaron Hacias, Ryan Morrow, Kevin Zerbo and Shawn Little

Men's Basketball – Cedric Sims

Men's Golf – Steve South

Men's Soccer – Doron Draï, Eric Kiebert and Keith Sied

Softball – Jess Irwin, Tedi Johnston, Brittney Scero, Cat Sidor and Ashley Shay

Volleyball – Lubovj Tihomirova, Whitney Fuelling, Inta Grinvalds, Mary McGinnis

Women's Basketball – Kim Olech, Women's Golf – Chelsea Bathurst and Sara Simnitch

Women's Soccer – Jessica Austin, Shannon McIntyre, Lauren Hess and Andrea Johnson

All-WHAC Second Team

Men's Golf – Kyle Lawrey

Men's Soccer – Emilio Giorgi, Dan Pichler and Otieno Victor

Women's Soccer – Dina Allie, Kaila Moore, Ashley Stoychoff and Brit Warner

Women's Golf – Caitlin Steele

Women's Basketball – Tabatha Wydryck

All-WHAC

Honorable Mention

Baseball – Zach Flavin, Matt Kay, Tarik

Khasawneh and Tom Hansen

Men's Soccer – Steve Besk and

Cory Maupin

Women's Soccer – Diana Brda and

Lia Melasi

All-WHAC Academic Team

Baseball – Zach Flavin and Aaron Hacias

Men's Basketball – Leroy Allen

Men's Cross Country – Max Guy and Joe Horka

Men's Golf – Elliott Oscar and Justin Taurance

Men's Soccer – Doron Draï, Mark Pikula and Isaac St. John

Softball – Mary Kate Setta, Caitlyn (Cat) Sidor and Rachael Kethe

Volleyball – Brynn Kerr, Whitney Fuelling, Inta Grinvalds, Mary McGinnis and Lubovj Tihomirova
Women's Cross Country – Mallory Farnum
Women's Soccer – Dina Allie, Lauren Hess, Andrea Johnson and Ashley Stoychoff

WHAC Pitcher of the Year

Baseball – Jeff Sonnenberg
Softball – Jess Irwin

WHAC Player of the Year

Men's Soccer – Doron Draï
Volleyball – Lubovj Tihomirova (and region player of the year)
Women's Soccer – Shannon McIntyre, Jessica Austin

WHAC Newcomer Team

Volleyball – Karie Altman and Amanda Koszela

WHAC Newcomer of the Year

Women's Basketball – Kim Olech

NAIA All-American Scholar

Men's Basketball – Drew Coker
Men's Cross Country – Joe Horka, Max Guy
Men's Golf – Elliot Oscar and Justin Taurence
Men's Soccer – Doron Draï, Mark Pikula and Isaac St. John
Softball – Caitlyn Sidor
Volleyball – Whitney Fuelling, Inta Grinvalds, Brynn Kerr and Mary McGinnis
Women's Soccer – Dina Allie, Lauren Hess, Andrea Johnson and Ashley Stoychoff

WHAC Coach of the Year

Baseball – Greg Haeger
Men's Soccer – Tino Scicluna
Softball – Al White
Women's Soccer – Paul Thomas

Left: Steve South, Men's Golf, All-WHAC First Team

Right: Lady harrier Sarah Sherwood, became the first MU runner to advance to the NAIA national championships in Wisconsin.



BLUE & GOLD AWARDS

Voted on by visitors to www.madonnacrusaders.com, these awards were handed out Oct. 11, at a special banquet, at St. Mary's Cultural Center in Livonia.

- Female Rookie of the Year** – Kim Olech, basketball
- Male Rookie of the Year** – Matt Kay, baseball
- Co-Coach of the Year** – Al White, softball/Greg Haeger, baseball
- Male Athlete of the Year** – Doron Draï, soccer
- Female Athlete of the Year** – Jess Irwin, softball
- One Shining Moment** – Baseball upsets Fresno Pacific in the NAIA National Tournament Opening Round in 12 innings
- Male Team of the Year** – Baseball
- Female Team of the Year** – Softball
- Male Champion of Character** – Drew Coker, basketball
- Female Champion of Character** – Caitlyn Sidor, softball
- Male Academic Team of the Year** – Cross Country
- Female Academic Team of the Year** – Basketball
- Male Scholar Athlete** – Doron Draï, soccer
- Female Scholar Athlete** – Mary McGinnis, volleyball
- Mr. Crusader** – Drew Fry, baseball
- Miss Crusader** – Caitlyn Sidor, softball
- Sr. Rose Marie Kujawa Leadership Award** – Stephanie Parslow, volleyball

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1950s

Patricia (Kasprzyk) Gilmour '55 (mathematics) was the first mathematics major at Madonna, and often the only



student in her math classes. "I was very fortunate to have the one-on-one attention. It was like I had my own personal tutor," she said. Gilmour taught middle school for 32 years

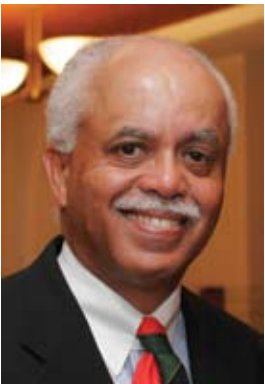
in the Allen Park and Livonia school systems. She has five children and eight grandchildren, and enjoys spending her time between Florida and Michigan.

1960s

Rita (Roznowski) Wells '60 (mathematics) was one of the few lay students with a license. She would drive students and faculty to and from lectures in Detroit and Ann Arbor. Wells retired after 24 years of teaching children at the Department of Defense Dependents School. She has taught at thirty-five schools in 9 countries, and was a mathematics coordinator for the Mediterranean Region. "I was very fortunate to have Sr. Virgilia for a teacher, she taught us so much," said Wells. "When I started my career, I already was ahead of the game, and I owe most of that to her." Wells lives in Phoenix and enjoys working with The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP).

1970s

Warren Evans '75 (criminal justice) was appointed as the Detroit Police Department's 39th Chief of Police by Mayor Dave Bing. He is one of three



Madonna alumni to hold this position. Chief Evans served six years as the Sheriff of Wayne County. He has held every rank in the Sheriff's Office and earned numerous

citations and commendations. In addition to serving as police officer, correctional officer, supervisor, manager and administrator, Evans also has held executive positions in law enforcement, adult corrections, community corrections, juvenile detention, juvenile training schools and community-based programs.

1980s

Judith Marie Krey '80 (biology-chemistry) has been recognized by Cambridge Who's Who for showing dedication, leadership and excellence in all aspects of higher education. For



the past eleven years, Krey has been an adjunct faculty instructor of microbiology at Waubensee Community College in Sugar Grove, Ill. She was included in

the Continental Who's Who (2008-2009), Kipling Who's Who (2008-2009) and was named Tutor of the Year (2001) at Waubensee. Krey is writing a book about her methods of teaching microbiology. "I think of Madonna often, it was a wonderful place to learn," she said.

LaTanya Beanum '83 (computer science) is a project analyst at Electronic



Data Systems, where she provides product support and process development for OnStar. "I like that Madonna incorporated religion into my studies," Beanum said. "My instructors taught me to excel in whatever I do, to work hard, and to take time out for God in my busy life."

Patricia Holland-Soma '84 (legal assistant) is an advocate for people with disabilities through her involvement as host and in the production of two local cable programs, *Senior Spotlight* and *Equal Access*. A returning student, Soma currently is working on a bachelor's degree in Sign Language Studies.



Jeanne Drouillard '88 (general business) has been signed to a multi-book contract with A-Argus Better Book Publishers, an

imprint of Argus Enterprises International of New Jersey and North Carolina. Argus Enterprises will publish three novels by Drouillard in the next three years, including her current nonfiction manuscript, entitled *Thinking Out Loud and Your Thoughts Can Trap You*, slated to be published by Christmas 2009.

1990s

Dr. Anne Toth '95 (sign language studies) will have her research published in the next American Annals of the Deaf journal. Entitled *Bridge of Signs: Can Sign Language Empower Non-Deaf Children to Triumph Over Their Communication Disabilities?*, Toth's research was conducted for the Canadian Association of the Deaf. A clinical social worker with over 30 years of experience in the field, Toth provides consultation, assessment, counseling and psychotherapy services in English, French and American Sign Language. In 2005, Madonna University honored Toth with a distinguished alumna award in honor of her achievement in the Deaf community, in the areas of literacy and social work.

Sheila Hay '95 (nursing) is the new corporate director of service operations for Hospice of Michigan, where she is responsible for overall leadership and



management of clinical services in the southeast Michigan region. Certified in hospice and palliative care, Hay is a member of Sigma Theta Tau — the National Honor Society of Nursing, the Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association, the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization, and the Michigan Hospice and Palliative Care Organization.

Bobbi Socall '95 (masters in educational leadership) is vice president of business operations for Business Success Group LLC, Training Success Group LLC, Restaurant Success Group LLC, and Elite B2B Networking LLC. Socall helps small to mid-sized companies with getting started, finding funding, strategic planning and training. "Madonna University gave me the skills to run a successful business," said Socall.

Cheryl Dworman '95 (nursing) recently became certified as a dementia care specialist. Dworman is self-employed as a consultant-patient advocate. She was inducted into the 2009 Sigma Theta Tau Honor Society of Nursing and received the Claude Pepper Award in 2008 and honorable mention in 2009.

Pam Wyess '96 (masters in business administration) is president and CEO of Workplace Results LLC, a management



training and consulting firm specializing in leadership, service and accountability in the workplace. Wyess works with individuals

who want to *Stand Out at Work™*, along with companies who want to hire, train and retain standout employees. "My experience at Madonna sparked my interest in successful organizations, and influenced my decision to start my own business as a consultant, trainer and coach," said Wyess.

Claudia Gdowski '98 (business administration) manages marketing and sales for Production Modeling



Corporation (PMC) at their Dearborn headquarters. A global engineering and management consulting firm, PMC is a leading productivity improvement solutions

provider to manufacturing and service industries. "Madonna was a good fit for me. I can't say enough about the instructors and quality of education I received," said Gdowski.

Yolanda Crump '98 (sociology) is a budget and financial analyst for the Unites States Postal Service. Crump, mother of two, worked her way through college as a letter carrier. She made



the dean's list every semester and was a proud member of the National Catholic Honor Society Kappa Gamma Pi, and the

International Graduate Honor Society Sigma Beta Delta. Crump earned master's degrees from Siena Heights University, and Capella University. "Madonna helped me in every way to succeed as an older student," said Crump. "I am looking forward to coming full circle by teaching at the college level and giving other non-traditional-aged students a reason to succeed."

2000s

Dr. Wilson Mertens '00 (masters in business administration) is the medical director of the Baystate Regional Cancer Program, and of Cancer Services at Baystate Health System, Springfield, Mass. He also is an associate professor of medicine at Tufts University School of Medicine in Boston. A medical oncologist, Dr. Mertens has specialty board certifications from the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, and the American Board of Internal Medicine. His previous positions include director of biometry and outcome measurement, London Regional Cancer Center, and director of quality assurance and associate professor of medicine at the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute at Wayne State University. Widely-published in the areas of sarcoma, genitourinary malignancy and breast cancer management, Merten's current research interests include medical management topics and cancer patient supportive



Dr. Wilson Mertens

care. He recently lead a cancer program re-engineering effort, incorporating the construction of a purpose-built, integrated ambulatory cancer center employing the tenets of Pine and Gilmore's Experience Economy, which was recognized by the American Society of Healthcare Engineering with a 2005 VISTA award.

Toni Cooper '04 (psychology) is co-owner and marketing manager for Five-O Distributors, a law enforcement supply company in Allen Park that provides high-quality products for all public safety, law enforcement, fire and active military officials. Cooper also is a corporate trainer for Zig Ziglar Corporation, where she specializes in communications and goal-setting programs.



Aaron Petras '05 (business administration) is the IT Operations Manager at Airfoil Public Relations in Southfield, where he leads a staff of operations professionals, in addition to championing technology implementations and strategic business initiatives. "The education I received while at Madonna provided me

the business perspective and guidance I needed in order to be a successful leader," Petras said.

James Murphy '05 (English) teaches junior and senior English at Summit Academy in Romulus, Mich. Murphy also is a member of the band *Murrow's Boys*, which just released its debut album. Featuring harmonic lines and dual vocals, their unique sound blends folk, blues, rock and country.

Seth Grass '06 (television and video communications) is production manager for Signature Professional Group, a full-service event production company in Wixom. Grass is

responsible for production and technical support during local events, concerts, festivals and corporate venues. "Madonna gave me a top-notch education," said Grass. "In the small classes, you build personal relationships with your instructors; I still keep in touch with many of them today."

Nicole Phinney '07 (general music concentration) started her Ph.D. in media psychology at Fielding Graduate University. Phinney's research will focus on how music influences individual personalities and lifestyles, in relation to the neuropsychology of the brain. "Madonna's music program provided me with the focus and discipline to tackle a Ph.D.," said Phinney.



Samantha Coughlin '09 (psychology-mental health) has been accepted into the doctoral program for clinical psychology Psy.D. at Pacific University in Oregon. Coughlin's ultimate goal is to address health issues affecting the elderly. "At Madonna, I worked with wonderful faculty, such as Dr. O'Neill," said Coughlin. "They broadened my understanding of research, which will help me in my grad school journey."

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Murrow's Boys, from Left, Greg Marten, James Murphy '05 and Ken Marten.



Nolan Earns New Title

University President Sister Rose Marie Kujawa with support from Madonna’s Board of Directors added Provost to Ernest Nolan’s title, as recognition for his achievements in academic development and support. Nolan has served as vice president for academic administration since 1998.

“Traditionally, the provost is in a key position to advocate for, advance and safeguard essential components for effective engagement in teaching and learning,” said Nolan. “I interpret this change as a tacit acknowledgement that academics are the heart of Madonna University.”

Nolan advocated for the importance of higher education in economic recovery, speaking alongside Secretary of State Hilary Clinton at the World Summit in Washington in September.

During his 33 years at Madonna, Nolan has served as a grant writer, helping to garner millions of dollars in Title III grants. He was the first dean of Graduate Studies, from 1982-1998, and he played a major role in the development of the Doctor of Nursing Practice degree program last year. A long-time reviewer for the Higher Learning Commission, Nolan has been a central figure in composing Madonna’s self-studies and requests for change.

Nursing Faculty Secure Grant to Fund Collaborative Healthcare Efforts

Nursing faculty Sue Hasenau, Teresa Thompson, Diane Burgermeister and Nancy O’Connor obtained a federal educational training grant for the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program, with the help of Corporate and Foundations Director Lisa Comben.

The three-year Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) grant, totaling more than \$700,000, will fund collaborative efforts between the nursing departments of Madonna and the University of Detroit Mercy, aimed at resolving local and national healthcare disparities, while improving healthcare quality and safety.

The new alliance will enhance the delivery of both Madonna and Detroit Mercy DNP programs. “By joining forces we will maximize economic resources and provide an enhanced level of higher education,” said O’Connor, chair of Madonna’s nursing graduate program and DNP program director.

Additions and Changes in the Network Family

Colleen Maroney, former Madonna network analyst, has accepted the position of exchange communication specialist. Her new responsibilities include spam prevention, rights management for shared data and home directories, and supporting University e-mail and Web accounts.

Stepping into Maroney’s former position is Cody Pickren, who earned a Madonna bachelor’s degree in international business and economics in July 2009. While attending Madonna, Pickren was a work-study student in the Network department, and has experience in both PC and Macintosh computers. He will administer the centralization and management of Antivirus, Spyware, Windows Updates, SMS and Deep Freeze servers.



Residence Hall Gains New Director

Ashley Crockett Wisniewski is Madonna’s new director of residence life. She brings to Madonna her experience working in the residence life department at Virginia Tech., where she fostered a productive living-learning residential community, while earning her master’s degree in higher education and student affairs.

Prior to joining the Madonna family, Wisniewski was the health educator at the University of Virginia, where she coordinated health and wellness conferences, facilitated alcohol education training, and co-advised a student-athlete mentor group.

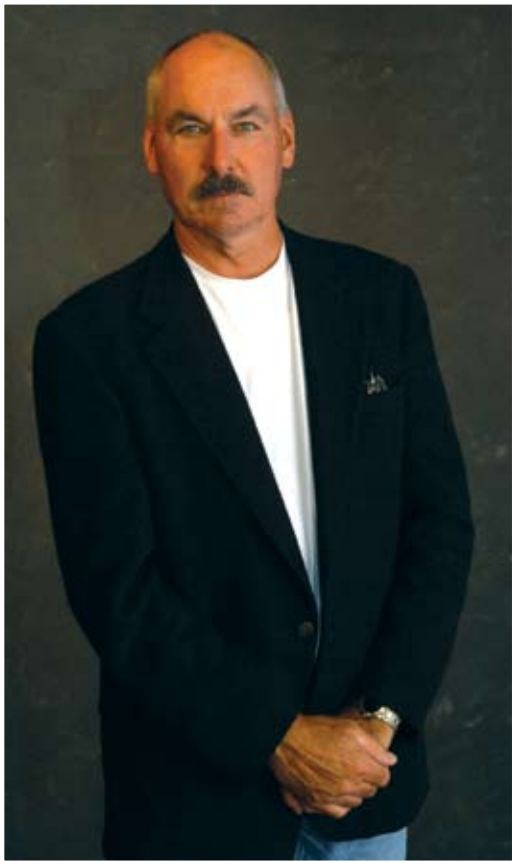
Criminal Justice Professor Swims to Victory

When he’s not teaching at Madonna, or serving as someone’s attorney, Stephen Boak, criminal justice professor, swims. As a senior at Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Penn., he was co-captain of the undefeated swim team. It was only natural then, that he compete in the swimming events at the 2008 Michigan Senior Olympics — the 50-, 200- and 500-yard freestyle, and the 100-yard medley. After only a couple months of training, Boak swam away with two gold, one silver and one bronze medals. During the meet, he learned that by medaling in one event, he gained a berth at the National Senior Olympics to be held in Aug. 2009 at Stanford University in Palo Alto, Cal.

Prior to competing in California, Boak participated again in the Michigan games this past July and won four more medals. In August, he and wife Suzanne ‘90, went to California for Nationals. “My excuse for not bringing home a medal is that the competition was much greater there, than in Michigan,” Boak joked. “I did, however, proudly wear my Madonna warm ups, and told anyone who would listen, what a great school we have.” Boak is planning already for the 2011 Olympics in Houston.



► Steve Boak with his grandchildren, each of whom is sporting one of his 2008 medals. Clockwise from Boak: Pete, Abigail, John and Grant.



Professor Pens Prize-Winning Poem

The Gwendolyn Brooks Poetry Prize was awarded to Mary Minock, English professor, for her poem, *The Time I took Patsy Walker up to Holy Redeemer*. Minock’s work was recognized by the Society for the Study of Midwest Literature, and will be published in an upcoming issue of the Society’s journal, *MidAmerica*.

Semivan’s Talents Celebrated

The artwork of Madonna’s Art department Professor and Chair Doug Semivan was featured in a two-page photo-story that appeared in the alumni magazine of his alma mater Olivet College.

Semivan’s work is displayed at museums and exhibits throughout the country, including the Museum of Modern Art in New York. “My greatest career accomplishment was when I was recognized as an artist in my hometown, and my work was displayed at the Detroit Institute of Arts,” he said.

Over the past 20 years, Semivan has sculpted Madonna art students into professional artists, inspiring many of the student works displayed in the Madonna Gallery’s annual exhibits. “I do what I love everyday, I am very grateful to have a career in the arts,” he said.

◄ This photo of Semivan appeared in the Olivet College magazine.



New AmeriCorps*VISTA Member Begins Year of Service

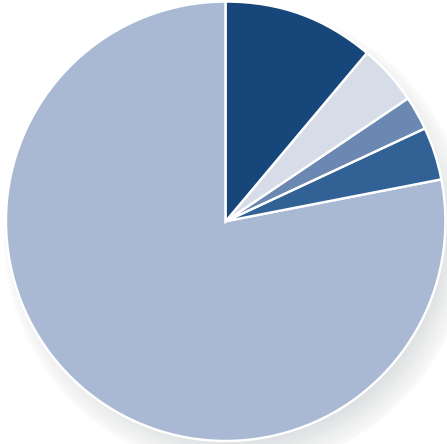
Nicole Nagy, of Linden, Mich., arrived on campus this summer to begin her year of service as a Michigan Campus Compact (MCC) AmeriCorps*VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) member. Working with first-year students, staff and faculty, Nagy will coordinate student-service projects within underserved metro-Detroit communities and promote higher education. She is one of 21 MCC VISTAs serving throughout Michigan.

During her year of service, Nagy will help launch the SCOPE (Students Creating Opportunities to Promote Education) Club. The student organization, funded by an MCC grant, will provide mentoring opportunities within area high schools.

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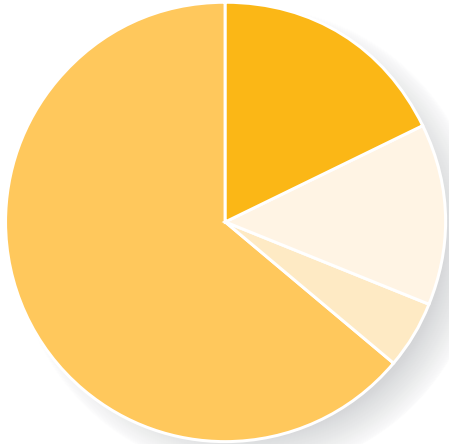
OPERATING STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR 2008–2009*

REVENUES Total: \$41,722,877



- Student Tuition & Fees: 77.9% (\$32,487,243)
- Investment Income: 3.9% (\$1,653,314)
- Governmental Grants & Contracts: 2.5% (\$1,047,310)
- Auxiliary Services/other: 4.5% (\$1,858,921)
- Private Gifts & Grants: 11.2% (\$4,676,089)

EXPENSES Total: \$36,248,457



- Instruction & Program Support: 63.7% (\$23,104,672)
- Auxiliary: 5% (\$1,792,854)
- Student Services: 13.3% (\$4,832,515)
- Institutional Support: 18% (\$6,518,416)
- Private Gifts & Grants: 9.3% (\$3,361,006)

*before depreciation

Earned Degrees/Certificates Awarded:

Master's Degree	153
Graduate Certificate	15
Bachelor of Applied Science	2
Bachelor of Arts	121
Bachelor of Music	2
Bachelor of Science	318
Bachelor of Science in Nursing	113
Bachelor of Social Work	26
Associate of Applied Science	2
Associate of Arts	4
Associate of Science	15
Certificate of Achievement	7
Certificate of Completion	77
Mich. Teachers Certificate	222
State Teachers Certificate	201
Total	1,278

Alumni of Record (1937-2009) 23,893

Academic Staff:

Administrators/Officers	6
Faculty full-time Equivalent	185

Professional Staff:

Full time	87
Part time	40

Technical/Secretarial Staff:

Full time	113
Part time	14

Enrollment (Fall 2008):

Total Enrollment	4,141
Full time enrollment	
Undergraduate	1,674
Part time enrollment	
Undergraduate	1,400
Total Undergraduate	3,074
Men	780
Women	2,294
Full Time Undergraduate Equivalent	2,697
Graduate Enrollment	1,067

Tuition & fees (2009-2010)

(average per year) \$13,150

Room & Board

(average per year) \$ 6,808

Student Profile

Catholics	51%
Other Religions	49%
Ethnic Minorities	20%
Student Average Age	31
Student Faculty Ratio	13:1

Student Financial Assistance

(all sources)	
Number of Awards	3,479
External Sources	\$29,316,698
Institutional Funds	\$4,271,749
Total Financial Assistance	\$33,588,447

Endowment Fund

Value (6/30/09)	\$21,367,564
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Libraries & Media Centers

Book Volumes	111,500
Periodical Titles (Print)	500
Microform	453,275
Electronic Journal (full text)	27,497

WHY|MADONNA?



Francis and Elizabeth Berkemeier with Sister Rose Marie at Deo Gratias 2008

FRANCIS BERKEMEIER

Benefactor | Board Member

"I am inspired by the Felician Sisters," said Francis Berkemeier, retired Consumers Energy senior attorney, a member of the Mother Mary DeSales Lifetime Giving Society, and the President's Cabinet of Madonna donors. "They were a major force in transforming a Polish immigrant population into real participants in the American life experience, and they did so in very short order." Growing up in Jackson, Mich., Francis and his eight siblings spent a good deal of time with the Felician Sisters; spending holidays with their aunts — Sisters Hugoline and Laurenta Konkell. "We have always felt that the Felician Sisters were part of our family, and we were part of theirs."

Francis took two semesters of Polish language classes at Madonna, which came in handy on trips to visit his mother's family in Poland; high-points in his life. His family ties to Madonna extended to another generation when his niece, Danielle, graduated with a BS in Nursing in 2007.

At the 2008 Deo Gratias donor recognition event, the Madonna trustee and Foundation Board member, shared with fellow donors his reasons for giving to Madonna. He pointed out that his parents and grandparents, aunts and uncles all had overcome the challenges of the Great Depression and World War II, and all had given back to their communities. "The most valuable blessings we have are our family, friends and faith," Berkemeier said. Educational institutions are key to transmitting knowledge, skills and

values from one generation to the next. Faith is an essential element in that mix; an element that Madonna proudly acknowledges and encourages. It is the very essence of what makes Madonna an outstanding university, he said. "I want to see Madonna continue to prosper and grow...It's important that we remember that we don't have to do it alone," Berkemeier said. Employers, like Consumers Energy, often help with matching gifts, and the government helps with tax deductions and credits for donors. "It takes all of us. Like my family members before me, I want to leave the next generation a legacy of faith, education and giving back, because I have been blessed with so much."

FRANK PADZIESKI

Benefactor | DeSales Society

Like Francis Berkemeier, Frank Padzieski is a man of great faith. Throughout the metropolitan area, he has shared his surplus to support Catholic and Polish organizations and projects. Members of the DeSales Lifetime Giving Society, Frank and his wife Mary, who passed away in 2004, have given to Madonna over the years so that students had access to a Catholic education.

At 101 years old, Frank Padzieski, dressed in a St. Mary's Orchard Lake alumnus sweater, visited Madonna's new Franciscan Center to see the science labs he named in honor of his parents, Joseph and Antoinette Padzieski, and wife Mary. As he moved throughout the building, he showed great interest in the remarkable accomplishment the University has made.

Because of his fondness for Madonna University Padzieski generously donated to the Franciscan Center as a way to touch the lives of young people, witness to his faith and honor his Polish roots.



Frank Padzieski with Andrea Nodge, vice president for advancement and Dean Adkins, major gifts director

This feature page will appear at the end of each edition of the Madonna Now magazine. **Why Madonna** highlights students, faculty, staff members, alumni and benefactors, and the reasons they attend, work for, give to, volunteer at, and love Madonna University. If you know of someone who should appear on this page, please provide their contact information to Karen Sanborn at 734-432-5843 or ksanborn@madonna.edu.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

We'd love to see you on campus! For more information about these events, check out the calendar located under QuickLinks at madonna.edu, or call the number listed here. A \$ indicates there is a fee for the event.

November

- 4 Mass of Remembrance, 6 – 7 p.m., University Chapel, 734-432-5315
- 5 Book discussion & signing – *Know Your Ships, 50th Anniversary Edition*, 1:30 p.m., Library, 734-432-5680
- 5 Walk-in resumé assistance, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m., Career Services Office, 734-432-5621
- 6 Veterans Fair, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., Franciscan Center, 734-432-5317
- 7 Think Madonna, info. sessions & tours, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., Franciscan Center, 734-432-5339
- 15 Michigan Flute Orchestra \$, 3 p.m. Kresge Hall, 734-432-5715
- 17 Madonna @ Macomb Info Night, 4 – 6 p.m., University Center at Macomb Comm. College, 586-263-6330
- 19 Transfer Student Night, 5 – 7 p.m., Kresge Hall, 734-432-5317
- 20 Music Students in Recital, 7:30 p.m., Kresge Hall, 734-432-5709
- 25 Thanksgiving Founders Day Mass, 11:30 a.m., University Chapel, 734-432-5428

December

- 3 Book discussion & signing – *Detroit Revisited and Beauty on the Streets of Detroit*, 1:30 p.m., Library, 734-432-5680
- 5 Lyric Theatre presents *Amahl & The Night Visitors* \$, 3 p.m. & 7 p.m., Kresge Hall, 734-432-5715
- 6 Deo Gratias, donor event – invitation only, 12 – 3 p.m., Franciscan Center, 734-432-5421
- 12 Production Assistant Boot Camp \$, 734-432-5576
- 13 Chorale Christmas Concert, 7:30 p.m., Our Lady of Good Counsel, Plymouth, 734-432-5708

February

- 19 Music Faculty Concert, 7:30 p.m., Kresge Hall, 734-432-5709

March

- 20 Think Madonna, info. sessions & tours, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., Franciscan Center, 734-432-5339
- 26 Veterans Fair, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., Franciscan Center, 734-432-5339
- 26 Musica Primavera – Music Students' Recital, 7:30 p.m., Kresge Hall, 734-432-5709

April

- 9-11 Lyric Theatre Performers in their Spring Musical \$, TBD, 734-432-5715