Embracing the TMC experience and building upon its tradition of excellence
Dear Friends,

Traditions play a big role in each of our lives and in the life of this institution. Among the many definitions listed in the New American Dictionary are two that speak to this issue of Moreover. The first simply defines a tradition as any “time-honored practice.”

This year, 302 eager young women and men (the largest class of freshmen in 20 years) began the dawn of their Thomas More experience with a three-day orientation. The first day included a formal program for the students and their parents, beginning with Mass celebrated by Bishop Roger Foys, the chancellor of the College, and ending with a formal convocation, where the new students were officially incorporated into the Thomas More College community. These two traditions are “time-honored practices” that speak to key aspects of our College — faith and community.

In October, we welcomed more than 500 alumni and friends to celebrate Homecoming, many of whom mark their calendars for this event each fall. It has definitely become a “time-honored practice” which, as you will notice in the photo spread on pages 16 and 17, is also a great time.

Many of you have continued the tradition of giving during this challenging economic time, and we are very grateful. Because of your continued generosity (your “time-honored practice”), we have been able to offer scholarships and financial aid packages that make a Thomas More education affordable to many students. (Over 90 percent of them receive some type of financial aid, and with a growing student population, we truly value gifts of any size.)

The second definition of tradition, “a mode of thought or behavior followed by a people continuously from generation to generation” speaks to the heart of our mission to provide a quality Catholic liberal arts education. Our alumni have established a tradition of academic excellence and giving back to the community at Thomas More since 1921. For almost 90 years now, this College has been committed to challenge generations of students “to examine the ultimate meaning of life, their place in this world and their responsibility to others.” As you read this issue of Moreover, you will encounter stories of how our students, faculty and alumni are doing just those things.

As we enter this holiday season when traditions play such an important role, may the traditions of your Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas be filled with God’s blessings of faith, family and friendship.

Sincerely,

Sr. Margaret Stallmeyer, C.D.P. ’68
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Young Readers Offer Poetic Answers to the Question: What Does It Mean to Be Me?

In response to the call for entries for Moreover’s first-ever Little Saints Poetry Contest, young readers offered very poignant and descriptive answers to the contest prompt, “What Does It Mean to Be Me?” The winners were:

**FIRST PLACE**

**What Does It Mean To Be Me?**

BY GRACE LEMERSAL

There are so many answers to one special question
“What does it mean to be me?”
Close your eyes, think for a while,
and one special answer is what you’ll see.

To be me is like discovering a secret cave
behind a waterfall.
To be me is like flying above the clouds
where I can see it all.

To be me is like sliding down a rainbow
into a pot of gold.
To be me is like swimming in chocolate.
Boy, this never gets old!
I’m adventure, I’m friendship, I’m happiness,
and so many other things.
I’m not like anyone else,
and that’s what it means to be me.

Grace Lemersal is 10 years old. She lives with
her parents, older brother Ian, younger brother
Henry, and her pet hamster Muffin in San
Diego, Ca. Her uncle, Steve Megerle is a 1979
graduate of Thomas More College. Writing
stories and poems are two of her favorite things
to do. One day Grace hopes to attend the Iowa
Writer’s Workshop, and eventually become a
published author.

**SECOND PLACE**

**What Does It Mean To Be Me?**

BY JANE RUDNICK

Being me is like climbing high,
Like on the wings of a butterfly,
Achieving a goal to reach success,
I know I can always do my best,
Always following what’s right,
You manage to stay up like a flying kite,
Being with my family and friends,
My confidence grows and never ends,
Knowing God is always there — you see,
It’s a great experience to be me.

Jane S. Rudnick is 15 years old. She lives in
Wilder, Ky., and attends Notre Dame Academy.
She is the daughter of TMC Associate Business
Professor Jack Rudnick, Jr.

Visit thomasmore.edu/MORE to read more
submissions to the “What Does It Mean to Be Me?”
Poetry Contest.

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TMC Launches Bachelor of Business Administration in Health Care Management

**SUBMITTED BY DR. JACK RUDNICK, JR., F.A.C.H.E.**

Explosive growth in the health care industry resulting from advancements in research and technology, as well as anticipated needs in response to demographic projections, are dramatically affecting the global health care landscape, increasing the need for well-trained clinical professionals and mission-oriented leaders in the industry. Management students in the process of completing their academic training and graduates launching new careers provide the basis for this leadership and are vital for the organizations and service support needed in the future.

Recognizing this need, Thomas More College recently launched its new bachelor of business administration (BBA) in health care management (HCM).

The BBA in HCM program blends academic theory with the multidisciplinary principles, policies and practices that support the dynamic health services industry. The undergraduate degree program is designed to prepare students for further graduate study or a variety of entry- and mid-level career and leadership opportunities in the global and dynamic health services arena. This program is also designed to prepare students for opportunities that address the needs and demands involved in the operation of health services in a variety of settings.

For more information about this new program, visit thomasmore.edu.

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“Capture the Moment” Alumni Photography Contest

There are moments-in-the-making all around us, whether it’s the joy of watching a toddler take his first steps, a family celebrating a birthday or a midnight kiss on New Year’s Eve. Moreover is challenging its alumni to share some of those moments in its first ever “Capture the Moment” Alumni Photography Contest. Participants are asked to describe the “moment” in 150 words or less and submit their image by January 31. The winner will be featured in the next issue of Moreover, and honorable mentions will be showcased on thomasmore.edu/MORE. Judging will be conducted by TMC’s art faculty and the editor of Moreover. High resolution (300 dpi) digital images are preferred, but 5 X 7 prints will also be accepted. The contest is open to all alumni of Thomas More College. Send entries to:

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Deadline: Monday, January 31, 2011
Thomas More College extends its charitable reach to help Louisville's Extreme Makeover: Home Edition Family

This fall, Thomas More College helped play a part in making a Louisville family's dream come true. Extreme Makeover: Home Edition, led by Ty Pennington, not only unveiled a new home for the Lampe family of eight on October 28, but it also unveiled the promise by Thomas More College to provide educational opportunities for Jeff and Shelley Lampe's six children.

Sister Margaret Stallmeyer described the experience, “The show reached out to us because of the family's commitment to St. Xavier High School in Louisville, and they were aware of their focus on Catholic education. After learning more about the Lampe's and their determination to succeed despite the odds, we decided to offer them tuition waivers if the children choose to attend Thomas More to further their education.”

Vice President for Student Services Matthew Webster, Director of Communications and PR Stacy Smith Rogers and Admissions Director Billy Sarge were on hand to meet directly with the family in Louisville at a press conference the following day. “The Lampe's are certainly a deserving family. We're proud to have played a part in helping ease their burden of sending their children to school. This was a great opportunity to demonstrate the College's commitment to service and to create a greater awareness of Thomas More in the Louisville community,” Webster said.

To learn more about the Lampe family, visit eliteextremedream2010.com.

Creative Campus Expressions

Thomas More's campus was filled with graffiti this fall. But instead of calling security, the English department offered formal invitations to faculty, staff and students to read the writing on the wall — literally. Students adorned the campus with various poetic quotes and snippets of inspirational prose.
Last spring, Assistant Professor Bartley Richardson proposed the creation of a TMC app for the iPhone to his mobile development class. Senior Joseph Langley jumped at the chance and by May he presented it as his senior project. According to Dr. Richardson, this first version of the app has the ability to pinpoint your location on campus (complete with labels of the buildings/areas and descriptions/photos of each). “We took new high-resolution pictures of all of the locations to use in the app. It also integrates with TMC email (Groupwise), and users can view the TMC calendar, search the College directory and submit help tickets directly to the IT department,” he explained.

The TMC app is offered for free through iTunes.

Going Green at TMC

Sustainability initiatives and recycling efforts are continuing to gain momentum at Thomas More College. In addition to the efforts already put forth by the College, such as recycling equipment, dispensing paints, chemicals and food service grease and using energy efficient light bulbs, a recent student-supported effort provides visible reminders to the TMC community of the importance of recycling.

The Student Government Association (SGA) recently purchased blue recycling bins that are located in various areas around campus. With SGA’s new bins, TMC has been able to expand its recycling program to include plastic bottles, aluminum cans, glass bottles and jars and steel food cans. In addition, Aramark is unrolling new products that make “take out” from Seiler Commons more sustainable as well, through the use of new renewable to-go boxes.

International Delegates Visit TMC Campus to Discuss Civic Engagement

Sister Margaret Stallmeyer, president of Thomas More College, welcomed a U. S. State Department-sponsored visit of international delegates on Nov. 2. The delegates, all working in the area of youth civic engagement, were able to speak with students and faculty. The delegation was (from left to right) composed of Comfort Mussa (Cameroon), Robert Kilama (Uganda), President Stallmeyer, Josoah Monja (Republic of Madagascar), Hans Peter Joergen Poulson (Greenland), Szilvia Kocsy (Hungary) and Robert Means, representing the U. S. State Department.

A number of TMC students spent the better part of two hours discussing their experiences as civically engaged students, including Winter Okoth (Kenya), Monieka Steele (Jamaica) and Marylucy Nchomama (Kenya).

Visit to Ronald McDonald House Offers FYS Class an Opportunity to Experience the Impact of Giving

Associate Professor Mary Jo Nead challenged her First Year Seminar (FYS) class to do a case study on the Ronald McDonald House in Cincinnati and the recent national publicity that resulted from a simple act of kindness by a five-year-old boy. The class took the challenge seriously, and decided to visit the facility themselves, where they prepared a complete meal and packed 50 snack bags for families. Freshman Jill Ruhe shared her version of the experience and how giving can make a big impact. “They (the students) held their heads up high knowing they had made a difference as well as feeling a sense of accomplishment.” To read Jill’s full recap of the experience, visit thomasmore.edu/MORE.
**Biology Field Station Hosts Congressman Davis**
Congressman Geoff Davis spoke with students Josh Wyatt and Kimberly Scheper Wyatt during his tour of Thomas More College's Biology Field Station in August. Congressman Davis learned of the exciting new projects and the regional impact of the research being conducted there, as well as its partnership with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and how the facility serves as a valuable resource for other colleges. Ongoing research at the Field Station includes the long-term assessment of the Ohio River’s water quality, an early warning detection system that monitors daily conditions of the river, a conservation project to protect freshwater mussels and a partnership with Marshall University to combat the invasion of Asian carp, which threatens the ecosystem of the Ohio River and other fresh waterways.

**MBA Students Make Presentations to Clients**
Under the direction of Dr. Kathy Dye, MBA students made formal presentations to their “clients” in October. According to Dr. Dye, the capstone class was a great example of how service learning is incorporated on many levels at TMC. “The students really embraced the opportunity to provide a valuable service to these deserving organizations. They pulled together everything they’ve learned through the program and combined that with the enthusiasm for using their wisdom and talent to serve someone else,” she said.

One non-profit that benefitted was the Brighton Center. Justin McClure gave an in-depth presentation on how the Brighton Center’s clothing store could improve its marketing, outreach and physical display for items. Classmates Josh Stutzman, Ai Borchelt, Danielle Craig and Chris Lombardi (not pictured) fielded questions from Brighton Center representatives who are currently implementing the students’ suggestions.

**7th Annual RunMORE Expands Charitable Reach**
The 7th Annual RunMORE was held Sept. 11, 2010. The event benefits the Thomas More College Service Learning Program which helps make course knowledge more relevant to everyday life while fostering an ethic of service and civil responsibility in students. This year, RunMORE partnered with Team Rise, which helps raise awareness and funds for the Phoenix Society for burn survivors.

**See What Else Our Students Have Been Up To…**
Read more about what TMC students are achieving and experiencing at thomasmore.edu/MORE.
Giving Back

THE IMPACT OF ANNUAL GIVING AT THOMAS MORE COLLEGE
A Message from TMC Director of Annual Giving Beth Maley ’00, ’02

This fall, alumni received a letter in the mail from Sr. Margarett Stallmeyer, president of Thomas More College, asking “What kind of impact can alumni make?”

As director of annual giving, I can tell you that your gift, no matter how small or large, can make a big impact. One important impact is increasing our alumni giving rate. The alumni giving rate is an indicator of alumni satisfaction with their alma mater. That rate is taken into account in many cases when the College applies for grants and is considered by select associations and publications for rankings, such as U.S. News & World Report’s Best Colleges.

Currently, our alumni giving rate averages around 20 percent. This year, the College is challenging alumni to increase that rate in order to better enable it to support the growing student population. With your participation in giving to the Annual Fund, Thomas More can work toward becoming a leader among its peers in alumni giving.

I have the privilege of speaking with a variety of donors, some of whom make significant contributions to the Annual Fund, and others who make modest donations. In both cases, I witness the enthusiasm and goodwill that accompany philanthropy. It’s my experience that even donors who make small gifts receive big rewards through the simple act of giving. If you have always thought that you can’t make an impact because you can’t afford to make a large donation, I invite you to consider taking that first step by making a small gift and becoming a part of the movement to increase our alumni giving rate here at Thomas More.

In addition to our mailers, you can give through Moreover, which includes a convenient business reply envelope, or you can go online at thomasmore.edu/giving to make a secure online credit card donation. If you are interested in making an EFT (electronic funds transfer) gift, please contact our Office of Institutional Advancement at 859-344-3344 or advancement@thomasmore.edu.

To find out more about the options available to donors, contact Cathy Silvers at 859-344-3344 or go online at thomasmore.edu/giving.

“Why I Give to TMC

I graduated from Thomas More College quite a while ago, but I will honestly admit that I did not fully value my TMC education or experience until many years later. Quite frankly, I took for granted that everyone had similar opportunities and experiences. As I pursued my career and raised a family, I was continually reminded of the tremendous education I received from TMC, an education that allowed me to compete well at the University of Kentucky as I pursued a legal degree, and later as I pursued a career in a very competitive legal world. But more importantly, I found myself falling back on the Christian principles and values that TMC nurtured within me. I frequently think of things I learned in a class, or something a professor said that helped frame a decision in a correct Christian value context.

I believe that the primary purpose of our Diocesan school system is to both provide our youth the best educational opportunities available and to sustain Christian values in our community and the world through the students that it impacts … and Thomas More College does this. TMC will provide our community its future leaders. It is the crown jewel of a Diocesan school system that offers an outstanding continuum of Christian education from kindergarten through graduate and post-graduate studies. TMC is our college. That is why I support it and encourage others in the community to do the same.”

– James A. Dressman III ’74

Dressman Benzinger LaVelle, PSC
PLANNED GIVING:

Legacy Society Offers More Giving Options for Donors

The Office of Institutional Advancement for Thomas More College recently announced the addition of Timothy Rawe as planned giving coordinator, a newly created position centered on the design and execution of a program that captures philanthropic support through planned gifts to the College. (These gifts primarily meet the endowment and capital needs of Thomas More College.)

Tim came to Thomas More in June with a wealth of experience in finance and management, most recently as president of Fifth Third Bank (Northern Kentucky), from which he retired in 2008. In addition, he has served on numerous committees and boards of directors throughout Northern Kentucky, including Vision 2015.

By definition, “planned giving” is an opportunity for a donor to leave money or assets to a charity at the time of his/her death. It can also be used as an investment opportunity through which the donor receives benefits during his/her lifetime and then bequeaths the remaining funds to the charity.

Examples of planned gifts include:
- Bequest Through a Will
- Life Insurance Beneficiary Designations
- Retirement Plan Beneficiary Designation
- Charitable Gift Annuities
- Charitable Trusts
- Gifts of Appreciated Assets

As planned giving coordinator, Tim advises donors looking at options to consult with their legal and tax advisors. “I am happy to work with donors and their advisors to create a plan that benefits both the donors and their estates,” he said.

“In many cases, we aren’t aware of people who have already made the decision to include TMC in their wills. If donors have already established a planned gift and have named the College as a beneficiary, I invite them to let me know so I can officially enroll them into the Legacy Society of Thomas More College,” he said.

Legacy Society Benefits include:
- public recognition (with your permission)
- invitations to Legacy Society events
- tax savings for the donors and their estates
- the satisfaction of playing an integral role of supporting the future of Thomas More College

“The success of this endeavor will allow the College to sustain its core mission and support growth well into the future. Enrollment is simple. Just let us know if you have already included the College in your financial or estate plan,” he said. To notify Tim of your estate plan or to discuss a potential planned gift, please contact him at 859-344-3320 or timothy.rawe@thomasmore.edu.

New Chapel to Be Named ‘Mary, Seat of Wisdom’

Thomas More College’s new chapel will be named Mary, Seat of Wisdom. This name was chosen by Bishop Foys after consultation with Thomas More College students, faculty, staff and alumni. Nominations from this group were presented to Bishop Foys and the name was selected from the top entries. In choosing this name, Bishop Foys remarked that it honors the history of the College, originally named Villa Madonna, recognizes the three founding religious communities of women and calls upon Mary, the Mother of Jesus for that gift of wisdom we desire for each one of our students.

“To date, we have raised 80 percent of our goal. The architects are busy finalizing the plans, the stained glass windows are being designed and we are pressing forward to raise the remaining $800,000. All of this with the hope that we will be able to break ground on the Mary, Seat of Wisdom Chapel next spring,” commented President Sister Margaret Stallmeyer, C.D.P.
TMC Continues its Tradition of Service Learning Through Border Studies Program

Last spring break, Associate Professor James N. Camp continued the 10-year tradition of TMC’s Mexican-U.S. Border Studies program, which is designed to immerse students in a different culture and heighten their awareness, understanding and appreciation of social issues, their fellow human beings and the world’s diversity. Dr. Camp was accompanied by chaperone Guillermo Aguero-Retana and nine students who spent time at a variety of locations, including the Centro Santa Catalina in Ciudad Juarez (a women’s cooperative) and Annunciation House in El Paso, Texas.

Two important goals of the trip each year are immersion and service. According to Dr. Camp, the tradition of the Border Studies Program extends well beyond that of performing service and learning a language. It goes much deeper for students who participate, fostering a passion to work toward a future where they can make a difference. The Border Studies Program always includes first-time participants and a group of students who are going for the second time. First-timers begin their exploration in the classroom for eight weeks prior to the trip, studying the politics, environment, history, culture and economy of the borderlands. The week-long trip offers an opportunity to apply course materials to “real life” experiences. In addition, they participate in service work. The second-timers focus primarily on the service component of the experience. “In the last 10 years that we’ve done this program, we’ve had about 150 students participate. This program is a great opportunity for students who want to serve others and learn more about the world,” Dr. Camp said.

As part of the project, students journal experiences before, during and after the trip. The following are “before and after” excerpts from Christina Green’s Border Studies Program journal …

**Before the trip …**
“It hit me as I listened to the homily today that giving thanks for all my privileges should not be enough to make me content. I should use my talents to help those that are less privileged. But where is the time? With all the things I have to do, mostly because of the cultural pressures, where is the extra time to help others? I think that society needs to socialize the younger generations to give of themselves. Helping others has to begin somewhere.”

**After the trip …**
“This experience I am sure will stay with me forever. Every day, no matter what time, I randomly reflect on all that I have experienced. I cannot ever articulate all that the people in El Paso have taught me. I went down there thinking that I would have more of an effect on them than they would on me. I could not have been more wrong. Chucky and Brian will always be there in my mind to make me laugh. What I’ve learned will stick with me and affect decisions I will make. It has instilled in me a need to make a difference in someone else’s life, even if it is only one person.”

To read more excerpts from Christina’s and her fellow classmates’ Border Study journals, visit thomasmore.edu/MORE.

The next issue of Moreover will feature an article on the Jamaica Service Learning Project.
It’s no doubt that alumni who took a business class will remember Professors Rudolph Alexander (Rudy) Morow and Don A. Ostasiewski (better known as simply Don O.). Both were major contributors to the business programs throughout their successful careers at Thomas More. The memories of their incredible achievements as inspirational teachers and leaders are treasured by many.

Rudy Morow was hired by then President Rev. John Murphy at Villa Madonna College in 1956. His 37-year career included many accolades and accomplishments. In addition to his inspiring lessons in the classroom, Rudy also offered inspiration to hundreds of student athletes on the golf course. Legend has it that Fr. Murphy followed Rudy out to his car one day and noticed golf clubs in the trunk. He then exclaimed, “You are now the golf coach!” For the next 20 years, Rudy fulfilled that role. In fact, he was known for following all the sports teams and being a true fan of the athletic programs. In addition, he was very instrumental in the transition to the new campus in Crestview Hills, having served as chairman of the Faculty Building Committee in 1966. In 1991, Rudy retired as full-time professor, but continued to teach evening classes. In 1993, he was granted professor emeritus status and appointed to the Foundation of Thomas More College. In 2004, he was presented with the Lasting Influence Award.

Rudy kept an active interest in his students’ careers and often suggested to them, “find a career you like and humbly serve well.” Rudy certainly followed his own advice, making his mark at Thomas More College and with the students throughout his prestigious career. He passed away on November 12, 2009, but his memory lives on through the Morow Family Scholarship at Thomas More College.

Don O. was an associate professor of business and economics who focused primarily on strategic management and management of innovation and technology. He began his career at Thomas More College in 1967 after earning a Master of Arts in Economics at University of Cincinnati in 1965. Throughout his tenure at TMC, Don worked to make college education accessible to working adults. He was instrumental in founding TAP in 1992 and was an important link between the College and the business community. He served as director of the Thomas More Institute for Management Education and Services (T.I.M.E.S.), forming partnerships between TMC and Right Associates (Right Lecture Series) and Comair (Comair University). Recently, Don assumed the role of chair of the steering board of the Center for Health Care Science and Management, forming new partnerships with St. Elizabeth Hospital and other regional health care providers.

During his tenure at TMC, Don served the College in numerous roles including department chair, advisor to the vice president for academic affairs and a member of many committees, including the Benefits Committee.

In addition to his work at Thomas More, Don was an adjunct professor at Xavier University, The College of Mount St. Joseph and the Health/Planning Administration Program at the University of Cincinnati. He was also principal of Allan Associates, a planning and management consulting firm. He passed away October 7, 2010.

A photo from the 1972 yearbook (shown above, top left) features both Don O. (left) and Rudy Morow (second left) with their peers David Ashley, Edward Duggan and George Euskirchen. George, who is entering his 40th year as an economics professor at the College, described his experience working with both men through the years, “Rudy and Don played such critical roles in the transition of the College when it moved to the Crestview Hills campus. At the time, all three of us were part of the commerce division, which included both the business administration and economics departments. It was the largest department at the time. Other faculty members came and left, but we soldiered on together. I have always admired their commitment and perseverance. These are the guys who saw things through. They hung on to the commitment of teaching like bulldogs, and it was a pleasure and an honor to have been able to work alongside these incredibly talented men for so many years,” he commented. ✟
Thomas More College, along with presenting sponsor The Bank of Kentucky, honored William J. Zeck and Wilbert L. Ziegler at the 15th Annual Bishop William A. Hughes Awards Dinner in October. The Bishop William A. Hughes Award was established in 1996 to honor those who have made significant contributions to Catholic higher education. The award was named in honor of former Chancellor of the College and retired Bishop of the Diocese of Covington Bishop William A. Hughes.

Friends, family members and past recipients enjoyed dinner at the Drees Pavilion, where Jeanne-Marie Tapke, chairperson-elect of Thomas More College’s board of trustees, emceed the evening’s events and Sister Margaret Stallmeyer, C.D.P., presented the honorees with their awards. Monsignor J. Michael Due gave the invocation and Bishop Roger J. Foys offered closing remarks and the benediction. Matthew J. Zeck introduced his father, Bill Zeck, and Matth. Toebben introduced Will Ziegler.

15th Annual Bishop Hughes Awards
Thomas More College is committed to community outreach and service learning so that students develop a sense for giving back to the community. One way this is done is through our participation with the BEST Program, Business Education Success Teams, a community outreach initiative operated through the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce. BEST Program Schools with which Thomas More College is aligned include: Latonia Elementary, Covington Independent Schools; R.C. Hinsdale Elementary School, Kenton County School District; and Holy Trinity Elementary, Covington Diocese.

Each partnership is unique and offers a special opportunity to reach students in ways that best fit their individual needs. Each plan is tailored to the school’s comprehensive school improvement plan, and each plan includes a goal targeted to lifelong learning and thinking about a career path. To support this goal, Thomas More College invites each of its partner schools to visit campus and experience the college environment.

In September, 60 fourth-graders and their teachers attended chemistry and biology classes at Thomas More College. The chemistry lab experiments were led by Drs. Bill Wetzel, Dan Esterline and Tyler Green. Dr. Chris Lorentz led a “fish frenzy” demonstration, and overheard one of the students proclaim as he left the class, “I’m definitely coming to Thomas More when I go to college!” Dean Brad Bielski challenged students to make college a personal goal.

Recently, MAT candidate Laura Morgan Miller, who has a degree in art, volunteered for a six-week commitment of teaching after school art classes at Latonia Elementary. The culminating performance included an “art gallery opening.” Most impressive was the students’ ability to describe their works as visitors walked through the gallery in the school’s gymnasium.

Additional upcoming events invite the children to demonstrate their talents as well as learn about the importance of service. Holy Trinity Elementary is scheduled to participate in Dr. Barb Zahler’s children’s literature class and chemistry lab with Dr. Green. Under the direction of Dr. Ray Hebert, R.C. Hinsdale’s students who are identified as gifted in science and math, will visit campus in December. Another initiative for R.C. Hinsdale is the One to One Reading Program for younger students who are struggling with reading. Trained instructors from Thomas More College will offer tutoring for identified students on a weekly basis for 16 weeks.

To read Dr. Hamburg’s complete submission and more about Thomas More College’s B.E.S.T. partnerships, visit thomasmore.edu/MORE.
Arizona-based artist Barbara Seibel credits her liberal arts education for fostering her creativity and helping her make good decisions along her life journey since graduating from Villa Madonna College (VMC, now known as Thomas More College) in 1966.

By viewing her artwork, it’s easy to imagine her as a wide-eyed, eager college student embracing her curious nature and enthusiasm for making her mark in the world. Although Barbara’s art studio in Hot Springs Village, Az., is a long hike back to her hometown of Fort Thomas, Ky., she often returns to the roots she planted at VMC and Northern Kentucky, if not in body, then by creative spirit.

At an early age she developed a love of art, and by the time she turned eight she was studying under noted Cincinnati artist A.F. McCarthy. (McCarthy had been a protégé of Frank Duveneck, one of the 19th-century American realists.) Barbara remained his student for 10 years, developing a fascination for realism and improving her artistic skills.

Eventually, she received a four-year academic scholarship to VMC and decided to make art her field of concentration. “It didn’t take long, though, to realize that literature was becoming more and more important to me. I decided to get my undergraduate degree in English, and then pursue a master’s degree in education,” she explained.

She elaborated on the value of her education. “I can’t describe how proud I was to graduate from VMC. Before we could graduate we had to undergo comprehensive exams — testing of four years’ worth of material in our field. I still remember one question that I had four hours to answer: ‘Discuss English literature without using chronology.’ It was grueling, and we all feared these exams, but in the end I felt like I really knew my field of study,” Barbara recalled.

Barbara married husband Dave shortly after graduation. (They have two children, Kevin and Chris, and three grandchildren, Justine, Anne and Peter.) Dave graduated from West Point, and his first tour of duty was in Darmstadt, Germany. We’ve lived in many places, and I’ve accumulated photos and images of all the places I’ve seen. Eventually, they turn into paintings,” she said.

While Barbara’s original plans included teaching English at the college level, her career path took a few unexpected turns. “Life takes us in different directions at times, and while passion and goal-setting are very important, sometimes opportunities present themselves that take us in an entirely different direction, and we develop skills we never knew we had,” she said.

“One of the life lessons I learned was that you have to put in the time and effort to get what you want…and you can get what you want if you do that. I also learned that other courses we were required to take as part of our liberal arts education served me well in later years,” she said.

While at VMC, Barbara didn’t have much spare time. She worked three jobs simultaneously — at a drug store, billing outpatient insurance for the emergency room at St. Elizabeth’s Hospital and teaching English at a foreign language school. She did, however, find time to participate in chorus, theatre and student government. “Working while attending school kept me with one foot in the real world. My experience as a student will always be part of my decision-making process. A deep love of learning and curiosity was nurtured at VMC, and I carry it with me even today.”

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Barbara referenced her later career with GTE (now Verizon) and her love of research and developing new products that prompted her to add to the knowledge base she formed...
at VMC by obtaining an MBA in marketing from the University of Dallas. She proceeded to work in new product development, strategic planning, new technologies and new services for intranet services at GTE.

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Barbara said her passion for teaching has never waned, and she’s been able to incorporate teaching in almost every aspect of her business and personal life, whether it’s helping teachers learn how to use the newspaper in their classrooms, opening her own art school for children, giving seminars to salespeople on how to sell newly-developed products or, most recently, conducting watercolor classes.

“Over the years, I’ve painted in my leisure. When my husband retired, I decided to devote more of my time to art. It has become my passion once again — kind of a full circle thing,” she elaborated.

Her curiosity that was originally fostered in college now plays a big role in her life as an artist. “What inspires me now is the geometry, beauty and drama that surrounds me,” she described.

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A few years back, Barbara and some of her artist friends began painting one day a week together. “We decided on Mondays. One of us had a large studio, and that has become our ‘Monday Studio.’ We’ve been painting together for several years now,” she explained.


Today, Barbara is still wide-eyed and curious, eager to embrace life much like she did as a freshman at Villa Madonna College, with an enthusiasm for exploring and translating her passion for others to enjoy and learn from, and an anticipation of what new experiences her life journey will offer.

For more information about Barbara and her gallery, visit barbaraseibel.com or gallery726.com.
Alumni Profiles

TMC Alumni who didn’t look far to find their calling:

Jim Schuttemeyer ’76, History; English — Associate Professor, English
As chair of the English department at TMC, Professor Jim Schuttemeyer ’76 strives to help maintain viable major programs, and to “spread the enthusiasm for studying and creating interesting and beautiful art objects made of words.” He considers teaching his “real” job and works hard to “light the fire of enthusiasm for deep reading and interest in other times and cultures.”

When asked what prompted him to make Thomas More the college of his choice as an undergrad, Jim referenced the “Venture Program,” a freshman program that included a challenging and free-thinking course that piqued his interest. “You essentially designed your own core and did a thesis-like paper related to the coursework you selected. Looking back on it now from an administrative perspective, I imagine it must have been something of a logistics nightmare for the faculty. But I liked it a lot as a student,” he recalled. He also noted the serene Ivy League-type atmosphere and beautiful scenery of TMC as another selling point.

Jim’s commitment to education began long before he decided to be a professor. He was a pretty serious student, but he notes that “a lesson I may have taken from my TMC experience, though I probably wasn’t conscious of it at the time, was to enjoy studying in almost total obliviousness in regard to anxieties about career or future.” Jim said his decisions about major selections really weren’t angst-ridden. “An English course with Professor Joe Connelly, with a fancy title like ‘Search for God, Literary Expression and the Spirit,’ introduced me to Dante, Sam Beckett, Dostoevsky and Joyce Cary’s The Horse’s Mouth, and I was hooked.”

His decision to double major in history also came naturally, “I remember a professor, Frank Bremer, who taught some early American history courses, and while that era is not normally attractive to most sane humans, I found it interesting. He was also unbelievably detailed and scholarly. I took some of his upper level courses early on and got hooked again.”

Jim is quick to say that he’s been able to successfully avoid the “real world” since graduate school (he holds a master’s degree in English from the University of Kentucky), however he held many jobs that gave him real life experiences prior to graduate study, including grocery clerk, bowling alley gopher, restaurant bus boy, grave digger and a stint on the Southern Railroad as a summer vacation fill-in, where he worked all shifts as weed chopper, painter and eventually, as provider of fuel and sand for diesel train engines. He described his railroad days, “It was wonderful, though very physical labor, because I earned enough money to pay tuition and still have some savings, and I developed the ability from my fellow workers to…how should I put it…speak with extremely colorful language.”

When asked where he’s originally from, Jim simply described his home as, “Earth, a watery wandering rock.” His wife, Meiyun (Maggie), is originally from Taiwan, and taught English there for about 10 years. His daughter, Sabrina, is nine years old, and is currently in Taiwan where she’s learning to read and write Mandarin. Jim’s favorite breed of dogs is shelties for their ability to teach humans about the joys of herding and chewing, friendliness for its own sake, great lessons about illness, caring for the aged and the reality of death.

Jim said people may be surprised to know that he’s deeply romantic and loves any film with Juliet Binoche. He believes that all Americans should be required to take a basic Linguistics course, and that a qualification to be president would be having read 20-plus books per year.

Megan Kremer ’07, History, International Studies and AA, Political Science — Admissions Counselor
Megan Kremer ’07 is an admissions counselor who was originally drawn to Thomas More College because of the close-knit community atmosphere. Now the Alexandria, Ky., native openly promotes that atmosphere to prospective students in Greater Cincinnati and beyond. As a graduate of Thomas More College, she can easily communicate the benefits of going to a school where professors know students by name. Megan knows a thing or two about that — she was a double major in history and international studies and minored in political science.
“I fell in love with the community that TMC created on campus. It was amazing to me how well all the students got along with each other and their professors. Also, the financial aid opportunities truly allowed me to take advantage of all the great things Thomas More had to offer,” she explained. Megan’s first year after graduating in 2007 was spent working for Congressman Geoff Davis. “It was quite possibly the best first job I could have had after graduating, as it gave me a wealth of career experience in a short amount of time,” she elaborated.

Megan cites one of the more valuable life lessons she learned at TMC was to look outside her comfort zone. “The value I have gained from being a student here is immeasurable. As a student, I was able to participate in studying abroad in Ireland, building houses for Habitat for Humanity and working with amazing communities through the Jamaica Service Learning Project. If I never would have stepped outside of my comfort zone, I never would have had so many great experiences that have added so much value to my life,” Megan said, reinforcing that her time as a student here gave her the self-confidence and self-awareness that continually help her make good decisions as she continues along her career journey.

Megan’s favorite aspect of her job is meeting with prospective students both in the office and on the road. “It is so fulfilling to help students throughout the entire college admissions process. The opportunity to work here has given me the chance to share with prospective students my own Thomas More experience and help them find the perfect college fit,” she said.

Megan enjoys spending time with her family (her sister, Stefanie, is also a TMC grad) and is a huge fan of traveling, cheering on Cincinnati professional sports teams and playing Scrabble. Behind Megan’s professional personality is that of an up-and-coming baker. “I spend too much time trying out new recipes and attempting to decorate cakes and cupcakes,” she added.

Debbie Rapier ’03 MBA — Controller
When Debbie Rapier ’03 made the decision to go back to school, she had already been working at Thomas More College for 17 years. With a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Northern Kentucky University and her certificate of public accountancy, Debbie originally was drawn to working at Thomas More because of its convenient location, the challenging position and the fact that she could work part-time, which was a big factor in raising her family. (She had previously resigned from a full-time job at Square D.) As her children grew, so did Debbie’s career with Thomas More. One of her co-workers at the time had made the brave decision to pursue her MBA during her battle with cancer. “Tina (Barnes) was my motivation. I told her that if she was going to do it, that I would do it with her,” Debbie recalled. “Our MBA program here was more established than others in the area that I had considered and I really liked the accelerated format for the master’s program. TAP was a great fit for my lifestyle — I could go to school one night a week and still be a mom and help the kids with homework,” she explained.

Debbie described her experience as a student here at TMC as energizing, giving her a fresh perspective of having a job in a learning-based environment. “I was really able to fine-tune my time management skills and the experience offered me a renewed enthusiasm for representing the College,” she added.

As controller, Debbie is in charge of the day-to-day financial operations of the College. She says the variety of the work and the challenges that accompany it (such as balancing the budget and completing audits) keep her motivated as her job.

Debbie has called Northern Kentucky home all her life. “I’ve never moved more than 15 miles away from where I was born and raised,” she said. She has been married to husband Dan, who is chief financial officer and treasurer for Beechmont Ford and Lawrenceburg Chevrolet, for 29 years. They have two daughters, Michelle and Nicole, and a son, Craig.

Debbie is a self-proclaimed soccer mom and although her children are no longer competing on the field, she still enjoys spending sunny days watching her husband referee high school games and her daughter, Nicole, on the sidelines, coaching Notre Dame Academy’s team. When she’s not crunching numbers here at TMC, she also enjoys landscaping, traveling and digging into a good beach book. She also admits to (occasionally) indulging in a slice of cheesecake.

“When I first started working at Thomas More, never did I dream that I would be here 20 years later. But, it has been the right fit for me, and I’m glad that I have been able to experience Thomas More as both an employee as well as a student,” Debbie added. ✝
The Homecoming tradition was alive and well on TMC’s campus October 2 as more than 500 alumni and friends celebrated joyful reunions. The Homecoming tent offered activities for kids, a great spread of food – including an incredible cake (prepared by Darryl Woods ’95 of Cincyville Cheesecakes) honoring the 20th anniversary of Thomas More’s football program. Members of the 1990 football team were honored during the game. The band, 24/7, played throughout the afternoon, while Chef Philippe and his Aramark team kept everyone well-fed. More than 35 class years were represented.
Homecoming-goers enjoyed watching the Saints pull off yet another victory (42-3 against Thiel College) from the newly completed Griffin Plaza. The Bank of Kentucky football field was certainly the center of attention, while the tune of “When the Saints Go Marching In” played by the new TMC pep band added to the festive tone of the day, as did the blue paint-clad student section cheering from the stands. According to TMC Alumni Director Monica Ginney ’93, this year’s event offered something for everyone. “It was truly a good time and alumni from all ages seemed to really enjoy it. We’re already planning for next year,” she said.

Mark your calendars for next year’s Homecoming Weekend to be held October 8 & 9, 2011.
It’s never too late to start a giving tradition to the Annual Fund at Thomas More College. The Annual Fund supports one of the College’s most critical needs — student scholarships. Thomas More’s competitive scholarship offerings help attract, retain and graduate first-rate students.

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Mary E. Andrews (Unberg) • Edward C. Arkenau, Jr. • Arthur B. Baute • Judith Ann Bennett • Rose Marie Bitsoff (Felshue) • Janis Ruth Broering (Kemphaus) • Mary W. Brunerling • Bernard G. Buerger • Julia Burwinkel (McCarthy) • Janet Calme (Pigozzo) • James J. Cunningham • Thomas R. Dietz • Douglas L. Droge • James A. Dusing • Charles Faust • Patrick J. Feldman • Barry E. Frank • Mary Kay Gibson (Moellerling) • Paul A. Gibson • Lorraine Giglia (Kuhni) • Cynthia A. Griele (Lynch) • Marilyn Hoffmann (Fangman) • John T. Kearney • Michael W. Kehoe • Mary Jane Kleimeier (Birkmeyer) • James E. Klus • Roger A. Kuchle • Bernard A. Kues • Leonard Lipps • Lawrence E. McKenney • Bernard J. Mersmann • Ronald J. Meyer • Mary Ann Muething • Dr. Gary L. Neiheisel • Eileen O'Donnell-Lipps • E. Nicholas Frigge • Sheila A. Rabel (Wenning) • Barbara C. Raue • Kenneth L. Recker • Dr. Stephen J. Rettig • Joan M. Robinson (Wernersbach) • Sandra L. Ross • Janice Schmidt (Schirmann) • Lawrence Schneider • Robert T. Schneider • Dr. Robert A. Scott • John T. Smith • Philip J. Vaske • Dr. Thomas Von Lehman • James G. Woltermann • Helen R. Ziegelmeier (Rittinger)

1970 - 34.2%

Anonymous • Dr. Richard Patrick • Charles J. Biery • Celeste Broschmann • Carol Anne Burns (Willenborg) • Janet Marie Carley (Landwehr) • Mary Regina DeMoss (Fister) • Diane M. Donnermyer (Bacon) • Robert J. Due • Rita Hartman Eckstein • Paul A. Eilerman, Jr. • Susan E. Faigle (Woodruff) • Kathleen M. Fedders • Robert W. Fleck • Mary A. Frank (Faulhaber) • Dennis A. Geiger • Ella Gelhausen (Gallenstein) • Thomas P. Gelhausen • Karen Ann Guidugli (Green) • Michael A. Guidugli • William L. Hammon • Harry P. Hellings, Jr. • Kathryn A. Henry (Scheper) • Barbara Jennings (Neihiesel) • Ruth Ann Kemper (Brue) • Richard C. King • Paul L. Kleimeier • Donna K. Kloeene (Yockey) • Philip Carl Kloeene • Edward G. Kuhlman • Stephen C. Lamer • Matthew G. Madonna • Steve J. Magoesi • Dennis P. Marschner • Robert J.

1971 - 22.9%

Anonymous (2) • Kenneth E. Barlag • David J. Becker • Linda R. Bolan (Kramer) • Stephen J. Brewer • Dr. John V. Cimpich • Thomas E. Cook • Paul Davidsson • Sally Desmond • Dennis Dietz • Donald J. Dolan • Josep Donnermyer • D. Cameron Draper • Deborah A. Dutle (Victor) • Michael H. Dutle • Thomas J. Ernst • John C. Erdpling • Dr. Linda R. Finke (Callan) • Thomas J. Fricke • Dr. Robert A. Hudepohl, Jr. • Michael C. Kleier • Franklin S. Kling, Jr. • Dr. Daniel Kuebbling • Mary Sue Laing (Schneider) • John J. Loechle • Anthony J. Luebbers • David Manning • Thomas A. Mattio • Dennis P. McEvoy • Gary J. Menne • Jo Ann Meyer • Peggy A. Meyer • Donna M. Nesser (Sack) • Jack J. Padgett • Daniel J. Pieschel • Eduardo O. Rabel • Kathleen R. Resnick (Rettig) • Thomas E. Saalfeld • James E. Sander • Donna R. Schneider (Laws) • Paul L. Schneider • Owen W. Seyer • Dr. Patricia Sommersmark (Smith) • Dr. Richard G. Stevie • Nancy M. Stiefvater (Curtin) • Donald B. Thelen • Michael T. Toner • David A. Wegert • John N. Wenderfer • Sharon A. Wenderfer (Scheffer) • Carole J. Willen (Gronfeld) • Sharon Witte (Mertens) • Jerome L. Ziegelmeier

1972 - 26.0%

Evelyn A. Bardua (McCafferty) • Paul R. Bleemer • Kathleen Battilo Bowie • Sr. Rita Brink, O.S.B. • Antonietta Brueggenman • Victoria Hucker Cimpich • James S. Dorger, Jr. • Diane Eisele (Sauer) • Kathleen Esham (Neihiesel) • Melanie J. Flick (Otto) • M. Scott Flischel • Jennifer Ann Fox (Seitz) • John Gallenstein, Jr. • Nancy Gann (Ahlers) • Neal E. Gilday • Dr. Donna J. Goetz • Mark R. Goodwin • Denis G. Hamilton • Rosemarie Heideman (Boelen) • Juliana Hellebusch (Mattei) • Dr. Stephen J. Hellebusch • Karen C. Hermann (Capocia) • Paul L. Inderhees • Ruth C. Inderhees (Carroll) • Douglas T. Kennedy • Mark Bernard Kloecker • Stephen J. Lorenz • Mary Jo Mauck • James Charles May • Robert J. Mehlau • Dr. Donna M. Mertens • Mark A. Merz • Steven J. Meyer • Mark B. Millson • Barry W. Neltner • Thomas J. Nestherd • Ronald Nieporte • Paul A. O’Daniel • Dr. David A. Rakel • D. Bruce Ross • Elaine M. Rutterer (Schroeder) • Kathleen S. Saalfeld (Hoevel) • Lawrence J. Sandolf • Christine Schneider (Hinche) • Ronald F. Schneider • Sharon L. Seyer (German) • Regina M. Siegrist (Mattingly) • Richard O. Siegrist • Ronald S. Siemer • Carole A. Simon (Crowley) • Roger W. Sonderman • William F. Stauberg • William J. Stenger • Deacon and William R. Theis • Stephen J. Thissen • Lawrence Tiemeier • Constance H. Verst (Humphreys) • Sue Ann Vogt (Lott) • John Frederick Witte • Michael James Witte

1973 - 26.7%

Anthony F. Barnhorst • Robert A. Beck • Deborah Ann Bogenschutz • Paul Joseph Brinkman • Susan M. Bucher • Jack C. Crout • Dr. James D. Dahmann • Dennis M. Daugherty • Susan W. Daugherty (Widmyer) • Anthony G. Denapenbrock • Mary Anita Dunn (Franzmann) • Albert J. Felderman • Dennis L. Geiger • Daniel Gilday • Mary Ann T. Greife (Tenfelde) • Kathleen Hammous (Maxfield) • John H. Harmeyer • Donald J. Hellmann • George W. Henry • Doris M. Hicks (Benzi) • David L. Hogan • Edward J. Jasper, Jr. • Cheryl Ann Johnson • John D. Johnson • Janet Ann Josten • Steven Craig Kemme • Thomas E. Kimman • Maxine E. Klump • Robert W. Koch • William K. Kreeger • Margaret Ann Kurz (Babey) • Peter J. Kurz • Joseph M. Loechle • Jane Ann Lorenz (Staverman) • Mary M. Luebbers (Shelton) • Mary Ann Lucbukc • Theresa Hillenmeyer Matte • Wayne C. Maxwell • Thomas M. McCarthy • Karen M. McLaughlin • Deborah Meyer (Luehnmann) • William H. Mohr • Edward C. Monahan • Margaret J. Myatt (Metzger) • Kathleen Beechen Nadlreith • Martha A. Neltner (Koehl) • Carol A. Obert (Kroeger) • Patricia Elizabeth Odstasewski (Cole) • Patrick J. Raverty • Dr. Daniel E. Rutterer • George J. Schewe • John C. Schoborg • Cathy M. Schulte (Davoran) • Roger R. Schwartz • Gene M. Seibert • Kenneth C. Straub • Lawrence L. Taylor • Paul J. Thiel • Sandra D. Thompson (Doker) • Mary Ann Tietmeier (Klingenberg) • Audrey K. Wayland • Michael Widics • Mary Z. Willenborg • Larry Allen Wurtz • Harry Zeiser

1974 - 31.3%

Agnes Ann Brunner • Joseph W. Buchheit • Dr. Timothy N. Burke • Rosemary Weathers Burnham (Walls) • James P. Cahlil • James Clevito • Shirley J. Clark • Terrence C. Denapenbrock • Rosanne M. Doger (Macke) • Edward B. Dressman III • James A. Dressman III • Paula M. Effker (Grans) • Carleton W. Engellbert • Glenna F. Galbraith (Zimmerman) • Virginia Platt Gehres • Ria Carol Geiger (Koehler) • Karen L. George • Kenneth P. Gold • Dr. John J. Hater • Rick L. Hatton • Jan Samuel Hoffman • Dr. William B. Hoppenjans • Judith Rose Kinnan (Warken) • Janet N. Kinney • Michael C. Kneffin • David John Lewin • Michael Lee Listerman • Joyce Beck Lyman • Darryl A. Menning • Martha Middendorf Morrisey • Jack T. Nenni • Kathleen M. Nenni (Harmon) • Lawrence E. Osterhage • David M. Otte • Mary Allen Peake • James D. Radigan • Dale S. Recinella • Michael D. Riedel • Stephen M. Sandberg • William M. Sarge • Charles R. Scheper • Richard P. Sparr • John E. Stapleton, Jr. • Rika T. Stechen • John P. Steffen • Irene M. Sullivan • Linda J. Vollmar (Downing) • Sr. Cecilia Clare Werle, C.D.P. • Mary Ellen Whelan (McCafferty) • Marilyn J. Willenbrink • Charlene Ziembrowski • David B. Zimmerman
Volunteer Picnic Honors
Dedication of TMC Volunteers

Thomas More College honored its volunteers in August with a “picnic” in the Holbrook Student Center. Approximately 55 volunteers were recognized for their steadfast commitments to the College and their generous devotion of time and energy to Thomas More.
**Faculty Notes**

For more information and interesting faculty achievements, visit thomasmore.edu/MORE.

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**PRESENTATIONS & PUBLISHED WORKS**

Dr. Lawrence Boehm, professor of psychology, presented research entitled “The Relationship Between Family Structure, Materialism, Stress and Relationship Security in Young Adults” at the 82nd annual meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association in Chicago. The presentation was the result of a two-year investigation into the impact of divorce on the relationships and values of young adults.

Dr. John Cimprich ’71, professor of history and department chair, spoke on “The Federal Army and Slavery” at the Fort Mitchell Bicentennial Festival (the city’s namesake, Ormsby Mitchell, was a Civil War general).


**Dr. Jodie N. Mader ’98**, assistant professor of history, presented a paper at the Midwest Conference on British Studies in Cleveland October 8-9 entitled, “My African Friend or Foe? Perceptions of the Native Races by Supporters and Critics of the South African War, 1899-1902.” She also served as a commentator on a panel at the Southern Historical Association/European Studies Conference in November in Charlotte, N.C.

Assistant Professor of History Dr. James McNutt’s published works on German theologian Adolf Schlatter have been referenced and quoted in a major study recently published in Europe. In the book written by Anders Gerdmar, *Roots of Theological Anti-Semitism* (referred to as the definitive overview of anti-Judaism from the period of the Enlightenment to the mid-20th century), the author notes McNutt for his research on Schlatter scholarship in America, together with his contribution to exposing Schlatter’s negative view of the Jews on the eve of the Holocaust.

**Dr. Christina Petroze**, assistant professor of education, presented at the Kentucky Association of Teacher Educators (KATE) Annual Conference September 24, with a number of education department seniors who presented a summary of their professional development research projects based on highly effective teaching practices during their spring semester junior clinical experiences.

**Dr. Jack Rudnick, Jr.**, assistant professor of business administration, was featured in an article on the role of clergy in elder abuse response that appeared in the September publication of the National Council on Elder Abuse and Neglect (Volume 20, Issue 3). He also published the book, *Elder Abuse and Neglect: Strategies for Clergy Awareness, Knowledge, Prevention and Intervention*, Saarbruck, Germany: Lambert Academic Publication. Another of Dr. Rudnick’s articles appeared in the *Journal of Trauma Counseling International*, “Catalyzing counselor-clergy collaboration: Elder abuse and neglect” and is featured on George Washington School of Medicine’s Institute of Spirituality and Health’s website.

**Dr. Elizabeth Penn**, professor of education, chaired the Kentucky Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (KACTE) Dean’s and Chair’s Annual Retreat in Lexington, Ky. During the meeting, the participants discussed the new Common Core Standards and its implementation among the state’s educator preparation programs.

**Dr. Manish Sharma**, assistant professor of education and department chair, presented “Quick Ways to Integrate Web 2.0 Technologies in Teacher Education” at the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) annual conference in Denver, Co. Web 2.0 technologies are some of the fastest growing technologies that allow you to harness social networking and web-based or cloud computing.

This past June, Assistant Professors of Sociology Ellie Megerle and James Camp participated in Thomas More’s Jamaica Service Learning Project organized by **Associate Professor of Accountancy Thomas J. Gilday**. Faculty and students spent their time at Westhaven (a school for physically and mentally challenged children) and at the Ambassadors for Christ school where they taught classes and finished painting the kitchen area for the children.

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**Mark Your Calendars for the St. Thomas More Birthday Celebration**

**Feb. 4-13, 2011**

The festivities kick off with Freshman Year Seminar presentations on Friday, Feb. 4, the 27th Annual Lawyer’s Brunch on Sunday, a performance by the Northern Kentucky Brotherhood Singers on Monday, a military lecture series on Wednesday, a brown bag lunch discussion on elder abuse, a “Night of Irish Music” on the following Friday and the Caden Blincoe Outloud Festival on Feb. 13. For more information, visit thomasmore.edu.
Q: How long have you worked at TMC?
A: I started at TMC the fall of 1997.

Q: As a child, what did you want to be when you “grew up?”
A: I have always wanted to be a teacher. I have no doubt that teaching is the perfect career for me, and TMC provides a great working environment. I often say that as I commuted to OSU while completing my Ph.D. I would pray for a job close to home, but I didn’t expect for that to happen and for it to be a job that I treasure so dearly.

Q: Where did you obtain your degree/degrees?
A: I have a BS in Biology from Universidad de Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras campus, a Magistere in French Language from the Sorbonne, an MA in French Literature from the University of Cincinnati and a Ph.D. from The Ohio State University. My husband, Todd, also calls me the “executive director” of the household.

Q: What is something that you’ve always wanted to do, but haven’t had the chance to do yet?
A: I would like to visit Mount Rushmore, and maybe take the Sound of Music tour in Austria. I am a fan of the movie and I hear the tour is great fun.

Q: Where was your last vacation — and why did you choose that destination?
A: Puerto Rico, because it is the best place to visit. We have tried other vacation spots, but nothing beats going home to Puerto Rico. We went on vacation to a dude ranch in Montana, and that was pretty nice. We went to Cape Cod and Niagara Falls one year, also nice, but we all agree home is best.

Q: Who has been (or is) your role model, and why?
A: My parents are both deceased, but I would say that I look to their example for guidance when I feel confused. They were both college professors, and they always put education first; I try to emulate that particular quality.

Q: What are your hobbies — or what do you do when you’re not teaching at TMC?
A: I like to cook. I am not a creative cook, but I can read a recipe, and my favorites come from Food and Wine magazine. I make everything from scratch, and organic and local as much as possible. It takes time, but it is very rewarding. I like to exercise, lift weights and do some cardio and a bit of yoga. I also like to read and listen to books on tape.

Q: What has teaching at TMC taught you?
A: In a philosophical way, it teaches me that the world is a wonderful place. I get inspired by students who try their best, and by those who make great sacrifices to complete their studies; but mostly by those who are awed and exhilarated by learning.

Q: What do you want students to take away from your class?
A: I am very fortunate in that I truly enjoy what I do every day. I develop a personal relationship with my students, and I like to see them grow in wisdom and enjoy another language and culture. I want students to develop positive relationships and memories of learning Spanish at TMC.

Q: With what associations are you a member or are affiliated?
A: Locally, I am an active member of St. Agnes Church in Ft. Wright and volunteer at Covington Latin School and Covington Catholic High School and Clippers Swimming. Regionally, I sit on the board for the Hispanic Scholarship Fund and the board of the Kentucky World Language Association.

Q: What song or artist do you listen to when you need to get motivated?
A: It depends on the activity. I listen to Coldplay if I need to run fast, or to Barry Manilow when ironing (I also like to sip wine when ironing). BNL is best for a general pick-me-up. The Gypsy Kings and Rodrigo and Gabriela are great for cooking background music. My husband insists on Sunday Morning Baroque while drinking coffee and reading the paper. I listen from the front room. Regardless, I do enjoy different kinds of music at different times, but I always value the power of music to motivate or change moods.

Q: What book is on your nightstand? Or, do you have a favorite book?
A: The Little Prince has been, since childhood, one of my favorite books. As an adult, I mostly like to read non-fiction, The New York Times, and magazines. I also read the local paper. Michael Pollan is one of my favorite contemporary authors. Isabel Allende is one of my favorite authors if I am reading in Spanish. Right now, I have magazines on the to-read list: Yoga Journal (too Eastern), Nutrition Action (great), the Utne Reader (bought it on a weak moment while at the checkout line at Whole Foods) and Woman’s Health (OK, but too risqué at times).

Q: Are there any special awards or accolades that you want to mention?
A: I am most proud of being a wife and mother, then of my job here at Thomas More College.

Maria C. Garriga, Ph.D.
Professor of Spanish
“Christmas Eve at my parents — no matter the weather, no matter the circumstances, we always gather at their house to celebrate the most important gift... family. A few years ago my father suffered a severe heart attack and he was in need of bypass surgery. Guess who made it home for Christmas Eve... my father. It just means a whole lot to all of us to be together!”
— Chase Runyan ’04
(Chase won the HP Mini 110 Netbook, courtesy of Christopher Fischer ’95, president/CEO of Systems Insight, Inc. that was offered for the random drawing of submissions.)

“We, along with our children, living grandparents and other relatives have been going to Mass and then dinner on Christmas Eve for over 15 years. It is now part of a tradition and our kids look forward to it each year. It is now a new “old” family tradition.”
— Kevin Moser ’76

“Lunch at Skyline, going to see the trains at CG&E, then visiting the Krohn Conservatory at Christmas time.”
— John MacAulay ’61

“My favorite family tradition is spending some days around Thanksgiving with family that I don’t see very often. This is the least commercialized holiday and it focuses on the things that are really important in life – like love and gratitude.”
— Dr. Judith Bland ’68

“Going up north (to the outer Cleveland area) to visit family for Christmas or Thanksgiving. So many family members live in the area, so it’s essentially a yearly family reunion!”
— Michael Casteel ’10

“My favorite family tradition is Christmas Eve at my grandparents. My Grandpa had a stroke back when I was first born. Due to this, he cannot leave his house much, so we bring Christmas to him. We go over to their house after Mass and celebrate. It is not about the gifts, but the true meaning of Christmas — spending time with family and reliving stories of yesteryears — things you never know until...”

In the spirit of Thanksgiving and Christmas, many of us look forward to carrying out family traditions — both those we’ve grown up with and perhaps new ones in the making. In the summer issue of Moreover, readers were asked to submit their favorite family traditions. Here’s what a few of them had to share regarding traditions this time of year:
elders tell you. I remember those stories such as the time my grandpa jumped off the Ohio Bridge after his bowling ball. I remember these stories and the laughter shared more than the gifts. I say this now because my grandpa passed away recently, but this is a tradition that will live on.”
— Doug Reed ’09

“We always open one Christmas present on Christmas morning in the bedroom with everyone (including pets) piled up onto one bed.”
— Carrie Gifford ’09

“My favorite family tradition is Christmas Eve with my mom and dad and husband. We get together every Christmas Eve for dinner and then to open presents. It’s always a lot of fun and would honestly miss it if we didn’t do it.”
— Melinda Vogelpohl Brewer ’03

“Christmas Dinner is my favorite family tradition. Regardless of how many family members can attend, it is always fun.”
— Dr. Dan Schadler ’70

“$1 stocking stuffers instead of big gift exchange at Christmas! It’s more about the fun than anything!”
— Laureen Siegrist ’08

For many readers of Moreover, traditions aren’t limited to the holidays. They can be simple acts that are shared with others that mark occasions important for a variety of reasons.

“We all gather at my Grandpa’s fishing lake and have a grill out at least once every summer. We paddle-boat, kayak and swim all afternoon.”
— Jodi Duff ’05

“One of my favorite family traditions is what we call ‘GIRLS NITE IN.’ My Mom, my sisters, nieces and I take turns getting together at each other’s houses to play fighting solitaire.”
— Karen George ’74, ’88

“This ‘tradition’ is only one year old and already my favorite! Last fall, when my sister was dying from cancer, she made her seven children promise they would get the family together once a year — quite a task as they are widely scattered. They did so this year on the 4th of July and it was fantastic. Even a long-lost cousin not seen in over 30 years attended!”
— Dr. James D. Dahmann ’73

“The first nice Sunday in February the family takes a drive to Rabbit Hash General Store and then on to Big Bone State Park. This all began with me having a night class at TMC. My dad thought it would be a waste of gas to drive home between day and night classes, so I explored the neighborhood. It’s been 27 years without a miss. Sometimes the first nice Sunday isn’t until March or April. I have four sons between the ages of 22 and 18, and they all look forward to this annual excursion.”
— Rita Rebholz, ’81

“Haaserpalooza is the annual Haaser family reunion in Cleveland, Ohio. It was born from the realization that nearly 30 cousins can’t all make it to Cleveland for Christmas, so it was moved to August. We are short one matriarch this year, but we will remember how much joy this gathering brought her and will celebrate her life.”
— Eric Haaser ’99

“For the past 12 years, my family has joined together with all of my husband’s siblings (and their respective children) for a summer trip to the Outer Banks in North Carolina. Some years the headcount has reached 42 family members in one vacation home! It is always a fun-filled week of sun, surf, and family togetherness. This family loves God, and each other, and we relish the time together.”
— Elizabeth Rohrbaugh ’10

To see more traditions submitted by readers, visit thomasmore.edu/MORE.
Alumni News

TMC Alumni Calendar of Events

Join the Crowds!

If you haven’t been to an alumni event in a while, you’re in the minority! In the last three years, alumni attendance has increased by 92.2 percent! Alumni events are a great way to reconnect, network and socialize, so mark your calendars to join us in 2011 for these upcoming events:

March

TBA

Regional Alumni Gathering
in Louisville, Ky.

Galápagos Islands Trip with
John Ferner & Chris Lorentz

May 20-30, 2011
Join TMC Biology Professors John Ferner and Chris Lorentz on an 11-day trip exploration and cruise through the serene volcanic landscape of the Galápagos Archipelago. For more information, email john.ferner@thomasmore.edu or chris.lorentz@thomasmore.edu.

April

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3rd annual Alumni Wine Tasting
Steigerwald Hall

Biology and Psychology Majors:
Please Take the Online Surveys

TMC Biology alumni since 1990 — your help is being sought to assess the current curriculum of the Biology Department. Please access the online survey through Internet Explorer: http://surveys.thomasmore.edu/wsb.dll/1/TMCBiology.htm

Psychology alumni — The Psychology Department is seeking your input and feedback on an evaluation of the Psychology program at TMC. Please access the online survey through Internet Explorer: http://surveys.thomasmore.edu/wsb.dll/1/TMCPsychology.htm

May

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Commencement Weekend for VMC Class of 1961
TMC Campus

June

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TMC Alumni Night with the Florence Freedom
Alumni Day at Keeneland
Two buses of alumni and friends enjoyed the road trip to Keeneland and a fabulous fall day of thoroughbred racing on October 23, 2010.

For more photos of various alumni events, visit thomasmore.edu/MORE.
The TMC Alumni Association is requesting nominations for the next Alumni Association Awards to be held October 9, 2011 during Homecoming Weekend. These awards were established in order to honor outstanding alumni and community leaders whose talents and expertise have made a significant impact on Thomas More College and the Northern Kentucky/Cincinnati community.

Please check one box below to indicate the appropriate award category for your nominee. Please make additional copies of this form if you wish to submit more than one award nomination.

- **The Professional Achievement Award**  
  Awarded to an alumni whose career has reached a level of excellence in his or her respective field of endeavor, and is recognized as such by peers and other knowledgeable contacts.

- **The Citizenship Award**  
  Awarded to an alumni who has made a significant impact on the welfare of his or her community through service and leadership. Nominees should exhibit a strong commitment to integrity, concern for justice, and service to others for which our spiritual patron and namesake, Saint Thomas More, is so justly renowned.

- **The Thomas More College Service Award**  
  Awarded to an alumni or friend of Thomas More College who has provided continued service to the College. This award recognizes extraordinary service in terms of time, energy and expertise rather than financial support.

- **The Lasting Influence Award**  
  Awarded to a past or present faculty or staff member who has provided a positive and lasting impact on the lives of students. Nominees should be noted as a role model for life in society, and served as an influence in the career choice of the students they served.

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**Nominee’s Name:** ____________________________________________

**Occupation/Company:** _______________________________________

**Address:** ___________________________________________________

**Nominated By:** _____________________________________________

**Address:** __________________________________________________

**E-mail:** ____________________________________________________

Please provide a description of the candidate’s accomplishments on a separate page. Include any newspaper clippings, articles, or other publications that may be useful to the Selection Committee.

To nominate someone for an award, this completed form must be submitted including a description of the candidate’s accomplishments along with various supporting materials such as newspaper clippings, articles, or other publications. For further information, please call (859) 344-3346. Submissions may be mailed to below address, e-mailed to alumni@thomasmore.edu or completed online (http://www.thomasmore.edu/alumni/alumni_awards.cfm).

TMC Office of Alumni Relations  
333 Thomas More Parkway  
Crestview Hills, KY 41017

Submission Deadline: May 31, 2011
Hello, I’m a student at Thomas More and I’m calling you because …

Students from Thomas More will be on the phone lines (yes, ones that actually have real cords and are wired to the walls) calling YOU, our alumni, during the Annual Fund Phonathon in February. So, when you see “859-341-5800” on your caller ID, you can expect a brief conversation with one of our student volunteers who want to learn more about your experience as a TMC graduate. (They’ll also ask for a donation.)

Make a Donation Now — Save a Phone Call Later

Last year, 40 student callers contacted alumni to ask them about their own TMC experiences and professional advice as they graduate, as well as requesting support of the Annual Fund. They worked 748 hours, calling 4,612 households in 47 states. If you choose to donate before the Phonathon, that’s one less call our students will need to dial — and, one less phone call you’ll need to make time for in your busy day. So, please consider a donation today and save a phone call in February! To give online, visit thomasmore.edu/giving.

1950s

Justice Donald C. Wintersheimer ’53 had his digital collection at NKU Chase College of Law dedicated on September 7, which includes over 8,000 documents chronicling his work on the Court and offers an historical window into the social and economic issues facing Kentucky during the decades in which he served. He also published a new book, Secrets of the Kentucky Supreme Court: A Memoir, through which he seeks to clarify the sometimes mystifying work of the Court and highlight the important decisions that he participated in during his time on the Court and throughout his 31-year career.

Dr. Ron Mielech ’57 published his play, The Dancers of Canaan (Motes Books), in an anthology of plays produced at Horse Cave Theater (1995) in southwestern Kentucky. The drama with original Shaker music takes place at Pleasant Hill, Ky. during the Civil War.

1960s

Mary M. Hamilton ’62 has found a passion for marine conservation and ocean health (www.sandyhooksealife.org).

Charles H. Bogart ’65 recently published a book, Railroad, Trolley and Interurban Rail Lines of Frankfort, Ky. He also spoke to a current history class at TMC about the railroads.

Rev. Paul D. Huesing, C.S.P. ’66 is the newly appointed Director of Formation for the Paulist Seminary at St. Paul’s College in Washington, D.C.

Barbara Seibel ’66 self-published her own coffee table book with three members of the The Monday Studio. The group also opened their own art gallery, Gallery 726, in Hot Springs, Az. Barbara’s brother, Thomas Benke ’70, was on hand to celebrate his sister’s art.

1970s

Gary Schulte ’71 was inducted into the Northern Kentucky Sports Hall of Fame on October 20 in Villa Hills, Ky. He finished his basketball career at Thomas More College as the starting power forward.

Anthony G. Otte ’72 is working for the city of New Smyrna Beach, Fl., as the Community Redevelopment Agency Director. He also celebrated his 25th wedding anniversary with his wife, Joyce.

Justice Steven R. Jaeger ’74, husband of Connie (Snow) Jaeger ’73, retired in September 2010 after more than 23 years of judicial service for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. He is now a partner in The Jaeger Firm, PLLC, where he will practice law with his son, Steve D. Jaeger ’02. Steven also teaches at Beckfield College and Salmon P. Chase College of Law.

Thomas Depenbrock ’78 has been named Chief Operating Officer at Robbins, Inc., a Linwood-based sports flooring company located in Cincinnati, Ohio. He served as vice president, treasurer and chief financial officer at the company since 2008.

1980s

Jane (Weyer) Goetz ’83 has been employed as a Registered Nurse at University Hospital in many roles since graduating from TMC’s Nursing program. Her current position is Clinical Manager. She recently co-authored an article entitled, “One Institution’s Experience in Implementing Protocols for Glycemic Management” in the July/August 2010 issue of Dimensions of Critical Care Nursing.

1990s

Andy Folzenlogen ’95 and his wife, Heather, welcomed their daughter, Josephine Ann (Josie), in February 2010.

Dr. Rebecca (Wambaugh) Short ’95 has separated from the Air Force and joined Group Health Associates in Cincinnati, Ohio as a dermatologist.

Heidi (Zint) Schwarz ’96 and her husband, Ken, and their almost 18-year-old daughter, Haleigh, welcomed their long awaited baby, Hope Isabelle, in June 2010. Haleigh, a sophomore at TMC, is so excited to finally have a sibling and everyone is enjoying her!


Tava (Amann) Roberts ’97 was one of 24 statewide winners for the 2011 Ashland Inc. Teacher Award named by the Kentucky Department of Education. She is a 1st grade teacher at North Pointe Elementary School in Hebron, Ky.

2000s

Chris Dougherty ’00 and wife, Jodi, are proud parents of daughter Blake Annelies, born September 9, 2009.

Melanie Anderson ’01 finished her Ph.D. at the University of Mississippi where she has been hired as a faculty member. Her recent book, *The Beloved Paradise: Spectrality in the Novels of Toni Morrison*, is due to be published in 2011 by the University of Tennessee Press.

Steve D. Jaeger ’02 and his wife, Lindsey, welcomed the arrival of their first child, Lillian Charlotte, in May 2010. Steve recently founded The Jaeger Firm, PLLC (www.thejaegerfirm.com) located in Erlanger, Ky. Steve’s father, Steven R. Jaeger ’74, is also a partner in the firm.

Erin (Lupke) Layne ’02 and husband, Andy Layne ’02, recently moved to Marietta, Ga. with their two children, Rhett, 3 and Lily, 1. Andy is employed by Newell Rubbermaid.


Chris Xeil Lyons ’02 was hired by the LNE Group in July 2010 to run the organization’s Cincinnati/Dayton office assisting clients with public and private sector government affairs issues, grant applications and economic development initiatives.

Beth Cleves ’03 recently opened a new storefront greeting card and gift business in Bellevue, Ky.

Send Us Your Photos!

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Michael Salmons ’03 married Carrie Renee Podunavac in October 2010. He is also teaching at Raceland-Worthington Independent Schools in Raceland, Ky.

Tracey (Ritter) Elrod ’04 received her Master’s Degree in Library and Information Science from the University of Kentucky in May 2010. She is employed by Hilliard Collins Elementary in Florence, Ky. as the Library Specialist. Tracey and her husband, Matthew, married on August 1, 2010 and reside in Independence, Ky.

Jodi (Schroeder) Fritsch ’04 and Matt Fritsch ’03 welcomed a daughter, Brooke, on April 9, 2010.


Andrew Curran ’05 and wife, Liz, along with big sister Anna, welcomed their second daughter, Bridget Matheny Curran, on November 12, 2009. Andrew was
also appointed to the board of directors for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Joe Durrett ’05 and his wife, Emily, welcomed their first child, Maggie Lin, on June 4, 2010. The family resides in Edgewood, Ky.

Emily Fehrman ’05 married Joshua Cory on November 28, 2009 at Holy Angels Church in Dayton, Ohio. Emily is currently finishing her Ph.D. in Electro-Optics at the University of Dayton.

Brian Nolan ’05 is currently living in Des Moines, Iowa with his wife, Kristin, and two dogs, Hank and Daisy Mae. He recently became the assistant custodial manager of the residential halls at Iowa State University. He credits his Thomas More College education for all of his professional opportunities.

Lynn Thompson ’05 was named the latest Cincinnati Legend of Golf in August 2010. The organization honors local golfers for their outstanding playing records and strong community service.

Daniel Hartman ’06 is teaching Social Studies at Crown Point High School in Crown Point, Ind. and serves as the defensive coordinator for the school’s football team. He also stays busy planning his July 2011 wedding.

Garry Horton ’06 has recently accepted an assistant coaching position for Women’s Basketball at Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina.

Cassie W. Ruhman ’06 married Ryan P. Wyrick on May 1, 2010 in Maysville, Ky. at St. Patrick’s Church. The couple resides in Newport, Ky.

Zachary Cooke ’07 will marry Sommer Case ’07 on October 8, 2011. Sommer will complete her Master of Science in Community Counseling at Northern Kentucky University in December 2010 and Zachary completed his MBA at Thomas More College in July 2010.

Caleb Finch ’07 will marry Brittany Goetz ’10 on June 25, 2011.

Patrick R. Berndsen ’08 will be getting married on September 17, 2011.

Jonathan Mueller ’08 celebrated his first anniversary with wife, Michelle, this past summer. He was recently promoted to senior systems analyst and database administrator at Thomas More College in charge of maintaining the administrative database system.

Paul Fewell ’10 was promoted to business operations analyst for Insight Communications in June 2010.

Joseph Langley ’10 is engaged to Valeri Kuhn ’08. Their wedding will take place in June 2011. Joseph also created the iPhone/iPod application for Thomas More College called iTMC available on iTunes.

Christopher Rickels ’10 is pursuing his Master of Arts in Student Affairs in Higher Education–Administration with a certificate in Women’s Studies at Wright State University. He has graduate assistantships in Housing and Residence Life at Wilmington College (Wilmington, Ohio) and in the Office of Residence Services at Wright State University (Dayton, Ohio).


2010s

Grace (Vastine) Adick Conners ’34 passed away on September 20, 2010 in Edgewood, Ky.

Mary Louise (Ballard) Cooper ’49 passed away on September 16, 2010.


Adele (Broering) Grote ’52 passed away on July 24, 2010.


David John Kriege, Sr. ’60 passed away on July 17, 2010 at St. Elizabeth Hospice in Edgewood, Ky.

Dr. Louis A. Reibling ’62 of Northville, Mich., passed away on September 13, 2010 in Belleville, Ill.

Kathy (Koenig) Edwards ’63 passed away on October 29, 2010.

William L. Tiemeier ’70 passed away on September 21, 2010 at his home in New Smyrna Beach, Fl.

Audrey (Daugherty) Runda ’78 passed away on June 19, 2010.

Charles Reckley ’81 passed away from leukemia on January 29, 2010 at St. Elizabeth Healthcare in Ft. Thomas, Ky.

Richard Manahan ’84 passed away on August 16, 2010.

Robert Frohn ’87 passed away on October 16 at his home in Union, Ky. Robert played baseball for Thomas More College and was also an active member of the Alpha Delta Gamma (ADG) fraternity.

Jordan Logan ’09 of Ludlow, Ky., passed away on May 7, 2010 at St. Elizabeth Healthcare in Covington, Ky.

Laura Danielle Tibbs ’09 passed away on September 20, 2010 at her home in Independence, Ky.
The 10th Annual President’s Society Dinner was held September 16 at Summit Hills Country Club. The President’s Society includes individuals who have given a gift of $1,000 or more annually. Guests enjoyed comments from TMC Vice President for Institutional Advancement Cathy Silvers, President Margaret Stallmeyer, C.D.P., and Chair of TMC’s Board of Trustees Anthony G. Depenbrock ’73. To view more pictures of the event, as well as a “thank you” video, visit thomasmore.edu/MORE.

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Whether it was in the classroom or on the field (or court), TMC student athletes were determined to succeed in 2010. Numerous headlines in *The Kentucky Enquirer* and local television networks boasted the success of the Saints, and it seems the momentum is continuing into 2011. It’s no doubt that our student athletes are committed to the winning tradition at Thomas More College.

**TMC Continues Winning**

SUBMITTED BY CORY BLACKSON, TMC SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

**BASEBALL**

**Baseball Wins First PAC Title**

TMC’s baseball team posted a 33-16 overall record (which tied the school record for wins in a season) and won its first PAC Tournament title, advancing to the NCAA Division III Tournament for the third time in school history. The Saints went 2-2 at the NCAA’s Mideast Regional in Marietta, Ohio to finish as regional semifinalists.

After the season, the Saints received numerous accolades. Eight Saints were named All-PAC, while Paul Uhl was named Pitcher of the Year in the conference. Uhl was also named the American Baseball Coaches’ Association (ABCA) Mideast Region Co-Pitcher of the Year, ABCA First Team All-Mideast Region, ABCA/Rawlings All-American and second team All-American by the internet website, D3baseball.com. Chris Fishburn and Marty Kersting were also named to the All-Mideast Region teams. Fishburn was a first team selection and Kersting was a third team selection. The team also continued its academic success with a 3.0 team grade point average or higher for the 20th consecutive semester in the spring. Fishburn and Kersting were named ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

**Fishburn Earns NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship**

The NCAA announced this past summer that 2010 TMC graduate Chris Fishburn was named a recipient of a $7,500 NCAA Spring Postgraduate Scholarship. He is just one of 29 male scholar-athletes across all three NCAA Divisions to receive this honor. “Chris is an outstanding example of a true student-athlete as he balanced academics and athletics successfully to have an outstanding career at Thomas More on the baseball diamond and in the classroom,” said Athletic Director Terry Connor.

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“The award shouldn’t be going to a better student-athlete and person than Chris,” Head Baseball Coach Jeff Hetzer said. “Excelling in the classroom and on the baseball field is very important to the Thomas More baseball program and Chris is a good example to the underclassmen and future Saints to show how to excel in both arenas.”

Fishburn leaves Thomas More with three career records: hits (215); runs scored (162); and at-bats (603). Fishburn is also in the top-10 in two other categories as he is seventh in RBI with 129 and tied for eighth in doubles with 34.
**Tradition**

**SOFTBALL**

**Softball Repeats as PAC Champions**

The Saints’ softball team won its second straight PAC Tournament title and advanced to the NCAA Division III Tournament as it posted a 22-20 record.

Post-season, five Saints were named All-PAC. In addition, Brittany Wegman was named the PAC Player of the Year and Head Coach Lindsay Bramhall was named Coach of the Year. Wegman and Dana Bors were named All-Central Region by the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) after the season. One of the highlights of the season was Wegman setting the Thomas More career home run record in only her second season wearing the royal blue and white. She has 24 career long balls in just two seasons to crush the previous mark of 19 home runs held by Shannon Heekin.

**FOOTBALL**

**Saints Are Third Winningest Football Program in Division III**

The Saints are the third winningest team by win percentage according to the NCAA’s 2010 Division III Football Record Book released in August. Thomas More, which started football in 1990, has amassed a .678 win percentage entering 2010 by going 139-66 in 20 seasons.


Recently, the 2010 Saints team claimed their third PAC conference title and were consistently ranked in the top 10 Division III teams in the country. Look for more stories on the program’s success in the next issue of Moreover!
Saints Sidelines

**PAC CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**Men’s Soccer, Football and Volleyball Capture Repeat PAC Championships**

TMC fans had a lot to cheer about this fall with three of its fall sports capturing PAC championships. This was the second year in a row for both volleyball and men’s soccer and the third for football. Each team advanced to the NCAA tournament. More details about each sport, including PAC coach of the year awards and top-seeded women’s soccer, which lost the PAC title in a double overtime shootout against Westminster College, will be included in the next issue of *Moreover.* (Until then, visit thomasmore.edu/athletics.)

**BASKETBALL**

**Both Men’s and Women’s Basketball Teams Picked to Win PAC**

The Thomas More College men’s and women’s basketball teams were each picked to capture 2010-11 PAC championships in a pre-season poll released in November.

In the men’s poll, the Saints of second-year Head Coach Jeff Rogers received eight of 19 first-place votes. Thomas More was 21-7 and the PAC runner-up in 2009-10. “It’s a credit to our past and present players to be picked number one. We will embrace it and use it for motivation,” said Rogers. “The PAC is very tough this year and we will have to play hard every week and stay healthy to be successful this season.”

The women’s poll has the Saints of seventh-year Head Coach Brian Neal comfortably ahead of the rest of the league. Four-time defending PAC champion Thomas More, ranked 18th nationally by D3Hoops.com and 19th in the WBCA/ESPN/USA Today preseason D-III poll, received 17 of 20 first-place votes. “Preseason rankings are great publicity for our program and it’s nice to be thought of so highly by the PAC coaches and media representatives,” said Neal. “However, we know this season will be a tremendous challenge and hopefully we can live up to such lofty expectations.”
New Coaches at TMC
Thomas More College Director of Athletics Terry Connor ’92 announced two head coaching hires during the summer months. Ryan Meyer was named the new women’s tennis coach and Cory Blackson was named the new men’s golf coach.

Meyer came to Thomas More from the University of Cincinnati where he was a volunteer assistant coach for the Bearcats’ women’s tennis team for one season. Before Cincinnati, he was an assistant men’s and women’s tennis coach at Franklin College from 2007-2009. Meyer earned his undergraduate degree from Franklin College in 2008 and his masters’ degree from Concordia University in California. He played four years of tennis at Franklin and served as the team captain in 2007 and was conference champion in 2005. Coach Meyer is in his fourth year as a staff professional and director of stringing at Five Seasons Sports Club in Crestview Hills, Ky.

Blackson, who is entering his third year as the sports information director at the College, inherits a team that is coming off its best season in school history as it won the Presidents’ Athletic Conference (PAC) Championship and finished tied for 22nd at the NCAA Division III Championship. He served as the assistant men’s golf coach at Capital University while also serving as the Crusaders’ assistant sports information director.

Mark Your Calendar and Help Us Cheer on the Saints!

2010-2011 Thomas More Winter/Spring Home Athletic Events

December 11
1 p.m. Women’s Basketball vs. Westminster *
3 p.m. Men’s Basketball vs. Westminster *

December 16
7 p.m. Men’s Basketball vs. Capital

December 27
7 p.m. Men’s Basketball vs. Wilberforce

December 28
5 p.m. Men’s Basketball vs. Marian

December 30
5:30 p.m. Women’s Basketball vs. Centre

December 31
3 p.m. Men’s Basketball vs. Wilmington

January 5
5:30 p.m. Women’s Basketball vs. Washington & Jefferson *
7:30 p.m. Men’s Basketball vs. Washington & Jefferson *

January 12
5:30 p.m. Women’s Basketball vs. Bethany *
7:30 p.m. Men’s Basketball vs. Bethany *

January 25
5:30 p.m. Women’s Basketball vs. Chatham *

February 2
5:30 p.m. Women’s Basketball vs. Geneva
7:30 p.m. Men’s Basketball vs. Geneva

February 9
5:30 p.m. Women’s Basketball vs. Waynesburg *
7:30 p.m. Men’s Basketball vs. Waynesburg *

February 16
5:30 p.m. Women’s Basketball vs. Thiel *
7:30 p.m. Men’s Basketball vs. Thiel *

February 19
1 p.m. Women’s Basketball vs. Saint Vincent *
3 p.m. Men’s Basketball vs. Saint Vincent *

March 15
3 p.m. Baseball vs. Hanover

March 16
3 p.m. Baseball vs. Centre

March 19
1 p.m. Softball vs. Muskingum (DH)

March 21
3:30 p.m. Softball vs. Mount St. Joseph (DH)

March 30
3:30 p.m. Softball vs. Capital (DH)

*Denotes Presidents’ Athletic Conference contest

For more information on TMC athletics, visit thomasmore.edu/athletics.

LADY SAINTS

First Annual March with the Lady Saints

The First Annual March with the Lady Saints in October drew nearly 150 participants who raised money for the women’s athletic programs at TMC.
EVA G. FARRIS ART GALLERY
UPCOMING EXHIBITS

January 14 – February 5
Jennifer Barnett Hensel
Los Angeles based artist,
two-dimensional
mixed media, painting/
drawing/printmaking/
installation art

February 11 – March 12
Mallory Feltz
(New work and work from
MFA Thesis, following a
solo show at Carnegie)

March 18
Senior Show I

March 25
Senior Show II

April 8
Senior Show III

April 22
Student Show

Gallery Hours
Mon.-Thurs., 8 a.m. – 10 p.m.
Fri., 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Sat., 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Sun., 2 p.m. – 8 p.m.

10 Minute Spiritual Break …

TMC Director of Campus ministry Sr. Pat Dorobek, SND, recommends taking a 10-minute spiritual break every day.
“The Advent season opened Sunday, November 28. It’s a time of wonderful words: expectancy, longing, preparation and coming,” she said.

For your reflection, Sr. Pat recommends the following:
“Why has God made a home within my heart?”

Sr. Pat recalled this thoughtful poem for added inspiration:

I love Jesus, who said to us: Heaven and earth will pass away.
When heaven and earth have passed away, my word will remain.
What was your word, Jesus? Love? Affection? Forgiveness?
All your words were one word: Wakeup.
— Antonio Machado

Her Suggestion: Don’t know what to give to that someone who has everything? In his/her name, consider a microfinance loan (e.g., kiva.org) or an animal share from Heifer International.

Serve It Up This Season!

TMC’s very own Chef Philippe Audax and his Aramark culinary team are serving up comfort foods with a twist in Seiler Commons this season. Chef Philippe recommends a four-course French dinner that’s easy to prepare and sure to bring both warmth and flavor to any evening, whether it’s a cozy meal by the fire or a hearty celebration with friends and family during the holidays.

For starters, he offers a recipe for French Onion Soup, followed by Red Burgundy Coq Au Vin, Roasted Butternut Squash Salad and Pear Clafouti. You can find all those recipes at thomasmore.edu/MORE. Here’s a sampling:

French Onion Soup
Serves 8

5 sweet Vidalia onions
3 red onions
3 Tbs butter
2 Cups white wine
10 Oz canned beef consommé
10 Oz canned chicken broth
10 Oz unfiltered apple cider
Bouquet garni
1 loaf country style bread
Salt & pepper
Splash of Cognac
1 Cup grated Gruyere cheese

Peel and slice the onions into 1/4 inch slices. Sautéé and caramelize in butter to a nice brown color. Deglaze the pan with Cognac; add stock, cider and the bouquet garni, salt & pepper. Bring to a boil and reduce heat. Let simmer for an hour. Slice the bread and grill on both sides. When the soup is ready, ladle in a bowl, top it with the bread and sprinkle with cheese.
“The school has always been the most important means of transferring the wealth of tradition from one generation to the next.”

– Albert Einstein

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What was Your Favorite Place on Campus?

Students in English Professor Sherry Cook Stanforth’s class participated in an outdoor classroom in one of her favorite places on campus. What was your favorite spot at TMC? Wonder what it looks like now? Send your answer to moreover@thomasmore.edu. Our staff photographer will document one of the submitted “favorite places” in the next issue of Moreover.