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To the Carroll Family,

The Carroll Centennial has served as our opportunity to celebrate what this college really stands for, and thus far we have hosted some defining moments that reflect our heritage.

Included in our contents is the story of the headline event of the academic year: Cardinal Theodore McCarrick’s visit, during which he received an honorary doctorate from the college and delivered a stirring lecture on Catholic social justice in action. Just a few weeks later, Dr. Barry Ferst of our Philosophy Department presented a moving, three-day symposium on interreligious harmony. This symposium brought to campus Christian, Muslim and Jewish scholars from around the nation to dialog with local faith leaders, the general public and our Carroll community. We faced our differences, our sameness, our shared despair and our hope. The latter was deeply tried during this conference, since the Fort Hood shootings shook the nation in the midst of our peaceful interreligious campus gathering.

Centennial arts events reflect a consistent theme. As one outstanding example, last summer two Carroll faculty members collaborated to produce the world premiere of a ballet-song cycle set to the poems of the late Sister Annette Moran. I was there on premiere night and on a subsequent evening where the work was again shown live, and I believe the hundreds who witnessed the performances were as awed as I was.

Within this magazine, you will also find an update on the Centennial Campaign. I extend my deepest gratitude to the alumni, faculty, staff and friends who have brought us within sight of our goal. We are focused on student scholarships through the Impact annual fund and scholarship matching commitment from the Board of Trustees. The Centennial celebration is far from over, with events scheduled for the spring semester, all detailed in this magazine. All of them lead up to our grand finale: our May 2010 commencement and Gala Night. You are invited to take part, and I hope to see you at our coming celebration milestone events.

Blessings and prayers,

Thomas J. Trebon
President
Cardinal McCarrick Delivers Centennial Catholic Lecture

As one of the crowning events in the college’s centennial celebration, His Eminence Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, archbishop emeritus of Washington, D.C., arrived on campus and spoke for two days, September 13 and 14, 2009, spreading his message on Catholic social justice teachings.

On Sunday, September 13, the cardinal delivered the homily at the annual Carroll College Mass of the Holy Spirit at the Cathedral of St. Helena. On the following day, he gave two talks on campus. His afternoon was spent with faculty and staff in an informal “Carroll in Conversation” gathering, where he discussed Pope Benedict XVI’s third encyclical, released in summer 2009 and entitled *Charitas in Veritate* (Charity in Truth). That night, he received an honorary doctorate and delivered the inaugural Centennial Catholic Lecture.

Carroll honored Cardinal McCarrick with a centennial-year honorary degree because of his lifetime commitment to social justice and care of the human family through his outreach worldwide.

“The Holy Father is a genius,” the cardinal declared in beginning his discussion of Pope Benedict’s latest encyclical during “Carroll in Conversation.” With *Charity in Truth*, Benedict intended to honor Pope Paul VI’s post-Vatican II encyclical *Populorum Progressio*, published in 1967, and the 100 years of Catholic social teaching that led up to it. This social teaching tradition, the cardinal explained, dated back to the 1891 encyclical, *Rerum Novarum* of Pope Leo XIII, specifically addressing human rights, workers’ rights, socialism and capitalism.

As just one example of the latest encyclical’s insights, the cardinal noted that Benedict’s call for reform of the United Nations was language he had never seen in any previous papal document. The encyclical, inspired by Benedict’s desire to respond to the...
international recession, also calls for reform of international finance and the world economy. Meanwhile, it explicitly addresses migration, hunger, end to war and environmental stewardship. While recognizing that the U.S. bishops have campaigned vigorously for environmental responsibility, the cardinal particularly noted that Pope Benedict has made care for the environment one of his great causes. “The Church really needs to give leadership in this, more than it has in the past. . . . We in America have not led (in the environment). That’s obvious, and that has been unfortunate,” he said during “Carroll in Conversation.”

Benedict’s new encyclical breaks new ground in other ways, Cardinal McCarrick maintained. The encyclical boldly declares that all people have a right to clean water and to education, all based on the principle of the dignity of the human person from cradle to grave. “It (the encyclical) is a new step, it is a step forward, but it is very much in keeping with the tradition of the last 110 years,” Cardinal McCarrick noted.

As for the contentious issue of healthcare, the cardinal left no room for debate on universal coverage, stating that he hoped the healthcare debate does not get so bogged down in politics that society is averted from its mission to provide healthcare for the millions of Americans currently without it. “You can’t walk away from . . . people who don’t have healthcare,” he stated. He added that the current system will end in destroying the hospital system and, particularly, Catholic hospitals, which provide services for the uninsured. Some Catholic hospitals, he noted, devote forty percent of their budgets to caring for those who cannot pay—those with no money, no insurance and no addresses. Without Catholic hospitals, the cardinal asked, “Who will take care of the poor?”

“People who have resources have to really take care of the poor. That is Caritas in Veritate,” he concluded. “To be Christian, to be Judeo-Christian, to be Islamic-Judeo-Christian . . . you can’t walk
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When asked during “Carroll in Conversation” how the generations of American Catholics have grasped Catholic social justice teachings, the cardinal was blunt. “Young people today embrace it better than their parents, but perhaps not as well as their grandparents,” he said. He explained that the Catholics two generations ago were comprised of immigrants who knew how imperative it was to care for the poor and form labor unions to safeguard workers’ rights. “Suddenly, we all became middle class and we forgot,” he went on, with the immigrants’ children thinking differently. The cardinal attributed the threat of the nuclear bomb to the new thinking, which created a culture of fear and, as a result, citizens who frowned upon giving resources away, personally or nationally.

Now, he said, a whole new societal transition has arrived with the young generation. Today, he explained, “there are fewer children, but they are not worried about the bomb, they are not afraid they will be the last ones, and therefore they’re open to other people. . . . There’s greater openness now than there was the last generation ago.”

That evening, in full academic regalia, President Tom Trebon, Bishop of Helena George Leo Thomas, faculty and staff ushered the cardinal to the stage to receive an honorary degree. The ceremony was witnessed by hundreds of college employees and students, plus members of the public and many priests. Introducing the college’s honorary degree recipient, Bishop Thomas said of him, “He challenges ordinary Catholics and people of goodwill to give not just of surplus but of substance. Catholics, Christians and non-Christians all welcome him. He is the father of the community of humanity.”

After the ceremony, the cardinal offered his address centered on the encyclical’s principals, but he was eager to note that his main intention was to spread the word that Catholic social thought and teachings were stronger and more relevant than ever in today’s beleaguered world. Recounting his experiences as a working-class kid raised by his widowed mother during the Depression, of his priesthood in Puerto Rican slums and of his travels in AIDS-ravaged Swaziland and the war-torn Sudan, he conveyed the horror story that is daily life now for a billion away from the poor,” he declared.

When an audience member asked how Catholics can expect to keep giving in the face of almost constant disasters and cries for help everywhere, which he termed “compassion fatigue,” the cardinal drew upon his years of experience on the board of Catholic Relief Services. “The only answer to that is faith. . . . to say ‘wake up, you’ve still got to do more, you’ve still got to try harder.’ Really what we need is to keep saying ‘yes,’ no matter how hard it is.”
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In considering any action, broad considerations apply to Catholics, the cardinal maintained, in light of the current global economic crisis, and on this the Pope has spoken strongly. “It is not just the stockholder, but the stakeholders,” Cardinal McCarrick said, listing off the many people whose welfare must be considered in a Catholic’s daily decision making. Those stakeholders include those who make and sell and purchase a business’s goods, all of its employees and, overall, the social good that business is creating for the world and all of its people.

For more information, visit the Carroll website (www.carroll.edu) and its Facebook page (facebook.com/carroll.edu). To listen to Cardinal McCarrick’s Carroll Centennial Catholic Lecture, click HERE.

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As for his new alma mater, the cardinal praised Carroll’s far-reaching reputation, adding that while Montana was his 49th state to visit, he had been aware of Carroll College’s standing long ago. “Everybody knows about Carroll. I’ve always known there was a Carroll College here in Montana. . . . people recognize that you’re doing a special service, and you’re doing it well,” he said with a smile.

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Upcoming Alumni Events

Cardinal McCarrick and Carroll Chaplain and Campus Ministry Director Fr. Marc Lenneman

San Jose Area
Friday, March 5, 2010
Almaden Golf & Country Club
Phoenix Area
Sunday, March 14, 2010
Seattle
March 27, 2010
2010 Alumni Academic Achievement Award
Carroll Campus Center
Recipient: Dr. Mike Kelly, Class of 1963
April 15, 2010
Grand finale to our Centennial Year Celebration!
May 6, 7 & 8, 2010
Manion Symposium
May 6 & 7, 2010
Theater reunion and special centennial theatrical production
May 6 & 7, 2010

Commencement honoring Golden Grad Reunion
Class of 1980 and Class of 1950
May 8, 2010
Italy Alumni Trip
May 17–June 1, 2010
Summer Barbecues: Portland, Spokane, Seattle, Boise, Denver, Kalispell, Billings, Missoula, Helena, Butte, Bozeman
Summer 2010
Symphony Under the Stars – pre-picnic and reserved seating
July 17, 2010
Homecoming
Saints vs. Montana Tech Orediggers
September 24–27, 2010
Wine Tour – Napa Valley
November 3–7, 2010
Bay Area
November 6, 2010
I came to the Carroll College Theology Department in the fall of 2004, having previously served ten years as a campus minister and adjunct faculty member at Saint Mary's College of California. My work in campus ministry focused on social justice initiatives, and it was during that time that I first encountered the name of Raymond Hunthausen. In those days, he was the recently retired archbishop of Seattle. While familiar with the archbishop’s work in Seattle, at the time I knew little of his import to Carroll College or the Helena community. Since moving to Montana, I have gained a deeper appreciation for the archbishop’s pastoral vision, especially his commitment to the poor. In the tight-knit communities of Helena and Carroll College, one cannot live and work here very long before encountering someone who has been touched by Archbishop Hunthausen during his tenure as president of Carroll College and bishop of Helena. One also soon learns that in these two communities the name Hunthausen is synonymous with character and commitment.

It was with great humility, then, that I accepted the college’s appointment of me to the Hunthausen Professorship for Peace and Justice last spring. The impetus for this professorship was funds donated to the college in the archbishop’s name in order to establish a future center for peace and justice. This 2009-2010 academic year has been a time of establishing the mission of the center and promoting its fledgling existence.

It is a fitting tribute to Archbishop Hunthausen that Carroll College has inaugurated this initiative in its centennial year, which has included the visit by Cardinal Theodore McCarrick in fall 2009. The purpose of the cardinal’s visit was to discuss Pope Benedict’s new social encyclical, Caritas in Varitate. In this letter, the pope emphasizes that our economic decisions have moral implications that impact our relationships with one another, with other nations, and with the environment. The pope reminds the members of the Catholic Church, and all people of good will, that when these decisions are shaped by the Gospel and the Church’s social teaching they contribute to the common good and to greater solidarity among all people. A life shaped by the Gospel and committed to the common good and solidarity certainly describes the work of Archbishop Hunthausen during his more than fifty years as priest and bishop.

Given his well-earned standing in the Helena and Carroll communities, the center named in the archbishop’s honor required a mission statement to reflect his legacy. During the spring and fall semesters of 2009, a group of Carroll faculty and staff convened to write the statement. Its introduction states, “Formed by the rich heritage of Catholic Social Teaching and inspired by the pastoral vision of Archbishop Raymond Hunthausen, the mission of the Hunthausen Center for Peace and Justice is to encourage, foster, and support a culture of service that shapes the whole person. Its dedication to service, action, and education is continually renewed through shared fellowship and prayer with all people of good will.” The statement then identifies the six principles that guide the center’s work: justice for the poor, the consistent ethic of life, peace and reconciliation, ecumenism, solidarity, and theological education.

The academic focus of the Hunthausen Center is to provide resources to Carroll faculty to encourage the integration of service-learning and Catholic social
teaching into their courses. Students in service-learning courses commit to a specified number of volunteer hours with a local community charity whose work enhances the courses’ goals and objectives. Naturally, service-learning encourages students to apply what they learn in the classroom to “real world” circumstances. The lifetime service-learning benefit of this coursework challenges students to reflect on how their studies and academic skills can be used to serve the common good now and into the future. The local community also benefits from the students’ time, commitment and energy.

Catholic social teaching also provides a rich heritage our faculty can draw upon to help shape their courses. Its focus on values like human dignity, poverty, the common good and solidarity provides principles that are applicable to a wide spectrum of academic disciplines. For example, during the spring 2010 semester the center is supporting a Fine Arts Department project that blends service-learning and the principles of human dignity and poverty from Catholic social teaching. The students in Photography 101, taught by Jeff Van Tine, will take portraits and record the stories of some of the men who live at God’s Love homeless shelter in Helena. These portraits and stories will be exhibited at Carroll College near the end of the semester to reveal the struggles of Helena’s homeless population. This project is being titled “Portraits in Dignity.”

Another important component of the Hunthausen Center is the administration of the Montana Campus Corps chapter at Carroll. Montana Campus Corps is the state branch of the federal AmeriCorps volunteer program. While the program has existed at Carroll for some time, it now has a permanent home within the Hunthausen Center. Through the program, students earn monetary education awards for completing a designated number of community service hours with a local or national nonprofit service agency (ranging from 300-450 hours per student). I have been fortunate this year to have the assistance of Carroll graduate Laura d’Esterre (class of 2004), who acts as the direct supervisor of the thirty-eight students currently in the program. She also works with me to plan other Hunthausen Center initiatives.

Finally, the Hunthausen Center participates with other organizations on campus to enhance the spiritual vitality of the Carroll and Helena communities. It does this by hosting “Soup and Substance,” which are monthly opportunities for Carroll faculty, staff and students to gather, share a simple meal and reflect on the principles of Catholic social teaching. In addition, the center hosts public forums featuring Carroll faculty from different academic disciplines discussing topics like healthcare reform and the environment. During the spring 2010 semester, the Hunthausen Center will be sponsoring two guest speakers who will address the ethics of the economy and the Holocaust. Lastly, the center is working with a group of students in one of our campus residence halls to integrate prayer and service with their community living experience.

Archbishop Hunthausen has left us all a rich heritage of a life lived in service to the Gospel. It is the goal of the center founded in his name to do the same. As the Hunthausen Center for Peace and Justice moves into the future, it will seek a physical space to house its academic support initiatives and programs. With the participation and the support of the Carroll family, of Helena and of communities beyond, I am confident that it will live up to its promise.
Two years after her death, Sister Annette Moran’s presence returned to Carroll College in a medium as unique as she was in life. As part of the Carroll Centennial, the college honored her with a world-premiere performance of original music and ballet created by two Carroll professors, who based their new works on Sister Moran’s poetry. These poems, which the beloved Theology Department chair had kept secret during her life, were discovered after her death from cancer on July 8, 2007.
Sister Moran’s other closely held secret was a love of dancing, which she confided to those dearest to her and ultimately fostered by taking salsa lessons in the last year of her life. Her unique fascination with dance and the beauty of her verse inspired an all-new musical composition, entitled Patterned for Thee, and the ballet Annette, which were performed for the first time live on stage at Helena’s Myrna Loy Center on July 26, 2009.

The premiere featured the talents of operatic soprano Heather Barnes, composer and Carroll professor Dr. Lynn Petersen on grand piano, and six professional ballet dancers belonging to Carroll’s resident Artisan Dance troupe. The assembled artists interpreted in movement and song Sister Moran’s poetic reflections on universal themes: teaching, hope, disappointment, faith and death. Among the hundreds witnessing the premiere were four members of Sister Moran’s religious order who had flown in from St. Louis, Missouri, and San Jose, California, plus family and friends from coast to coast. The event also offered another world premiere: the release of a new book of Sister Moran’s writings.

It is unlikely that such a blend of diverse performing arts plus literature to honor a Catholic nun has ever occurred before. That uniqueness begins with the music. Patterned for Thee is a musical form called a song cycle, a composition that weaves together a number of individual songs based on poetry or lyrics. Dr. Petersen, Carroll associate professor of music, had experience in this musical form. Her first foray into the world of song cycles was a composition adapted from a religious woman’s life. In 2006, Petersen was commissioned to create a song cycle entitled Mary Dyer, Martyr, based on poems selected from Inconsiderate Madness by Helen Marie Casey. Casey’s poetry chronicled the inner life of the eponymous Quaker woman who was killed for her beliefs in 1660. Mary Dyer, Martyr was performed in Missoula and Helena two years ago, but Dr. Petersen emerged from the experience yearning for the inspiration to create another song cycle.

That inspiration would come after a meeting with fellow Carroll faculty member Sallyann Mulcahy, Carroll artist in residence and director of dance. Mulcahy also serves as the founding director of Montana’s 15-year-old professional ballet company, Artisan Dance, which is in residence during summers at Carroll. In the summer of 2008, a member of the college staff approached Mulcahy and, after discussing Sister Moran’s poetry and interest in dance, asked if Mulcahy would consider creating a new ballet to honor her legacy. Mulcahy knew that such an undertaking would only be possible with original music based on the poetry itself. She turned

To My Students

For this short time we have you here.
What is to be our gift?
Truth (what is that?)
Or how to handle pain?
Love?
And all the things that we are not?
Our failures present before you every day,
like tattered scraps of life we forgot to hide away.

I would give you
a red kite in a blue sky,
a dawn-colored rose
and all the blue bonnets a field could hold.

But no, all I have is this:
loneliness embraced,
an opening to grace,
a letting go of you,
too dear to be possessed.

Sister Annette Moran
to Petersen, who greeted the idea enthusiastically as exactly the project she had been waiting for. Petersen resolved this would be her next song cycle and already had the emerging opera singer in mind to collaborate with: Heather Barnes, a powerful stage presence who had recently earned her vocal performance bachelor’s degree from the University of Toronto.

“I chose six poems with the goal of creating a meaningful and unified portrait of Sister Annette,” Petersen says. Petersen had known Sister Moran as a colleague and was acquainted with some of her struggles with cancer. This, Petersen said, was helpful in the composing process. “Many of her poems, and especially the ones I chose, showed me different glimpses of her faith, how she lived her life, and how she faced death.”

Petersen selected the six works from Sister Annette’s much larger compilation, and pared down some poems to just their central verses. “What I found was that there were some very personal, private reflections of Sister Annette, and those personal reflections were very inspiring and moving,” Petersen added.

While the composing progressed, Carroll President Thomas Trebon learned of the project and knew it fit the theme of Carroll’s centennial celebration perfectly. He also knew that the project required a patron if it was ever to be publicly performed during the centennial, so he and Carroll first lady Scottie offered the seed gift. He was joined by longtime friends of the college Dr. James (class of 1956) and Mrs. Joan (Panyon) Schneller (class of 1957), whose generosity completed funding for the undertaking.

Others off-campus played a critical role in the production. Sister Moran’s religious community of 41 years, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, gave the necessary permission to use her poetry. Meanwhile, Sister Moran’s siblings had been transforming those same poems into a book they planned to publish.

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The result of their labors, A Woman at the Well: The Reflections of Sister Annette Moran, CSJ, PhD, sold nearly 50 copies on premiere night. The book, including full-color photographs and reproductions of watercolors Sister Annette painted, continues selling at Carroll’s Saints’ Shoppe bookstore today. In it are poetry, prose and an illuminating reflection on the Gospel of John’s Samaritan woman who met Jesus at a well.

Sister Moran’s friends played a vital role in creating the ballet. Unlike Petersen, the choreographer had not known the poet. After Mulcahy listened to a recorded performance of Patterned for Thee, Mulcahy realized the challenges she was up against in authentically portraying Sister Annette’s spirit. The difficult first step, Mulcahy decided, was to meet the nun herself by talking to her close friends...
and dearest confidantes, asking them to share their memories of her. These interviews, Mulcahy says, revealed Sister’s very private and courageous inner life as reflected through her friendships and her work.

“I went out to find Annette,” says Mulcahy. “I wanted to look in people’s eyes and actually see Annette. There was not one person I spoke with who didn’t shift to another place. They went to some place that was really beautiful when they talked about her. Little by little, I started to get a picture.”

After meeting Sister through those who loved her, Mulcahy sat down and listened to the recording of Petersen’s music again and wept. “I realized I had found Annette on some level. Lynn captured her so beautifully,” Mulcahy recalls. The choreography quickly followed. “The expression of movement through ballet, which is highly skilled movement, is a reflection of Annette’s words,” Mulcahy says. “The ballet is not about darkness. It’s really about relationships. Everyone has to have meaningful relationships. Annette had so many. She has one with me now. She has one with the people in the audience.”

Among the most memorable moments from premiere night was the solo, entitled Lace, starring ballerina Christy Forehand, portraying the nun radiantly smiling as she soared across the stage in a lilac lace dress to lighthearted music evoking softly raining blossom petals on a spring breeze.

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The song cycle-ballet finale, To Christ, On Death, is based on what was possibly Sister’s last poem, Petersen says. With all six dancers on stage, Forehand is joined by Artisan Dance veteran Robert Greer, representing faith and even God Himself. With Barnes’s emotional voice rising and Petersen’s piano reaching a crescendo, Forehand is open armed, raised to heaven by her fellow dancers, to be wrapped peacefully in Greer’s comforting arms at the end. “In the storm of approaching death, there is strength and courage, and finally, peace,” Petersen explains.

“Dr. Lynn Petersen, Sallann Mulcahy, and the performers did a wonderful job,” offers Ellen (Moran) Fraser, who came all the way from Pompano Beach, Fla., to see the performance. “We were impressed by how much time they had taken to learn about Annette, and we thought the performance captured the spirit of Annette.”

“The Sunday evening event was simple and first-class, beginning to end,” says Sister Moran’s brother Bob, who journeyed to the premiere from his home in Chicago. “It was just the kind of event Annette would have enjoyed. Of course, she would have been embarrassed by all the attention.”

“It was a magical weekend for Annette’s family,” adds Mary Dolan, of St. Louis, Missouri.

“You have no idea how much it meant to me, to all the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet present to witness the dance and music expression to Annette’s poetry,” offered Sister Mary Kay Hadican. “It truly was an incredible evening. We are so grateful, so delighted to have our sister so honored.”

Capture the spirit of Sister Moran in her own words, verse and paintings in this treasury published by her loving family.

Copies of A Woman at the Well: The Reflections of Sister Annette Moran, CSJ, PhD can be purchased for $25 through the Carroll Saints’ Shoppe Bookstore. To order, call 406-447-5417 or e-mail Kitty Sullivan at ksulliva@carroll.edu.
In the peaceful setting of the Rocky Mountains, free from the turmoil of the metropolis, Muslim, Jewish and Christians, scholars, religious and laypeople made a pilgrimage to Carroll College in November 2009 to discuss America’s success with interfaith harmony. Instead of the all-too-frequent negative search for what divides, in a positive fashion the three-day program “To Each a Key: Unlocking the Door to Interfaith Harmony” turned to examples that display what unites. The goal for the program’s speakers, panelists, and audience was to unlock what makes interfaith harmony possible. I opened the conference with a call to participants to consider how the US, with its many faiths, has been able to foster inter-religious coexistence. What makes our nation unique, and what can we teach this violently divided world about harmony among faith traditions?

The program featured Mohamed Elsanousi, the director of Communications and Community Outreach for the Islamic Society of North America; Dr. Jill Carroll, past executive director of the Boniuk Center in Houston, Texas; Rabbi David Sandmel, Crown-Ryan Professor of Jewish Studies at the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago; Dr. Joseph Subbiondo, the president of the California Institute of Integral Studies in San Francisco; and Elizabeth Ursic, professor of Religious Studies, Mesa Community College, Mesa, Arizona. Along with the program’s keynote speakers were Carroll students and faculty and local Helena clergy as roundtable panelists.

However, more than simply a program of speakers, “To Each a Key” featured a range of cultural activities intended to provide an immersion experience. Carroll’s Performing Arts Department students and Chair Chuck Driscoll offered the audience a dramatic presentation drawn from famous faith moments in plays dating back to ancient Greece. An authentic Mediterranean dinner was catered by Sodexo in our Campus Center, offering delights such as vegetable couscous, baba ghanoush and Moroccan chicken. On closing night, the Helena Chamber Singers gave us a rousing musical finale, including the lovely Go Forth into the World in Peace.

Student panelists from various faith traditions answered questions, and I particularly am grateful to Jameson Natwick, Logan Amstadter, Laura Milburn and Mason Siddick for their participation and courage in opening the doors to their personal spiritual lives. Faculty panelists included Carroll Professors James Cross (Theology), Jeanette Fregulia (History), Doreen Kutufam (Communication Studies) and Robert Swartout (History). Bishop of Helena George Leo Thomas provided an invocation one evening, and Mr. Henry Anderson, a Chippewa-Cree elder, did so on a second night.
At this time in world history, such opportunities for reflection, consideration and immersion in a safe environment such as that offered by Carroll College are of utmost importance. During the three days of the conference, I found the audience deeply engaged and the Montana media trying hard to capture the spirit of this rare event. The most surprising coverage came from the International Quran News Agency, which featured a page-long Internet article reviewing the program. A fifty-page souvenir booklet of the event was (and is) also available. Copies can be purchased by contacting me at 406-447-4324 or emailing me at bferst@carroll.edu.

Particularly inspiring was a comment from an audience member I overheard that points to the future: “Think of how exciting it would be for Carroll College to host an interfaith center.” This was echoed by another: “Helena, away from the big city rat race—the perfect place for ongoing interfaith dialogue.” Other remarks were equally heartfelt. “I won’t forget Mohamed Elsanousi’s and Rabbi Sandmel’s talks—they’re filled with the promise of an ecumenical future.”

I noted in my introductory comments on day one of the conference how gratifying it was to see it finally come to fruition, after over a year of preparations, fundraising, invitations and organization. In the beginning, the idea had been to present a one-day discussion of interfaith harmony. When I invited my first speakers and started spreading the idea around Montana, I found that excitement about the prospective program grew quickly. Soon came phone calls and emails from complete strangers who asked to take part and offer their reflections, their gifts and their faith to the event. It soon got too large for a one-day affair and so morphed into the three-day Carroll Centennial symposium we witnessed in November.

People from around the world come to America searching for religious freedom. Many from nations abroad feel more comfortable practicing their faith here than they did in their native land. For nearly 250 years, this nation has been a refuge for those seeking ecumenism’s freedoms. So, it was a joy to see in this symposium the appreciation of this freedom, a freedom secured in the amendments to the US Constitution, in the pages of the documents of Vatican II, and the Carroll College mission statement. A freedom that has led this nation to an interfaith harmony never before experienced in the history of our world.
Interfaith Symposium Guest Speakers

DR. JILL CARROLL
Dr. Carroll is a Houston-based scholar and writer in the field of religious studies. She is an Adjunct Associate Professor in the Department of Religious Studies at Rice University, where she also directed the Boniuk Center for Religious Tolerance until June 2009. She is a recognized expert on issues of religious tolerance, philosophy of religion, American religion, and religion in public life. Her areas of specialty include: the role of religion in world politics, comparative world religions, trends in American religion, the impact of religious diversity in global business, and applied life philosophy. Dr. Carroll earned her Ph.D. in Religious Studies from Rice University in 1994 with a specialty in philosophy of religion. She is the author of numerous articles and four books. A recent book, *A Dialogue of Civilizations: Gulen’s Islamic Ideals and Human Discourse* was a *Publishers Weekly* bestseller in religion, having been in a “Top 10” category on Amazon in May 2007. She is a frequent guest on radio and television programs, and has been interviewed by *The New York Times*, *PBS*, and *Good Morning America*.

She is the creator and director of the Amazing Faiths Project, a national grassroots community initiative that fosters interpersonal relationships between people of all faiths and no faith through dialogue and table fellowship. She has taught widely for many years in the Houston area, including at all campuses of the University of Houston system, Rice University, The Women’s Institute of Houston, The Jung Center of Houston, and in the Texas State prison system.

MR. MOHAMED ELSANOUSI
Mohamed Elsanousi is the Director of Communications and Community Outreach for the Islamic Society of North America (ISNA). His responsibilities include: fostering interfaith relations, strengthening ISNA’s relationships with the Muslim community in North America and supervising ISNA’s joint projects with interfaith organizations and the federal government institutions. Within this context, Mr. Elsanousi developed several new initiatives and projects for the Islamic Society of North America.

Mr. Elsanousi holds a Bachelor’s degree in Shariah and Law from the International Islamic University in Islamabad, Pakistan; a Master of Laws from Indiana University in Bloomington, IN; a graduate diploma in philanthropic studies from the Indiana University Center on Philanthropy; and is currently a Doctoral Candidate in Law and Society at Indiana University, School of Law.

He serves as a national liaison and representative for ISNA at numerous inter-religious conventions and conferences. Mr. Elsanousi also serves on the board of directors and advisors for several interfaith organizations, including the board of governors of the Religious Communicators Council, the Interfaith Broadcasting Commission, the Evangelical for Human Right, and the National Religious Campaign Against Torture.

He has served as a public relations officer for the Islamic Outreach organization in Doha, Qatar (1997-1999), and was elected president of the General Sudanese Student Union in Pakistan. He also coordinated the International Summer Retreat in Khartoum Sudan, for the Muslim Student Association of the United States and Canada.

Mr. Elsanousi has appeared on *Aljazeera, C-Span, Al-hurah, Alarabia*, and other media outlets. He is proficient in Arabic and English, and has basic fluency in Urdu.
Rabbi David Sandmel, Ph.D.

David Fox Sandmel serves as Director of Life-Long Learning at Temple Sholom in Chicago and is Crown-Ryan Professor of Jewish Studies at the Catholic Theological Union. Rabbi Sandmel is also involved in Jewish-Muslim dialogue and in the tri-lateral dialogue between Jews, Christians, and Muslims. He is a member of Rabbis and Imams for Peace and attended the Second International Congress of Rabbis and Imams for Peace in Seville, Spain in 2005. He teams teaches a course at CTU with a Roman Catholic and an Imam on the Abrahamic faiths.

Rabbi Sandmel received his Bachelor of Arts, with honors, in Jewish Studies from the Ohio State University and was ordained at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati. He completed his doctorate at the University of Pennsylvania where he studied the history and literature of Judaism and Christianity in the Greco-Roman world.

Rabbi Sandmel lectures widely on contemporary issues in Jewish-Christian relations and foundations of Judaism and Christianity in antiquity. He is a member of the Society of Biblical Literature, the Association for Jewish Studies, and the Central Conference of American Rabbis (CCAR). He chairs the CCAR Committee on Interfaith Activities and is the CCAR Representative to the Joint UAHCCCAR Commission on Interfaith Relations, the National Council of Synagogues, and IJCIC (The International Jewish Committee on Interfaith Consultations).

Dr. Joseph Subbiondo

Joseph L. Subbiondo, President of California Institute of Integral Studies since June 1999, has served as Dean of the School of Liberal Arts at St. Mary’s College of California; Vice President for Academic Affairs at the University of the Pacific; and Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Santa Clara University. Prior to his administrative appointments, Mr. Subbiondo was a faculty member in the English Departments at Santa Clara University and Villanova University. His numerous scholarly publications are in the area of the history of linguistics, especially regarding the works of John Wilkins and his colleagues in the seventeenth century philosophical language movement. Presently, his principal scholarly interest is in the relationship between language and consciousness.

Dr. Subbiondo has offered many presentations and published several articles on higher education issues, lately regarding spirituality and interfaith dialogue. He has led and served on more than twenty-five accreditation teams for colleges and universities in the Western and North Western regions. He received his undergraduate education at St. John’s University (New York) and his graduate education at the University of Southern California and Temple University.

Dr. Elizabeth Ursic

Elizabeth Ursic is a tenured professor of Religious Studies at Mesa Community College in Phoenix Arizona, where she teaches World Religions, Women and Religion, and Religion in the Modern World. She holds an MDiv from Yale University where she was a fellow at the Yale Institute for Sacred Music with a focus on religion and art. She recently finished her dissertation on feminine images of God in Christian worship at Arizona State University.

Dr. Ursic has presented papers on the contemporary practice of religion at international, national, and regional conferences in the fields of religious studies, women’s studies, and qualitative research. She is chair of the religious studies instructional council for her nine college district. In addition to academe, she enjoys hiking the southwest desert, composing contemplative music, and playing cello at her Franciscan parish where she is also a spiritual director.
Upcoming Centennial Events

Victoria Marks Presents *The Relationship of Faith and Science in a Catholic College* March 31, 2010, 7:30 pm

Victoria Marks, nationally acclaimed choreographer from UCLA, and Ed Noonan, playwright and poet, will present *The Relationship of Faith and Science in a Catholic College*, a performance of work created from discussions with Carroll faculty and staff. The focus is on the theory of evolution and how it relates to faith. Dance and movement will accompany the thoughts and wisdom of the Carroll community in a unique performance for Carroll’s Centennial year.

Theatre *A Piece of My Heart* by Shirley Lauro, March 18, 20, & 24–28, 2010, 7:30 pm nightly; 3 pm only on March 28

Guest Director and Carroll Theatre Alumnus Mr. Peter Ruzevich from the Myrna Loy Center, leads a cast of seven, as they relive the true drama of six women who went to Vietnam, five nurses and a country western singer. The play portrays each young woman before, during, and after her tour of duty in the war-torn jungle and ends as each leaves a personal token at The Wall in Washington.


The performance will be based on a multi-media program of photo images, music and brief scenes of selected plays. We hope to have the various theatre directors from the last 50 years, come and share to keep the memories alive.

*Traces: Montana’s Frontier Revisited* Opening May 6, 2010

Richard Buswell’s (Carroll class of 1966) photography show, *Traces: Montana’s Frontier Revisited*, will open at the Holter Museum in conjunction with Carroll’s Manion Symposium and Gala Celebration.

Impeccably printed black-and-white silver gelatin prints examine the artifacts left behind by Montana’s early miners, ranchers, and homesteaders. *Traces* is travelling throughout Montana and beyond. Dr. S. Richard Buswell’s works are exhibited by many national museums, including the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, the Smithsonian Institution’s National Museum of American History, the Library of Congress, Harvard University’s Fogg Art Museum and the Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art.
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PARTNERS IN HEALTH: DR. STEPHEN SULLIVAN JOINS ALPHA SEMINAR GUEST LECTURER TO DISCUSS HEALTHCARE FOR THE POOR

This fall, Dr. Stephen Sullivan, class of 1996, returned to one of his favorite places, his alma mater, to introduce the 2009 Carroll Alpha Seminar guest speaker, Dr. David Walton. Drs. Walton and Sullivan provide medical care to some of the world’s poorest people at clinics in rural Haiti run by the nonprofit Partners in Health (PIH) and its sister organization in Haiti, Zanmi Lasante (ZL), meaning “Partners in Health” in Haitian Creole.

“What we fundamentally believe in Partners in Health and practice through our work is the statement of healthcare as a human right. We strive to create an option for the poor in healthcare.”

PIH and its lead founder, Dr. Paul Farmer, are the subjects of the freshman Alpha Seminar required reading for this year, Mountains Beyond Mountains: Healing the World: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer, a Man Who Would Cure the World by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Tracy Kidder.

Farmer and a handful of others began PIH in Haiti twenty years ago. Since then, PIH has grown from operating a single rural Haitian clinic to embarking on a cooperative effort with the Haitian national health service, leading to PIH manning nine hospitals across the country. Last year, those community clinics treated 2.1 million patients, and a tenth PIH Haitian hospital is in the offing. Walton’s clinic alone sees approximately 350 to 400 sick people per day and is open around the clock. Sullivan notes that in the Cange, Haiti, clinic alone last year, PIH surgeons performed over 1,900 operations. Meanwhile,
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PIH has expanded its horizons with hospital facilities in 10 countries, including four in Africa. There is even a US outpost in Boston.

“It’s humans helping humans, people helping people,” Walton says. “What we fundamentally believe in Partners in Health and practice through our work is the statement of healthcare as a human right. We strive to create an option for the poor in healthcare.”

The PIH clinics begun by Farmer are the passion of Walton as his heir apparent. Walton has been actively working with PIH since 1997 and is a 2003 graduate of Harvard Medical School with a 2007 Master of Public Health degree from Harvard. Currently, Walton is an associate physician and hospitalist in the Division of Social Medicine and Health Inequalities at Brigham and Women’s Hospital and an instructor of medicine at Harvard Medical School. He divides his time between Brigham and Women’s Hospital (a Harvard teaching affiliate in Boston) and Haiti. The appearance of Drs. Walton and Sullivan at Carroll on September 23 was their chance to share details about living a purpose-driven life, which was the theme of Walton’s Alpha talk that was attended by hundreds from the campus and Helena communities.

HAITI EARTHQUAKE UPDATE

Within four days of Haiti’s deadly 2010 earthquake, Dr. Stephen Sullivan was in Haiti. He immediately dove into 16-hour days performing surgery on the most seriously injured victims streaming in to the PIH Cange clinic, which was ready for patients immediately. With operating rooms in Port-au-Prince heavily damaged or without power, Cange served as the front line right after disaster hit.

“We were the first Partners in Health surgical team to arrive, and one of the first surgical teams to arrive in Haiti,” Sullivan reports. “The morning after the earthquake, people were pouring in. The people who needed emergency operations were able to get them in Cange.” Over the course of a week, his team of five surgeons, including Sullivan’s wife/fellow pediatric plastic surgeon Dr. Helena Taylor, performed over 100 operations on people in critical condition.

MORE SAINT DOCS IN HAITI: ALBERT OLSZEWSKI

Also responding to the Haitian catastrophe was Kalispell, Mont., orthopedic surgeon Dr. Albert Olszewski, class of 1984, who took a week off from his hectic Flathead Orthopedics practice to volunteer as a doctor for Hope Force International. He would be stationed at King’s Hospital in Port-au-Prince for five and a half days. Crushed limbs, shattered pelvis bones, lacerations, infections: he treated it all and solved some unexpected problems along the way.

In Port-au-Prince, he learned that scarce medical supplies were stockpiled in a nearby World Health Organization warehouse that had no means to distribute them. So, he took a brief break from surgery to retrieve the WHO supplies and transport them to the grateful staff at the 40,000-square-foot University of Miami tent hospital performing field surgery in Haiti’s capital. “We had to be creative,” he says with a smile.

Olszewski brought with him ample experience as a top orthopedic surgeon and as an emergency responder. With U.S. Air Force specialized training in rapid mobilization surgical medicine, his first deployment was to the Oklahoma City bombing, where he arrived three hours after the blast.

Dr. Albert Olszewski, MD

Dr. David Walton [photo courtesy PIH]
HAITI REALITIES
Haiti’s proximity to the US belies its distance from us in terms of standard of living. “Haiti is not some exotic place that’s halfway around the world. If your launch point is Miami, Port-au-Prince is closer than Atlanta is,” Walton explains. Born in 1804 after over a decade of brutal slave revolts, Haiti is the second oldest republic in the Western Hemisphere next to the US. Yet, it is the poorest country in our half of the globe, and Haiti’s environmental, food and political crises rival those of the most destitute and unstable areas of Africa. According to Walton, Haiti’s three leading causes of death today are pneumonia, tuberculosis and diarrhea. These were the top three a century ago in the US during the pre-antibiotic era.

Both Drs. Walton and Farmer proved influential guides in Stephen Sullivan’s decision to devote a substantial part of his career to PIH and ZL. A pediatric plastic surgeon, Dr. Sullivan embarked on his first inspirational visit to Haiti in February 2008. From July of that year to July of 2009, he spent most of his time working at the PIH/ZL clinic in Cange, Haiti, doing everything from general surgery obstetric care for women to cleft lip and cleft palate repairs for children.

“As a plastic surgeon, I wanted to provide care in an area of the world neglected of surgical care, specifically plastic surgery,” Sullivan says. “And, Haiti needs food, water, everything.” The PIH/ZL facilities might not be state of the art, but Sullivan joins Walton in living PIH’s credo of doing whatever it takes, no matter what the obstacles are. “While you don’t always have the expensive equipment that you might use in the United States, there’s plenty that you can use to perform safe and effective surgical care,” Sullivan explains. “And, I think it makes you a better surgeon. Our goal is to have First World medical care in the Third World and we are not willing to compromise safety or quality.”

“I came here to let Carroll College students know that there are no limits to what they can do, here or abroad,” Sullivan adds.

After graduating from Carroll, Sullivan was accepted into the WWAMI program and graduated from University of Washington Medical School in 2001. He remained at UW for his plastic surgery training, rotating among four Seattle-area hospitals. In 2007-2008, he spent his fellowship in pediatric plastic surgery at Children’s Hospital in Boston, an affiliate of Harvard Medical School and also served on the plastic surgery faculty. In 2009, he was a global surgery fellow at Boston’s Children’s Hospital and earned a Master of Public Health degree from Harvard. In October 2009, he began his new job as an assistant professor of pediatric plastic surgery at Brown University School of Medicine and Rhode Island Hospital. The post at Brown and Rhode Island Hospital will allow Sullivan to continue to spend time serving in Haiti with PIH/ZL.

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SIGNS OF HOPE
The hard work of PIH is reaping rewards, Walton says, and he sees definite reasons for hope in Haiti.

“Change is happening. Change does happen,” he says, pointing as an example to Haiti’s decreasing HIV infection rate. But, there’s much more to do, he says, especially in attending to the root causes of disease. Social forces like poverty and gender inequality in Haiti and the US are leading factors that put people at risk for chronic illness, including HIV,

Chapel Bon Sauveur in Cange, Haiti, after the January 2010 earthquake, converted to a patient ward for the injured.
Dental Outreach occurred over the Christmas 2009 holiday. Carroll students involved in this trip held a September fund-raiser, Helping Hands for Haiti, to raise money for a poor rural Haitian clinic they will be visiting.

Carroll’s future in Haitian outreach has a strong spokesman on campus with alumnus Stephen Sullivan, who makes no bones about his Saints pride. Bringing his new wife and fellow plastic surgeon, Dr. Helena Taylor, back to his alma mater for the September visit and lecture, Sullivan was the picture of homecoming bliss. He readily noted that, whenever he returns to Montana, the first place he visits is Carroll. “I love this place,” he beamed.
Mike Calnan, Class of 1989 Football

Mike Calnan (1985-88) was a four-year starter at defensive back for Coach Bob Petrino’s Saints. He was a two-time All-Frontier Conference selection and helped Carroll win four straight league championships. As a senior in 1988, Calnan was selected team captain and went on to earn All-District honors. His career record as a Saint was a remarkable 36-6 and also included four straight appearances in the NAIA playoffs.

Kevin VanNice, Class of 1999 Basketball

Kevin VanNice (1995-99) is considered one of the most athletic perimeter players ever to play in the Frontier Conference. He was a four-year letter winner and three-year starter for Coach Gary Turcott, finishing his career as the school’s fifth leading scorer with 1,776 points. VanNice was a second team All-Frontier performer as a sophomore and was named as a first team pick as both a junior and senior. He went on to earn All-America accolades in each of his last two seasons.

J.D. Esteban, Class of 1987 Football

J.D. Esteban (1983-86) was a standout wide receiver and return specialist for Coach Bob Petrino’s Saints. He was a two-time All-Frontier Conference honoree and was an All-District selection his senior season (1985). Esteban was one of the nation’s most dangerous return specialists; setting school records for both kick returns (28.25 yards per return) and punt returns 19.79 yards per return). As a senior, he led the team with 25 receptions for 671 yards and eight touchdowns, including three in one game against Western Montana College (now Montana Western).

Trish Rennaker, Class of 1999 Basketball

A highly celebrated point guard, Darby’s Trish Rennaker (1996-99) was a three-time All-Frontier Conference selection as well as an NAIA Division I Pacific Northwest All-Region honoree. During her sophomore season, the floor general averaged 12.5 points per game and led the team with 146 assists. An outstanding shooter, Rennaker also canned 75 three-point field goals. Her 35 points and nine 3-pointers against Dickinson State were both school records. Rennaker also established a Carroll single-game mark for assists, with 14 against St. Martins.

The 1941 Carroll Football Team

The 1941 Carroll College football team, under the direction of Coach Ed Simonich, completed a remarkable undefeated and unscored upon season. The team’s only blemish was a scoreless tie with the South Dakota School of Mines in the season’s finale. The Hilltoppers (as they were called) opened the season with a 6-0 win over Boise Junior College (now Boise State University) followed by a pair of victories over Western Montana Normal (now Montana Western), 7-0 and 22-0. They wrapped up the Montana Collegiate Conference championship with wins over Whitworth College (8-0) and Montana Mines (now Montana Tech, 6-0).

In the win over Boise, the Hilltoppers earned the victory on the strength of three safeties; the last after Ray “Dutch” Hunthausen hit a spectacular 51-yard punt. Hunthausen was credited with five
punts between 45 and 60 yards. In the next win over Western, Jack McCarvel took over the passing and running duties after a Hunthausen injury, and his 12-yard touchdown pass to Jack Peters was all Carroll needed in the 7-0 win.

Three members of the 1941 Football Team returned to campus: Dr. John “Jack” Lowney, Dr. Bob Kuntz and Archbishop Raymond G. Hunthausen.

**THE WARREN L. NELSON AWARD**
The Warren L. Nelson Award is the highest honor bestowed by the Carroll College Athletic Department and this year’s honorees were **PAM AND STEVE JONES**. Steve began his Carroll career in 1985 as the school’s strength coach and athletic trainer. He moved into the football coaching ranks as linebacker coach in 1986 for Coach Bob Petrino and eventually went on to join Mike Van Diest’s staff in 1999, helping the Saints to a pair of NAIA National Championships. He moved to the school’s full-time Director of Athletic Facilities in 2004 and has helped create the finest athletic facilities in the NAIA. Pam has been with Steve every step of the way. She became the head coach of Carroll’s award winning cheer squad in 1992.

But when it is all said and done, the most admirable quality of Pam and Steve Jones is their unending dedication to the student athlete. They are tireless workers that do all the little things to help make this a special place. We are so very lucky to have Pam and Steve Jones as part of the Carroll Community and Saints’ Athletics!

**ALUMNI HALL OF FAME**

**GENE BOYLE, CLASS OF ‘64**
From 1976-1998, Boyle served at Flathead High School as Dean of Students, coached football, track and softball, was athletic director and assistant principal. He served as Principal at St. Matthew’s School in Kalispell for the past 11 years. Boyle was instrumental in adding 7th & 8th grades to the school. During his 45 year career in education Boyle encouraged students to continue their education, and even brought the 8th graders to Carroll on a field trip each year. Gene was also active in Elks, Lions and Rotary.

**HARRIET HUNTHAUSEN, CLASS OF ‘49**
Hunthausen worked as a nurse after graduating from the first nursing class of Carroll in 1949. She was the first president of the Montana Nurses Association. Hunthausen survived tuberculosis and ovarian cancer and became the mother of nine children. She has served her church and community for years with a compassionate heart ministering as Eucharistic minister to the homebound, assisting with marriage & engaged encounters, RCIA, the parish council and even wrote to those in prison. She and her husband, Tony, recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

**RAY MESSER, CLASS OF ‘69**
Messer has served as president and chairman of the board of Walter P. Moore and Associates since 1991. Under his leadership this leading engineering firm has expanded to 13 cities and has received 34 awards for excellence in all phases of engineering and planning work. Messer serves on the Carroll College Engineering Advisory Council and the Board of Trustees. He and his wife, Elaine, personally underwrote the engineering and seismic study of St. Charles Hall as well as the planning for development of Nelson Stadium and related athletic facilities. Messer takes time each year to send prospective Carroll engineering students a personal letter encouraging them to attend Carroll. In addition Messer serves on the board of a local performing group and his local United Way.
She was spirited through China by her father’s job transfers in his work for a large newspaper. First the family moved to Shanghai for three years, then on to Hankou (today known as Wuhan) in the country’s central region. War took over as the impetus for the rest of her journeys. The Japanese invasion during the Second Sino-Japanese War (1937-1945) led to the fall of the Chinese capital Nanjing (Nanking) and that city’s subsequent defilement in one of the vilest atrocities committed during World War II. The capital’s fall precipitated the Chinese government’s retreat to the Cheng family’s home base in Hankou, which was frequently bombed by the Japanese and would ultimately surrender in 1938. This spread of war to their doorstep left no other option: Cheng’s father obeyed his newspaper’s decision to follow fleeing Chinese government officials in a retreat to the wartime capital of Chongqing [Chungking]. However, wherever her family fled, the Japanese seemed to follow at their heels.

“My mother took the children—at that time I had two brothers and one sister—to a small town in the country to avoid the Japanese air raid,” Cheng remembers. “After eight years of Chinese and Japanese war, we finally moved to Beijing, where I went to a Congregational missionary high school for girls.”

Though she had wanted to become a doctor, medical school was cost-prohibitive for all but the very rich, and no student scholarships existed in China at the time. She determined to become a nurse instead, a financially reachable goal. However, Cheng’s post-graduation plans to enter Beijing’s Catholic University to study nursing were railroaded by yet more violence, with the country just emerging from World War II and now plunged into civil war. When the Chinese Communists invaded Beijing, her father’s work for the Nationalist government marked the entire family, and they packed up for the southeast China city of Kweilin (today known as Guilin). In less than a year, Communist troops were nearing the area and the Cheng family prepared to evacuate once again.

“At that time, my father was elected the equivalent of a U.S. senator from his native province, and all the government’s officials either moved to Chongqing, the war-time capital, or to Taiwan. We had a family conference and talked over where we should move to. We children ganged up on my parents and voted to move to Taiwan,” Cheng says.

Taiwan was a safe haven for those fleeing communism. In 1949, having been defeated in civil war by Mao Zedong’s Communist Party, the Chinese Nationalist Party, led by Chiang Kai-shek, relocated to Taiwan.

“Lucky my parents listened to our wishes. All the officials who moved to Chongqing later all moved to Taiwan because the Communists took over Chongqing a few years later. “You can say I was growing up in the war,” she adds.

Yet, fate would have it that Nancy Cheng would reside in Taipei, Taiwan (also known as Formosa and as the Republic of China), for only 10 months before she discovered an opportunity awaited...
her in unlikely Helena, Montana. This was fortunate, as her family’s move had made her one day late for the Taiwan University entrance examination, leaving her without a college to attend. It was after being denied a chance to take the entrance exam that Cheng recalled her days as an elementary-school student in Chongqing, with her father leading both her and her sister to meet his friend, Catholic Bishop (ultimately to become a cardinal) Paul Yü Pin. The kindly priest had promised that if one day young Nancy chose to study abroad, he would help her.

“I thought of Cardinal Yü in Taiwan when I had no school to study, so my father looked him up and told him about my story. The cardinal promised to find a scholarship for me. That was the early part of 1950. I left Taiwan for Carroll College in July of 1950,” Cheng says. She prepared to depart a vast country she had seen so much of for a vast land abroad she had never heard of.

Carroll College turned out to be a perfect fit for two primary reasons: an excellent nursing program and a full tuition scholarship. Yet, many challenges awaited her in America. The seventeen year old had never left home before, and had never spoken English either. But, her charm carried the day.

“I was a total stranger and the first foreign girl student at Carroll,” Cheng recalls. “I immediately became a celebrity. The newspaper
interviewed me and published a full-page story on me with picture. I walked on the street, people all recognized me due to the newspaper. I was invited to speak to businesswomen and many local clubs. I found people I met were all friendly and warm. They all treated me as an old friend."

She met a Chinese family in Helena and would share a traditional meal at their home. Meanwhile, to pay for her room and board, she worked 20 hours a week at the St. John's Hospital cafeteria, and this led her to make the acquaintance of resident doctors, who hired her to babysit their children.

Her roommate at Immaculata Hall, Lucille Kuntz, originally from Brooklyn, NY, coached Cheng in English, with wiseacre classmates teasing Cheng that she would end up learning the language with a Brooklyn accent.

One might think her youth spent wandering throughout China might have left Cheng travel-weary. Yet, her adventuresome spirit continued as a roving nurse and teacher from coast to coast. After earning her Carroll RN in 1953 and bachelor's in nursing education in 1955, she went on to work as head nurse and instructor in pediatrics at St. Joseph’s Hospital, Tacoma, Wash., then taught nursing at St. Luke’s Hospital, Bethlehem, Pa. Among her career accomplishments, in the late 1950s she helped open a 600-bed teaching hospital at the University of Florida in Gainesville. She served as a nursing instructor and director of the Registered Nurse program at Cerritos College in Norwalk, Calif., from 1965 to 1972. From there, she went on to direct the RN program at Santa Ana College in Santa Ana, Calif., where in 1972 she established a career ladder from Licensed Vocational Nurse to Registered Nurse Program. For almost 20 years, she taught nursing at Rancho Santiago College in Santa Ana, Calif., where she retired in 1996. Today, she resides in Irvine, Calif., one of the cities with the lowest crime rate in the U.S., notes Cheng, who has plenty of good reason dating back from childhood to seek a peaceful safe haven.

Though her nursing career did not require an advanced degree, Cheng seized the opportunity to earn a master’s in education in counseling and guidance from University of Florida, Gainesville, Fla. In 1980, she earned a doctorate in education from Nova University, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Later in life, Cheng went on to teach online at the University of Phoenix, with her students comprised of working adults on southern California campuses.

Her nursing educational outreach continued after her formal retirement from nursing. For over ten years, as a professor for the Rancho Santiago Community College Inmate Education Program (established by Santa Ana College in California), she taught substance-abuse, parenting and health classes at men’s and women’s county prisons. And, she’s remained deeply involved in civic life

“Carroll gave me the philosophy of helping others all you can and whenever you are able. This is the philosophy that I live by. I enjoy every minute of it and never thought about what reward that I’ll receive.”
over the years. A veteran chief executive officer of many associations, she currently serves her second term as president of Irvine Multicultural Association (IMA). Her work with IMA focuses on the annual Irvine Global Village Festival, now in its eighth year, with thousands attending to sample diverse ethnic entertainment, food, religions and products. In addition, Cheng teaches a group of Chinese seniors once weekly through the IMA’s English Mentoring Program.

“We also have a Building Bridges program, where we visit different cultural centers. Last year, we sponsored the Three Countries 60th Anniversary Celebration of India, Israel and South Korea at Irvine City Hall,” she explains.

At the Irvine Adult Day Care Health Service, she has served on the board of directors since 2001 and is now treasurer. An elected member of the Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council, she takes on issues particularly pertinent to older citizens. From singing in the church choir to volunteering at the Health Insurance Counseling Advocacy Program advising fellow Chinese senior citizens about health insurance, to answering phones at the Council on Aging call center, Cheng says that she’s busier in retirement than she was working full-time.

All this labor has not gone unnoticed. In 2008, Cheng was recognized as the Citizen of The Year by the Irvine Chamber of Commerce for her volunteerism and contributions to senior services and cultural awareness programs.

Reflecting on the long journey of her life that brought her to Carroll and beyond, Cheng harbors warm memories of her time at her alma mater. “The nursing education I received from Carroll College prepared me to enter any nursing field without difficulty,” she says. “Carroll also taught me to serve others, to help others with a smile. Carroll gave me the philosophy of helping others all you can and whenever you are able. This is the philosophy that I live by. I enjoy every minute of it and never thought about what reward that I’ll receive.

“Giving is always better than receiving.”

CARROLL COLLEGE RECEIVES GIFT OF LIFE: AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS INSTALLED CAMPUS-WIDE

In autumn 2009, Carroll installed Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) throughout campus. The installation of the devices and training of college emergency responders to use them was made possible by a gift of approximately $25,000 from Carroll board of trustees member Shaun Corette and his wife Mary Ann Corette of Chevy Chase, Md. The AEDs were supplied to the campus at manufacturer’s cost by Carroll alumna Glenn Bliss (class of 1991), the president of General Distributing Company, a Great Falls medical supply vendor. Bliss partnered with Carroll College in the past by donating a ventilator/compressor system valued at $20,000 for use in the Carroll Nursing Department lab.

In all, Carroll now has sixteen AED units, with one installed in every major campus building and a roaming unit for use by emergency responders employed by the college. An AED is a portable electronic device that automatically diagnoses the potentially life-threatening cardiac arrhythmias of ventricular fibrillation in a patient, and is able to treat them through defibrillation. Defibrillation is the application of electrical therapy which stops the arrhythmia, allowing the heart to re-establish an effective rhythm. AEDs are designed to be simple to use for the layman, and the use of AEDs is taught in many first aid, first responder and basic life support (BLS) level CPR classes.

“We are always concerned for the safety of our students, employees, and guests on our campus. Mr. and Mrs. Corette’s gift of AEDs improves our ability to assist others when a health challenge arises,” says Tom McCarvel, Carroll’s vice president for community relations.

This project began with a student government initiative last spring. The Associated Students of Carroll College’s executive officers Patrick Manning (a spring 2009 graduate), Blair Parker, Lani Franks-Ongoy and Jimmer Natwick researched and wrote a proposal asking the school to purchase the AEDs. The students presented their proposal to the college board of trustees during its spring 2009 meeting on campus.

“The officers expressed how important AEDs are to our school, using personal testimony from a near-death experience Patrick Manning had with a teacher in his high school,” Parker says. “The board was very sensitive to this request, and agreed to see what they could do for us.”

The result is apparent—and comforting—throughout campus today. The community hopes these devices will never need to be used, but having the AEDs gives this service-minded campus the confidence of being ready to help someone in need.
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Engineers Without Borders Expands: Return to Mexico & First Trip to Guatemala

By: Ashley Oliverio

Jonathan Rainwater at surveying instrument discusses project with fellow student Mark Perez as locals pass through near the Mexican orphanage.

Rainwater, Perez and Professor Oberweiser at dam and reservoir near the orphanage.
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The other crew flew to the Diocese of Helena’s mission, which encompasses the Clínica Maxeña health center in the Guatemalan mountains near Santo Tomás la Unión and the La Asunción School, located in the nearby village of Xejuyup. Led by the school’s director and longtime mission priest Rev. Jim “Hazy” Hazelton, class of 1949, the school children warmly welcomed Carroll Professor of Engineering Willis Weight, professional engineer Dan Wetstein, three Carroll students—Grant Williams as trip leader, Sydney Bronson and Kyle Sturgill-Simon—and K.D. Cooney. Cooney holds two Carroll degrees: one in chemistry earned in 2003 and another in community health, awarded in May 2009.

En route to their Latin American destinations, the voyagers of both teams were surprised by a delightful Denver area side trip: a stopover at Dan Wetstein’s CH2M HILL firm. The vice president of this international engineering concern, Dan Wetstein led the students on a tour of the Englewood, Colo., world headquarters. The Carroll undergrads had their turn at meet-and-greet by giving the CH2M HILL engineers a slideshow summary of Carroll’s EWB accomplishments over the past five years in Mexico and their future plans for Guatemala and for Mexico.

“Hopefully, this won’t be the last time Carroll students visit the firm,” Dan Wetstein says. “Everyone was very favorably impressed with the Carroll students, and we lined the students up with our service outreach coordinators for future follow up.”

Then, it was time to board two planes, one bound for Mexico, the other Guatemala. Though headed to different destinations, water was on the minds of both teams. “Engineers Without Borders has a big mission to get clean water to people,” says Carroll’s Roberts Nix Engineering Professor Scharf, the lead faculty mentor for the Mexican outreach trips. “The pope’s new encyclical, Caritas in Veritate, mentions access to clean water as a basic human right.”

Mexico

Having completed a wastewater treatment project at the Santa Maria orphanage and developed an on-site tilapia fish farm and field irrigation to use the clean water the system produces, Scharf’s team arrived with a new idea to help the orphanage. The concept began when EWB started thinking about the nearby 50-foot dam. First built by Franciscan monks in the 1850s, the dam was recently restored, with an additional meter in height added to it by local stoneworkers. “We’re going to design an
irrigation system from the reservoir to farm fields at the orphanage to grow spices as a cash crop to generate revenue,” Scharf says. The money raised from spice sales on the international market will pay for orphanage kids to attend college in the city of Queretaro. Tuition there is $2,000 to $3,000 per student annually. With expected spice revenues up to $30,000, Scharf envisions Santa Maria will be able to send ten of its residents yearly to the University of Queretaro.

The dam-to-spice-farm pipeline will range a mile long, and Carroll’s EWB students and mentors spent this trip measuring, surveying and collecting data for such an installation. Currently, the students are designing a detailed pipeline system, with oversight by their professional mentor Willis Wetstein, the former president and CEO of Morrison-Maierle Inc., and his firm’s assistance with data analysis and student mentoring. A recent inductee into the Montana Professional Engineers Hall of Fame and a charter member of Carroll’s Engineering Advisory Board, Willis Wetstein is a four-time veteran of these Mexican EWB trips. He foresees new challenges with the next phase of the ongoing project, including anticipating the irrigation of future new crops and designing the current project to fit not only soil types but also topography and the particular spices to be planted. This is complicated enough, but the students must also find a way to construct the pipeline over the rocky terrain standing between the dam and spice fields.

“Working with the Carroll College engineering students on their EWB projects is a real joy for me,” Wetstein reflects. “I am really impressed with the energy level and enthusiasm that the Carroll students display in undertaking the tasks required of these projects. A lot of credit is due to these students who voluntarily give up their time to undertake additional EWB activities on top of their busy school schedules.”

The professional collaboration is increasing, with Colorado State University soil scientists advising Carroll’s EWB students on irrigation and spice farming techniques. Also lending expertise are engineering professors from the University of Queretaro.

GUATEMALA

The inaugural trip to the diocesan mission school began with some helpful background information gleaned from Carroll Chemistry Professor Kyle Strode’s water quality study conducted in fall 2008 at Clinica Maxeña, La Asunción and the surrounding area. Based on Dr. Strode’s data, Scharf says, the school’s water supply has bacterial contamination, and people in the area have been suffering sickness for a number of years because of it.

“The springs aren’t protected. Surface runoff drains into the springs during the rainy season,” Scharf notes from Strode’s report. Locals also do not use safe water handling practices, Scharf adds, with cooking pots and drinking water buckets employed for multiple household uses and not sterilized, perpetuating bacterial spread.

After interviewing the teachers, staff and students at La Asun-
“I found the experience very rewarding,” says Dan Wetstein of this, his first journey with a Carroll EWB group. “The relationship I saw between Carroll and the mission is very positive for the EWB program. And, the tie between the students and the mission seems to create a real catalyst, bringing the next level of enthusiasm to the project.”

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“ They had a list of their dreams, and we made a list of what we thought we could do for them,” Weight says. “On a recommendation from Dan Wetstein, we chose some things we could do immediately, intermediately and long-term.”

For the immediate phase, projected for the group’s May 2010 return trip, Carroll’s EWB students, guided by K.D. Cooney’s expertise in community health, will implement basic lifestyle changes at the school to promote sanitation. This will include teaching proper hand-washing techniques to the middle and high schoolers, with instructions they can take back home to their families, broadening the benefit to communities outside the school zone. The intermediate project is designing and building a perimeter wall or fence. For the long-term project, Weight says the top priority is assuring a clean water supply to the school. Options to deal with this challenge include raising the protective barrier for one of the source springs in the mountains so that surface runoff does not contaminate it. Water filtration systems in the pipeline before it reaches school faucets are another possibility.

“We feel optimistic that we can do some good there,” Weight adds, noting that hard work lies ahead. “The students worked some long days with no complaint on the trip. We foresee starting serious work at the spring this May.”

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As design work feverishly progresses to make the spring deadlines for project submissions to EWB-USA for the necessary approval, fundraising is also underway. Major financial support for the previous wastewater treatment system came from Rotary International and local Rotary clubs in Helena, Colorado, and Mexico, and Scharf expects to approach Rotary for these new initiatives. To put the “fun” in fundraising, Carroll’s student EWB chapter has cooked up a pre-St. Patrick’s Day gala fundraiser March 13 to bring in resources for both the Mexican and Guatemalan EWB endeavors.

In all, Carroll’s EWB has traveled six times to Mexico and once to Guatemala, since the autumn of 2006. Scharf says he is confident that, with continued strong financial support, Carroll EWB can keep up its brisk pace of two to four trips yearly to do humanitarian engineering work in Latin America.
Of Carroll’s 14 total chief executives, three past Carroll presidents were in attendance: Monsignor Joseph Harrington, Dr. Francis Kerins and Dr. Matthew Quinn. Due to health issues, Rev. Anthony Brown and Archbishop Raymond Hunthausen were unable to be there. Because of a scheduling conflict, Rev. Stephen Rowan could also not arrive in time. All three sent their deepest regrets in missing the celebration but wished the college well in its night of jubilation.

Also honored at the dinner was a Carroll faculty member whose work bringing the college’s history to life provided the research that went into the evening’s tribute to past presidents. After years of painstaking investigation, reflection and writing, Dr. Robert Swartout released last spring the definitive Carroll history, *Bold Minds and Blessed Hands: The First Century of Montana’s Carroll College*. At the dinner, current Carroll President Tom Trebon presented Dr. Swartout with number 100 of the special limited leatherbound edition of his book.
50 YEARS OF PRESIDENTS HONORED: A HALF-CENTURY MARCH TO THE CARROLL CENTENNIAL

Eighth President — ARCHBISHOP RAYMOND HUNTHAUSEN (1957-1962)
At age 35, Raymond “Dutch” Hunthausen, Carroll class of 1943, began his Carroll presidency with the dedication of the Science-Library Building and Borromeo Hall. President Hunthausen later oversaw construction of Guadalupe Hall and a student union building. Also during his tenure, the lovely statue of the Blessed Mother and Child was erected. With the sudden death of Bishop Gilmore in 1962, President Hunthausen became the first Montana-born bishop of the Diocese of Helena. He would be the youngest American bishop to attend Vatican II, and would later serve as Archbishop of Seattle.

Ninth President — MSGR. ANTHONY BROWN (1962-1969)
Fr. Anthony Brown assumed a presidency that resulted in the construction of a new wing on Guadalupe Hall (1964), the creation of O’Connell Hall (1966), and groundbreaking for the Physical Education Center in 1968 (completed in 1970). He established Carroll’s Office of Development (1963) and the Carroll College Foundation to raise funds. In 1968, he ushered in the college’s first lay board members and expanded the faculty to an all-time high of 77 full-time members. Over the course of his presidency, enrollment soared to over 1,000 for the first time (1969).

Tenth President — MSGR. JOSEPH HARRINGTON (1969-1974)
Fr. Joseph Harrington, Carroll class of 1952, was already Carroll’s dean of studies and executive vice president and professor of biology when he was named president. Rev. Harrington’s presidency saw the hiring of more lay faculty and greater emphasis on caring for all faculty and staff, such as extending sabbatical leaves, improved medical benefits, and the retirement program to all full-time employees. Responding to society’s increasing calls for more nurses, he spearheaded the move to create a full baccalaureate nursing program at Carroll. With a vision of making Carroll a leader in medical preparation, President Harrington pushed forward the plans to create programs in medical records, dental hygiene and medical technology.

Eleventh President — DR. FRANCIS KERINS (1974-1989)
Dr. Frank Kerins was the first lay president in Carroll’s 64-year history. During his tenure, Carroll’s first library building was constructed in 1977, with its renaming in honor of Jack and Sally Corette later in 1986. He promoted the college with his national activities, including joining and serving on the boards of the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities, Council of Independent Colleges and the American Council of Education. Dr. Kerins would hold the Carroll presidency longer than anyone else in the school’s history with the exception of Monsignor Emmet Riley. At the end of his term, Dr. Kerins led the college through the process of rebuilding after the devastating railroad explosion of 1989.

Twelfth President — DR. MATTHEW QUINN (1989-2000)
Dr. Quinn began his presidency overseeing campus reconstruction and repairs necessitated by the 1989 train explosion. After this was completed, he led a new phase of campus improvement and expansion. The Commons was modernized, expanded and reopened as the Carroll Campus Center. The Science Building was transformed by the historic campaign to create the Mary Alice Fortin Science Center, followed by Science Hall renovations to what we now call Simperman Hall. Founder’s Corner was established, and in 2001 the college opened the doors to Nelson Stadium, home of the future national champion Fighting Saints. Dr. Quinn’s presidency also saw the establishment of a stand-alone major in civil engineering.

Thirteenth President — REV. STEPHEN ROWAN (2000-2001)
Rev. Rowan, appointed as interim Carroll president, only had one year at the Carroll helm, during which he provided the seamless transition and firm leadership necessary to sustain Carroll’s enrollment growth, endowment increase and reputational excellence. As a steward, President Rowan took great care of the Carroll community. When Dr. Thomas Trebon was inaugurated in 2001, President Rowan could take pride in having the most beautiful Carroll ever to offer his successor.
Carroll Talking Saints Forensics Wins 20th Consecutive Northwest Championship

The Carroll College Talking Saints forensics team swept to 100-point victory over Boise State at the Pacific University Scheller Forensics Tournament on January 26-28, 2010, clinching its 20th consecutive Northwest Forensics Conference Championship. Carroll has not lost a regional championship tournament since October 1990, a string of nearly 50 tournaments. Carroll earned a Gold Program Award for its victory, the highest recognition in the conference.
Thanks to a generous donation from Karen Seiler Bohlinger and the A. J. Seiler Trust in memory of Arthur J.P. “Art” Seiler, III, and Jeannie Watson Seiler, a one-of-a-kind brick sofa was installed in front of the library. Art Seiler, known in the Helena community for a multitude of business ventures, was the first Montanan to graduate from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). After graduation, the third-generation Helena native pursued a career in industry that ranged from manufacturing in-the-window air conditioning units to coating pipes for use in nuclear power plants. All told, Seiler owned or served as president of 38 companies throughout his lifetime—the majority of them located across the eastern United States.

Art served on the Carroll College Board of Trustees from 1984 to 1995. He died at the age of 94. Art and his wife Karen Seiler Bohlinger generously supported Carroll.

In summer 2009, Ralph Esposito, Professor of Fine Arts: Visual Arts, traveled to the Endicott brick foundry in Fairbury, Nebraska, located about one hour from Lincoln. He spent two weeks carving the brick bench. When the sofa was completed, the bricks were fired and shipped to Helena. The bench was assembled on location by Esposito along with Dale and Dan Sykes.

The inscription reads:

In Memoriam
Arthur J.P. “Art” Seiler, III
Jeannie Watson Seiler
Lessons for a long life: pause, rest and observe the surroundings.
Endowed Academic Positions

One of the campaign’s great achievements was the nearly sevenfold increase in the number of Carroll’s endowed academic positions. The college now has 14 such positions, including:

Existing
- The Guido Bugni Fund
- James J. Manion Endowed Chair in Biology
- Clarence A. (Bud) Ryan, Steve Ryan & Joe Pat Ryan Distinguished Professorship in Chemistry Endowment
- Byron and Irene Roberts and Albert and Marie Nix Professorship in Engineering

New
- Archbishop Raymond Hunthausen Endowed Professorship in Peace and Social Justice
- Endowed Professorship for Entrepreneurial Business
- Fr. William F. Greytak Professorship in History and the Humanities
- Joseph A. Maierle and Morrison-Maierle Endowed Professorship in Civil Engineering
- William J. Lannan Professorship in Physics
- Monsignor Joseph Harrington Endowed Professorship in Philosophy
- Margaret Perryman Endowed Professorship for Human Animal Bond Degree Program
- Henry (Hank) Burgess Professorship in English

Dr. James and Joan Schneller Endowed Professorship in Catholic Mission & Identity
- American Federal Savings Bank Endowed Professorship for Finance

Enhance Catholic and Spiritual Vitality

Because of caring donors, Carroll has accomplished several goals related to Catholic and Spiritual Vitality: establishment of an endowed professorship and program endowments to supplement funding from the College’s operating budget for program activities.

Gene and Mary Lou Mallette – Gene (class of 1971) and Mary Lou Mallette have a long history of Carroll giving to a number of student scholarships and internship-scholarship programs at Carroll. They proudly support Saints Athletics and the Nelson Stadium project, for which Gene was recognized in 2003 with the Warren Nelson Award. In the Campaign, Gene and Mary Lou have built upon this legacy of giving by strongly supporting the Archbishop Hunthausen Professorship in Peace and Social Justice and establishing the Mallette Campus Ministry Endowed Scholarship.

Dr. and Mrs. James (class of 1956) and Joan Schneller (class of 1957)
are people of faith who represent the essence of the college’s call to Learn-Serve-Lead. They are servants in their Church and have devoted their professional and personal lives to helping others in need across the globe. They offered their most recent gifts to support the Sister Annette Endowment in Servant Leadership because they believe that tomorrow’s leaders should be servants first, and that caliber of leadership begins at Carroll. They also established the Dr. James and Joan Schneller Endowed Professorship in Catholic Mission and Identity to stimulate and enhance ongoing community-wide exploration and dialogue about our identity as a Catholic liberal arts college.

Dr. Christopher Fuller, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Theology, has been named the Hunthausen Professor for Peace and Justice last spring. See related story on page 8.

**Providing for Students in the Future through Planned Gifts**

The Centennial Campaign goal included estate intentions. To date, 16 donors have advised the Advancement Office that they have provided for Carroll College in their estate. Two recent gifts are:

**Mary Munger** served as a respected member of Carroll’s nursing faculty, and she has been honored as a leader for nurses in Montana and beyond. She is a past executive director of the Montana Nurses’ Association who has spent her professional life promoting quality care for patients and workplace rights for nurses. Mary has offered the college a significant gift annuity, in hopes that others will follow her example of stewardship.

**Scott** (class of 1987) and **Heidi Pasek** are educators. Scott’s professional life is devoted to teaching at-risk students, and Heidi is an administrator at the Montana State University Great Falls College of Technology. Because of their lifetime commitment to education and their interest in fostering the next generation of inspired teachers, they have generously pledged an estate gift to support scholarships for Carroll education majors.

If you are interested in discussing planned giving, please contact Dan Minor, 406-447-5538 or dminor@carroll.edu.
Creating & Enhancing New Scholarships

With the current economic situation, the Centennial Campaign has emphasized the need for scholarships for students. The board of trustees approved matching endowed scholarship gifts up to $2 million. Listed at right are new and existing scholarships that were matched.

If you are interested in setting up a scholarship and receiving the match, please contact Candie Cain, 406-447-4389 or ccain@carroll.edu.
THE MANION SYMPOSIUM, established at Carroll College in 1988, recognizes the dedication and contributions of Professor James J. Manion, commemorates “Doc” Manion’s academic legacy and emphasizes discussion of current topical issues in the natural sciences. The symposium is hosted every other year by the Biology Program of the Department of Natural Sciences and attracts alumni and friends of the college. Senior honors thesis students of the department showcase their research accomplishments and keynote speakers offer lectures along with panel discussions. The upcoming Manion Symposium, scheduled in conjunction with Carroll Centennial Gala and Commencement weekend, May 6-7, 2010, features presentations and discussions of Current Issues in American Healthcare. This timely topic is one of the major national concerns of American citizens and is relevant to Carroll alumni who have trained for, sought, and realized professional positions in human healthcare.

The schedule revolves around the plenary lecture, Healthcare Issues in America, by Senate Finance Committee Chairman Max Baucus. Accompanying this lecture will be a series of comments and discussion from members of a distinguished panel representing physicians, government, science, religion and the insurance industry.

This year, Nursing alumni are invited to participate in the Manion Symposium.

The symposium will commence with a May 6 reception at the Holter Museum for the opening of Traces: Montana’s Frontier Revisited—a photo exhibition by Dr. Richard Buswell.

Questions and comments concerning the 2010 Manion Symposium can be addressed to: Dr. Gerald F. Shields, Ph.D., James J. Manion Chair, Carroll College, gshields@carroll.edu, (406) 459-7644.
Two members of Carroll’s faculty recently announced their work has been published in newly released books.

**Spanish Professor Tomas Graman** is a contributing author in *The Child: An Encyclopedic Companion*, released this fall by The University of Chicago Press. This single volume encyclopedia features the best contemporary scholarship on children and childhood from a variety of disciplines. Dr. Graman authored the encyclopedia article on foreign language education. In his article, Dr. Graman discusses the issues surrounding foreign language acquisition, including its benefits to childhood development and learning across disciplines, and the controversy between bilingual education and the English-only movement.

Some of **Theology Professor Jim Cross’s** research on Archbishop Raymond G. Hunthausen has been recently published in *Catholic Identity and the Laity* (Orbis Books 2009). As Carroll’s Hunthausen Center for Peace and Social Justice is inaugurated, Dr. Cross explains how this Center can be guided especially by one of the archbishop’s pastoral letters. Cross’s research included interviews of the archbishop and Bishop of Helena George L. Thomas. This is the second scholarly publication in as many years that Dr. Cross has produced in the area of Catholic social thought.

**CARROLL PROFESSOR RECEIVES 3rd DOCTORATE WHILE IN BELGIUM**

On October 5, 2009, Carroll College Assistant Professor of Theology Brian Matz was in Leuven, Belgium, receiving his second PhD from the Catholic University of Leuven, the second largest state university in Belgium. At the same time, he was also awarded an ecclesiastical doctorate, a *Sacris theologicae doctorem* (STD), which is given by the university in Leuven on behalf of the Vatican. In all, Matz holds three doctoral degrees.

The title of his recent dissertation to earn his second PhD is *Patristic Social Thought and Contemporary Christian Social Thought: Some Hermeneutical Models for a Dialogue*.

After earning his first doctoral degree in the history of Christianity in late antiquity at Saint Louis University, he worked from 2005 to 2008 as a research associate at the university in Leuven, affiliated with the Center for Catholic Social Thought, for which he produced several articles and books. He explored connections between Christian texts from late antiquity on social ethics and modern documents from the Catholic Church on social ethics.

According to Matz, social ethics is a field of study concerned with questions of economic, political and environmental justice. He notes that he was employed in the accounting field before turning to graduate studies in history and religion. “I feel like I’ve returned to where I started. Researching and writing in the field of early Christian social ethics combines all three of my interests: business, history and religion,” Matz says, noting that he pursues these interests by focusing on contemporary economic and political questions.

Matz’s receipt of the third doctorate is rather unique, since he is not Catholic. When asked about why he, a non-Catholic, would have earned the ecclesiastical degree, he replied, “The short answer is that I had contributed to the strengthening of the Catholic Church through my work on behalf of the research center. On a personal level, although I am not Catholic, my research work has cultivated a deep affection for the Catholic Church and its history. Protestants and Catholics have more in common than perhaps many from both communities realize. The same can be said for Orthodox and other eastern Christian traditions, too.”

Matz says he hopes that his Carroll theology students develop an appreciation for the long Christian tradition and the richness of faith that may be found within the Catholic Church.

Carroll administrators believe Matz may be the first professor in Carroll’s history to have ever earned three doctorates, though he is not the first to have earned more than one. For example, Carroll’s current Theology Department Chair John Ries also earned both the PhD and STD degrees from the Catholic University of Leuven.
During the fall 2009 semester, the M. J. Murdock Charitable Trust announced that it approved a $25,000 grant for Carroll to fund the college’s research start-up for a new physiology faculty member. This funding will be fully matched by the college, for a total grant of $50,000. The grant will assist the college during a faculty search for a professor of physiology, including the purchase of new laboratory equipment and supplies to support the new professor and a team of undergraduate research students.

According to Carroll James J. Manion Endowed Chair of Biology Dr. Gerald Shields, the award is intended to enhance the pool of applicants for new tenure-track faculty positions in the college’s Department of Natural Sciences by providing significant research start-up funding. The award anticipates adding $15,000 more if the hired natural sciences faculty member attracts new outside research funding after three years.

“The award can be used for research equipment, supplies, faculty summer salary and student research stipends,” Shields notes. “This is Carroll’s second research start-up award from the Murdock Trust, which granted the college an identical award in 2006 for our faculty position in biochemistry/molecular biology.”

In addition, the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust supports Carroll in a variety of other science ventures. In 2006, Shields received a $40,000 grant from Murdock to continue ongoing studies of black fly species in Montana with his eight student researchers. In 2005, Murdock granted Carroll $190,000 to support improvements to the college’s Nursing department lab.

Carroll College has received a $180,000 grant from the National Science Foundation to run a three-year project, starting this spring semester, entitled “MathVote: Teaching Mathematics with Classroom Voting.”

The project will bring together a team, including Carroll faculty and professors from five other institutions across the country, to study the use of classroom voting in collegiate mathematics and to develop curricular materials for this project. Carroll Associate Professor of Mathematics and Astronomy Kelly Cline is the principal investigator on the project, with Carroll Associate Professor of Mathematics Holly Zullo serving as co-principal. Other faculty will include Dr. David Lomen of the University of Arizona, Dr. Jean McGivney-Burelle of the University of Hartford, Dr. Ann Stewart of Hood College, Dr. Kathleen Shay of Middlesex County College, and Everilis Santana of the Community Colleges of Rhode Island.

Classroom voting is a teaching technique where the instructor poses a multiple-choice question to the class and allows a few minutes for students to work and discuss things in small groups. Then, each student must vote on the best answer, usually with a hand-held electronic “clicker” remote control device. Student votes are instantly received and tabulated on a computer, which displays the results and provides immediate feedback to both the students and the instructor. The results can assist the professor in guiding a classroom discussion to focus on the key points that have been learned and missed.

“We have been using this teaching method in our mathematics courses here at Carroll College since fall 2004 with great success,” Cline says. “This teaching technique is highly effective at producing a more interactive classroom, at getting each and every student to engage, to participate, and to intellectually grapple with the relevant issues. As a result of using classroom voting, our students report that they have more fun in math class, and we are quite convinced that they learn more as well.”

Project MathVote will begin with a meeting of the project team at Carroll College during June 2010. Faculty participating will write and test questions that will be used in MathVote classroom applications. The faculty will also conduct research to investigate how this teaching method can be used most effectively.

The recent NSF grant follows an earlier NSF-funded project at Carroll College entitled “Math QUEST: Math Questions to Engage Students.” In Math QUEST, Carroll mathematics faculty members Drs. Cline, Zullo and Mark Parker received $100,000 to develop classroom voting questions for Carroll mathematics courses in linear algebra and differential equations.
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