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Dear Friends,

There is no more wonderful, nor more inspiring, time for me as president than graduation — when I have the privilege to personally congratulate each graduate and present him or her the diploma from Thomas More College. Throughout the year, I'm often moved by the sacrifices, hard work and determination of our students. At graduation, I witness their joy of accomplishment and their eagerness and anticipation for all that their future holds. What a sacred and awe-inspiring occasion!

This year, we honored the accomplishments of 376 individuals who will now go forth to take "their place in the world" as TMC alumni who are ready to make a difference in the lives of others. It is my hope as they move on to the next chapter of their lives, they stay connected to Thomas More College, so we can share in their future accomplishments and continue to serve as a resource for them in the years ahead.

As you will read in this issue of *Moreover*, our campus is blessed to be connected with an abundance of inspiring individuals, including Rosemary McNeeve and Bill Robinson, whom you will learn more about in the pages to follow. They exemplify the values of our College community — competency in their field of endeavor, a sense of responsibility toward their fellow human beings and a respect for all life.

Soon, we will break ground on our new chapel and will also begin new construction and significant renovations here on campus and at the Biology Field Station for our environmental science programs. Once again, our alumni, friends, foundations and corporations have generously stepped forward in support of our mission. Speaking personally and for the entire College community, I am so grateful for these partnerships, which are sure to provide our students and the community with additional resources and tools that will benefit the entire region for many years to come.

As we make plans to usher in a new academic year, I hope you will share in my enthusiasm and pride in being a part of this inspiring Thomas More community.

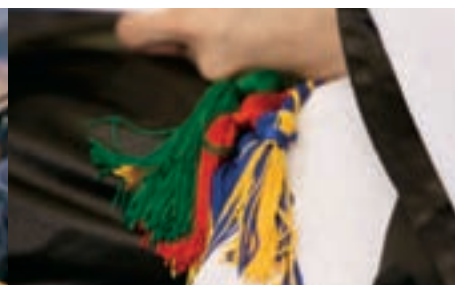
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ON THE COVER

Thomas More College graduates are inspired by many motivating factors that ushered them through their time here as students. The cover graduates were photographed minutes before the graduation procession by photographer Bruce Crippin. (From left to right) Aaron Miller (Business), Megan Markgraf (Spanish, Business), and Adam Yeary (Chemistry) are each inspired by their promising futures as graduates of Thomas More College.



Alumni's Favorite Piece of Advice from a TMC or Villa Madonna Professor



"In my freshman year (1969), and after having failed miserably on an English test, Dr. Ron Mielech advised me that I learn to write. Boy, was he ever right. I use it in everything I do, from writing technical reports, to proposals, to articles. Thanks Ron!!"

— George J. Schewe '73

"In my first semester at TMC, I took an advanced creative writing course from Sr. Colleen Dillon. At the end, she told me that I was a talented writer and should consider majoring in English. When I replied that I was already busy with a computer science major and math minor, she assured me that adding English was a good idea and promised to help me choose courses. I agreed only because I didn't have the courage to say 'no' to a very smart, somewhat intimidating (to me at the time) nun — I fully intended to drop it later. Instead, I ended up with an English minor that helped shape the direction of my career and earned me kudos for my writing at every stop. To this day, I think of Sr.

Colleen's critiques — 'there is no need to overuse modifiers, David' — when I work with my students at Kent State. This exemplifies the fantastic moments of learning that occur outside of the classroom at Thomas More College."

— David Purcell, Ph.D. '88

"I graduated from TMC in 1971 with a degree in art. My favorite piece of advice was from Darryl Brothers, chairman of the art department. He taught painting. He always used to tell us to use good quality supplies (paints, brushes, canvas, etc.) because you never knew when you were going to create a masterpiece. His advice is still good today. I even relate his saying to painting a room in your house. If you use good brushes, rollers and paint, the finished job will be of a higher quality."

— Donna Standriff Miller '71

"Sr. Rita Marie (former chair of the chemistry department) offered this piece of advice: 'Bracket your

ignorance and know what you know.' — By this she meant rather than just having a vague, undirected, somewhat helpless sense of 'I don't know,' students should seek to define the parameters of what they do know to help better refine questions to expand the boundary of what they know into areas of new knowledge to discover. Learning required active exploration on the part of the learner, not passive absorption of received wisdom from 'on high' (i.e., the teacher). Sr. Rita Marie was a great role model as a teacher-learner and my own three-book NSTA Press series, *Brain-Powered Science: Teaching & Learning with Discrepant Events*, is very much in the tradition of Sister's advice."

— Dr. Tom O'Brien '78

"Dr. (Siobhan) Barone always advised us to 'do it early and do it thoroughly.' This was not necessarily the precise way that she put it, but Dr. Barone rewarded work done the day it was assigned. She always recommended rewriting our notes and, when reviewing for the exams, she would highlight important points said in class. If you DID rewrite the notes, you didn't miss a thing on the exam because she was always so straightforward. That advice has served me well throughout my schooling thus far and in life as well."

— Danielle Waymeyer '09, PharmD Candidate 2013, University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy



Fr. Ronald Ketteler Celebrates 50th Anniversary

Fr. Ronald Ketteler, associate professor and chair of TMC's Department of Theology, recently celebrated 50 years of service to the priesthood. He was appointed to teach theology and philosophy at Thomas More College in 1982. Throughout the years, Fr. Ketteler has touched the lives of thousands of students and parishioners. Among his many appointments and accolades, he regularly contributes columns to the Diocese of Covington's newspaper, *Messenger*. In a recent issue celebrating Fr. Ketteler's jubilee anniversary, Bishop Roger Foys commented, "As a gifted homilist he has touched the hearts of literally countless of the faithful as well as his brother priests...I am pleased to call Fr. Ron not only a good priest, but also a good friend who has been a blessing to me and to my ministry as his bishop."



Showcasing Thomas More College's 'BEST'

Thomas More College faculty offered entertaining lessons about history, communications and creative writing on May 23 to 34 students from Hinsdale Elementary, one of the College's BEST (Business Education

Success Teams) partners. Professors Mary Jo Nead, Tim Moore and Sherry Cook Stanforth engaged students with interactive demonstrations that offered them a fresh perspective on learning.

Thomas More College was recently honored by the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce for being the most outstanding BEST Partnership of 2010-11.

To read more about the BEST partnership, visit thomasmore.edu/MORE.

Behind the Scenes of *A Man for All Seasons*

SUBMITTED BY SAMANTHA ISLER, SENIOR THEATRE AND ENGLISH MAJOR AND INTERN AT CINCINNATI SHAKESPEARE COMPANY



It seems appropriate that a Thomas More College student work as an intern at the Cincinnati Shakespeare Company in preparation for the upcoming season. The Company's second show, *A Man for All Seasons*, features the College's namesake during his stand against England's separation from the Church. It's summer and the production hasn't started rehearsal yet, but preparations are well on their way and the show is already blossoming under the Company's care.

This internship was created through a collaboration between the TMC English department and the administration at the Shakespeare Company, and I am extremely lucky to have gained this experience in the summer before my senior year. Less than two weeks into the job, I already knew this experience would stay with me. In a short time, I've been able to train in skills that work toward both my English and theatre majors; including creating study

guides for local schools, training as a house manager for performances and assisting in preparations for the kids' summer camp. The range of experience is far greater than what I had anticipated, and the Company is so welcoming that I feel like part of the team no matter what project I'm currently working on.

I've even taken a small part in pre-production of Robert Bolt's *A Man for All Seasons* by assembling scripts and forming study guides. The play is the

story of Thomas More's stand against King Henry VIII. This particular historical event is quite familiar to TMC students and alumni, but here's a quick recap... The king wants to separate England from the Catholic Church after the pope rejects Henry's appeal for divorce. Thomas More, the chancellor of England, refuses to secede from the church and is arrested for treason. Bolt's take on the story is quite refreshing. While Bolt is not a Christian, his telling still pays its dues to More's faith and is remarkably human. The dialogue is simultaneously witty and touching, and the show promises to draw the audience in wholeheartedly.

A Man for All Seasons is showing at the Cincinnati Shakespeare Company September 9–October 2. For more information, visit cincyshakes.com.



Healthcare Management Program Gets Underway

The first cohort of students pursuing a BBA in healthcare management was hard at work in the spring semester. The program is comprised of 18 classes — 11 are purely taught in a healthcare discipline, while the remaining seven classes complement the discipline. Specific training is offered in core competencies in areas such as ethics, quantitative analysis, business writing and marketing.

The courses and program were designed with the guidance of the American University Programs in Healthcare Administration (AUPHA) staff as well as benchmarking with the use of programs and syllabi from a host of accredited, cutting edge programs throughout the country.

To find out more about the program, visit thomasmore.edu/tap.

To read a full re-cap of the program written by Dr. Jack Rudnick, Jr., visit thomasmore.edu/MORE.

Le meilleur lieu pour étudier l'art est à Paris

SUBMITTED BY PROFESSOR REBECCA BILBO



Manet, Monet and Courbet are the superstars of French painting of the Second Empire, and the best place to study the work of these artists is of course in the artistic center itself — Paris. Thomas More College students had such an opportunity for nine days this past May. After 10 hours of on-campus study where students learned about the emergence of impressionism, realism and the mystical



leanings of the symbolist painters, students studying French language and art history were brought together to tour the magnificent museums of Paris, a trip organized by Professors Florence Dwyer, of the foreign language department, and Rebecca Bilbo from the art department.

The dormitory on the Parisian campus of St. John's University provided an ideal location for the eight-day stay. The group could walk to all of the museums except Monet's garden at Giverny, which was a day excursion that required a delightful train ride into the French countryside. The course and trip were designed in conjunction with a special exhibition at the musée d'Orsay featuring artist Edouard Manet as the inventor of the modernist movement.

In addition to the museum viewings, students studied about the architecture of Paris as well. Conversing in French was an equally important component of the trip. Not only were students encouraged to use French only with Professor Dwyer and each other, students also had plenty of opportunity to polish their French language skills while shopping at the farmers market for picnic foods, ordering at cafes and restaurants, reading wall texts at museums and with the staff at St. John's. For students of the French language, it was the ideal interdisciplinary course, marrying the study of art history with the study of language. With the resounding success of this study abroad course, plans for a future study abroad course in Paris are already in the works.

To read Professor Bilbo's full submission about the trip, visit thomasmore.edu/MORE.



TMC Student Entrepreneurs Inspire Others Through Clothing Line

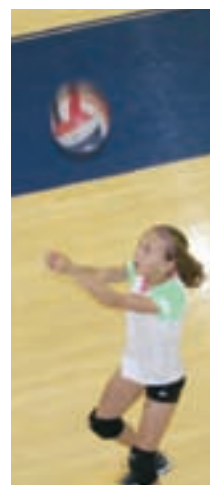
TMC 2011 graduate Cordario Collier and junior Jason Matheny are eager to share their passion for individuality with others, even if that means selling the shirts right off their backs. The two entrepreneurs have combined their artistic talents, people skills and business sense to create a clothing line based on their brand Modern Misfit Classic Genius (MMCG). According to their mission statement, the slogan is designed "to inspire individual liberation and motivate freethinking, self-accepting individuals to embrace their amenities and constructively evolve to become inspiration to society."

The MMCG clothing line can be purchased through the duo's website.

For more information, visit themisfitgenius.com.

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Music in the Air... Inaugural Season for TMC Instrumental Ensemble

SUBMITTED BY ADJUNCT PROFESSOR
REBECCA WELLS

For the first time since its founding in 1921, Thomas More College offers students an academic instrumental ensemble course. This spring's ensemble is a chamber ensemble, which can perform with or without a conductor. This smaller sized group places a more obvious responsibility on the preparation, musicianship and excellence of each student.

The Associate of Arts in Music, as developed by Professor Stephen Goforth, provides the perfect liberal arts opportunity for TMC students. It offers them a complimentary focus in an area not necessarily related to their major. It is our mission to provide our students with theoretical and practical knowledge to continue participating in music as an avocation for the rest of their lives whether for their church or for the simple joy of playing music.

The TMC Instrumental Ensemble offered its first outreach service program to St. Elizabeth Healthcare Edgewood, presenting its concert, "Music for Meditation".

To read more about the music program at TMC, visit thomasmore.edu

TMC Students Lead Effort to Raise more than \$12,000 for Relay for Life

Thomas More College hosted the American Cancer Society Relay For Life April 15–16, 2011. The student-led event included 18 teams, with a total of 240 participants who raised \$12,353.75 for the American Cancer Society, far surpassing the College's goal. Four area schools took part in the event, including Bishop Brossart High School, Villa Madonna Academy, Covington Latin School and St. Henry District High School. Numerous events were held throughout the night, including a luminaria ceremony to honor loved ones who have been affected by the battle against cancer.

To view a video from the event and see additional pictures, visit thomasmore.edu/MORE.



Annual Words Celebration

Thomas More College's 2011 *Words* celebration was held April 14. *Words*, the College's literary magazine, was celebrated, along with the accomplishments of TMC student writers and artists. Guest author Dana Wildsmith shared her work at the event, along with award-winning TMC writers and artists.

Jenny Rife received the Sandra L. Cuni Award for her poem "Cornfields, or a Midwestern Girl's Shameless Larceny of Frost." Other award winners included: JJ Kirley, Rachel Meisenholder, Laura Barfield, Rachel Cloud, Katelyn Rowekamp, Melissa Albino and Emma Teller.

For more information about *Words* and additional credits, visit thomasmore.edu/MORE.

TMC Participates in RecycleMania

Thomas More College participated in RecycleMania, a national effort to promote waste reduction activities to campus communities. The friendly competition and benchmarking tool took place over a 10-week period, during which schools reported recycling and trash data. With each week's reports and rankings, participating schools were able to see how their results fluctuated against other schools and use this to rally their campus communities to reduce and recycle more. TMC's weekly results tripled between the first week's reporting and the final week's reporting. The event was spearheaded by Aramark's Chef Philippe Audax, with help from TMC students, faculty and staff. For more information about RecycleMania, visit recyclemania.org.



Dennis Whitehead '66 was the featured speaker at the opening ceremony. He and his wife, Nancy, were two of 12 survivors who participated in the Survivor Lap.

TMC junior nursing major Shelli Ruppert cut 10 inches of her hair to donate to Locks of Love at the College's Relay for Life event April 15.



Michelle Smith, a junior biology major and member of the Honors Program, contributed to Relay For Life in a unique way of using her talents. She made custom piñatas with a cancer-fighting theme, which she used to raise money for the event.



The luminaria ceremony in Thomas More College's Connor Convocation Center honored 72 loved ones who have battled against cancer.

Giving Back

THOMAS MORE COLLEGE ANNUAL FUND

Class Challenge 2010-2011 – Where Did Your Class Fall?

Class of 1955 Takes The Win!

President Sr. Margaret Stallmeyer '68, and alumni representing their respective class years, appealed this spring with a class challenge...to increase class alumni giving rates. In appreciation of their enthusiasm, members of the winning class are receiving complimentary tickets to the 2011 Homecoming on Saturday, October 8, 2011. Tickets include unlimited drinks and food in the alumni tent, as well as a ticket to the Homecoming football game at The Bank of Kentucky Field to cheer on the three-peat Presidents' Athletic Conference Champion Thomas More Saints as they host the Grove City Wolverines.

The winning class was the Class of 1955, with a 92 percent alumni giving rate! (The Class of 1955 improved its giving rate by 56 percent over last year.) Overall, the top 10 classes combined for an impressive 75 percent giving rate. Those top 10 in order were:

1. 1955
2. 1940
3. 1941
4. 1954
5. 1953
6. 1945
7. 1952
8. 1947
9. 1948
10. 1951

Check out
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to see how your class
measured in the
challenge!



2011 Phonathon – Unplugged



“Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out.”

Robert Collier



Thirty students participated in TMC's annual Phonathon in February, and each came away with experience in a variety of areas, ranging from the art of cold calling to entering data into the software program to interviewing and writing thank you notes. The callers came together on 15 days during the month of February to reach out to alumni for gifts to the College's Annual Fund. Some of those calls (2,274) were to alumni who had never given before. A total of 4,664 households were called, with 362 of

those calls ending up in pledges. Thank you to everyone who made time to speak with them! To see the callers in action, visit thomasmore.edu/MORE.

Why Tom Rawe Gave to TMC



Tom Rawe attended Thomas More College for just one year (1974-75). His plan was to go to a small college his first year and

transfer to a bigger college in pursuit of an engineering degree. After his freshman year at TMC, he joined his high school sweetheart, Lisa, at Georgia Tech and went on to accomplish his goal of becoming a successful engineer. He and Lisa have been married 33 years. He has worked for Duke Energy for 30 of those years. While he and Lisa enjoyed their time in North Carolina, they happily accepted a transfer back to Northern Kentucky in 2008.

Tom recalls his time at TMC, “I was there on an academic scholarship, and I remember someone back then saying to me, ‘When you get to a point in your life and you can afford to pay the tuition back, then that would help someone else have the same chance that you’re having.’ I’ve been meaning to get to campus ever since we moved. Now, I’m at a point where I can give back to the College, and I’m happy to do so,” Tom said.

Tom visited the Office of Institutional Advancement to arrange for his gift to the College and took a tour around the campus that gave him his start in the professional world, excited to give back and inspire another student to pursue dreams like those he was able to realize.

Thomas More College to Recognize Charter Members of Legacy Society at Oct. 20 President's Society Dinner

SUBMITTED BY TMC PLANNED GIVING COORDINATOR TIM RAWE

Since implementing a formalized planned giving program in June of last year, 23 individuals and couples have communicated their plans to include the College in their wills and estate planning. 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 donors receive benefits during their lifetime and then bequeath the remaining funds to the charity.

To recognize those who provide for the sustainability and future growth of Thomas More College through a donation of a planned gift, the College has established The Legacy Society. Those original 23 individuals/couples, along with any others who make their intent known prior to October 10, 2011 will be officially honored as "charter members" of The Legacy Society of Thomas More College.

The Legacy Society of Thomas More College and the Charter members will be introduced to the community at the President's Society Dinner, which will be held Thursday, October 20, 2011 at Summit Hills Country Club.

Benefits of Charter membership include:

- the prestige of being a "trailblazer" of The Legacy Society
- an invitation to all future special events of the College
- the opportunity to advise on the future naming of the society
- other special recognitions to be defined by the College
- recognition in diocesan-wide legacy program

All donors considering a planned gift to the College are encouraged to consult with their legal and tax advisors concerning their specific gift. To explore the opportunity of a planned gift or to notify the College of your intent, contact Tim Rawe at 859-344-3320 or timothy.rawe@thomasmore.edu.

SAVE THE DATE!

Aug. 2 | Breaking Ground for New Chapel

The groundbreaking for Thomas More College's new chapel, Mary, Seat of Wisdom, will be held August 2, 2011, with anticipated completion of the project next fall.

Visit thomasmore.edu/giving to see the chapel in progress throughout the year.



Sept. 29 | Bishop Hughes Awards Dinner

The 16th Annual Bishop William A. Hughes Awards Dinner is set for Thurs., September 29, 2011 at Drees Pavilion. Thomas More College will honor Thomas R. Dietz '69 and Andrew J. VonLehman '75. In addition, the Benedictine Sisters of St. Walburg Monastery will be presented a special award in recognition of the College's 90th anniversary.

For information on tickets and sponsorships for the evening event, call 859-344-3344.

Oct. 20 | President's Society Dinner

The President's Society Dinner will be held October 20, 2011 at Summit Hills Country Club. The President's Society includes those donors who give a gift of \$1,000 or more annually as well as legacy gifts.

For more information about becoming a member, contact Cathy Silvers at 859-344-3344 or cathy.silvers@thomasmore.edu.



INSPIRATION AND FAITH: A CONVERSATION WITH ROSEMARY MCNEEVE

BY STACY SMITH ROGERS



he front porch of Rosemary McNeeve's early 1900's home is like an introduction into a period novel.

Once inside, its pages are tenderly well-worn by the continual sharing of its narrative with others. The gracious foyer offers a glimpse of the life story that has shaped a young girl's graceful journey to become an experienced, generous woman whose 97 years serve as an inspiration for everyone who knows her.

Rosemary has lived in the Victorian house since she was 15 years old, when her father, Frank McNeeve, bought the home. She said it was the fifth house built on her street and the first to have a working bathroom. Rich wood casings envelope oversized windows, which usher in the morning light. Large needlepoint portraits Rosemary has created throughout the years adorn the walls. Many images of the Blessed Mother reflect Rosemary's faith, while the fragrance of a bright purple orchid, perfectly

cared for, reveals the attentiveness of an individual committed to helping things blossom, through diligence in prayer and generosity in giving.

Her favorite flower is the River Lily, white with pink and reddish centers. However, she's enchanted by her orchid and thankful to the recent guest who brought it to her. My companion is TMC Vice President

for Institutional Advancement Cathy Silvers, whom Rosemary immediately greets with a warm smile and a waved invitation to join her near the vintage tiled hearth. She's seated in a cream floral-patterned wingback chair near the window in the front parlor. I'm wondering how many others have had the pleasure to spend time with her here. Rosemary's sense of independence and elegant charm is immediately inspiring, and I find myself correcting my posture and remembering my manners in an effort to be a worthy guest in her home.

Rosemary is joined by her nurse, Patti, who shares an obvious respect for Rosemary and an endearing closeness that seems more like that of a companion than an employee. I'm put at ease by that, and while I still sit up straight, I relax enough to begin the interview.

She reveals that although she isn't a graduate of the College, she has felt it has been a noteworthy institution of faith and higher education in the Northern Kentucky community. "When I heard about the chapel being built, I thought, 'This is a good place to invest my money.' I'm always thrilled to be able to give and help someone who needs it," she explained. Rosemary's generosity is the reason I'm here to talk with her. She has served as an inspiration for many at Thomas More College and the fact that she didn't go to school there and still gives generously is intriguing and admirable.

Rosemary's appreciation for institutions of higher education, specifically ones that focus on faith, is simple to decipher. She was a teacher

herself. She graduated from LaSalette Academy in Covington and Madames of the Sacred Heart College in Clifton. She was a demonstration teacher at Schiel School and the University of Cincinnati, where she taught others how to be educators. After teaching several years in the Covington school system, Rosemary worked with the National Council of Catholic Women, and spent two years in the Washington, D.C. office. She returned to the area at the conclusion of World War II and taught at Saylor Park School in Cincinnati. After earning her master's degree in teaching at the University of Cincinnati, she was a principal. I'm even more impressed by this with the realization that she accomplished so much during a time when women weren't expected to pursue careers, let alone serve in roles of authority.

Recalling her time as a teacher, Rosemary said she taught with another woman named Edith, whom she and the children deeply admired. "I was a good teacher, but she was the best. These children were slow learners, but she didn't make them feel that way. She made them feel as if they were as smart as anyone else. I learned a lot from her," she explained. Rosemary said she cherishes that experience and the opportunity to give back and make a difference in the lives of young children, and added that she, herself, continually learns new things every day.

My conversation with Rosemary leads to a question that I don't normally ask complete strangers, but looking around the room and learning

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more about her, I venture into the subject of faith. "Faith has always been a strong part of my life. It wasn't until after my career, however, that I began really examining my conscience. I simply had more time to focus on faith and go deeper with it. Prayer has changed my mind on many occasions. If I have a big decision, I pray to the Lord and am guided in doing the right thing," she said.

We continue talking about praying, and I mention that I have three daughters. Rosemary's eyes light up. She leans forward to ask me their ages and wants to hear more about them. I share with her the fact that when I pray with my youngest, she mistakes asking God to help her solve problems with asking for candy corn — her favorite treat. Rosemary's delightful laugh vibrates throughout the parlor and I'm glad she's not offended by my three-year-old daughter's view of the power of prayer. It's obvious that children have played an important role in her life and I'm flattered that she has taken an interest in mine. During her time as a teacher, Rosemary said that she kept a box in her classroom where students could write down questions. Every Thursday she would answer them. I think about that and imagine her being able to answer any question her students asked, with the same intensity and interest that she has shown in answering mine.

It was only recently that Rosemary gave up sewing, which has been another creative outlet for her giving, and a trait that was passed down by her mother, Ellen "Nellie" Grossman McNeeve. Throughout the years, she has sewn baby clothes and quilts and knitted sweaters and caps through the Visitation Society. She mentions her sister, Helen Theissen, who passed away in 2005, with whom she was active in founding the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. She and Helen were members of the Equestrian Order of the Knights and Ladies of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem that supports orphanages, hospitals and schools for children in the Middle

East. Helen was instrumental in founding the Women's Guild of Villa Madonna College, through which Rosemary also came to learn about the College and its faith-based mission.

As an experienced world traveler, Rosemary was so moved by the poverty she witnessed in India and Africa, that she includes those regions in her giving and was instrumental in building a church in Ghana. She tells me about her brother who was studying to be a priest near there and fell ill. He was able to take his first vows before passing away at the young age of 30.

Rosemary's life story is full of many chapters that have led her to be thankful for where she is now. When asked what she hopes to inspire in others, she said, "I would hope to inspire them to be good, faithful, appreciate what they have and to do for other people. And, to be faithful to their Lord," she adds.

Rosemary's generous giving through the years indicates her passion for supporting a Catholic liberal arts education and taking seriously her position to help others. As we begin to leave, Rosemary gives Cathy a warm embrace and offers a thankful smile to me, along with an invitation to come back again, especially if it's after five o'clock and we can share a glass of wine. I realize that our short meeting is only a glimpse into her inspiring life story. However, even a brief summary is certainly worth sharing and passing on to others.



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Part Two

The Inspiring Connection Between TMCs' People, Passions and Causes



This is the second of a two-part series on how TMC connects people, passions and causes. Wm. T. (Bill) Robinson III '67 shares a brief snapshot of his experience practicing law and how his connection to TMC has played a big role in his career.



WHEN BILL ROBINSON DELIVERED THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS AT TMC'S GRADUATION IN MAY, IT WAS CLEAR THAT HE NOT ONLY BELIEVED IN THE MESSAGE HE WAS COMMUNICATING, BUT THAT HE WAS A LIVING EXAMPLE OF IT.

The key to success, he explained, lies within one simple question. "Keep asking yourself, 'How do I make a positive difference in the lives of those I have a privilege to serve?' If you ask yourself that question every day, your life will be more successful and fulfilling because of it."

Bill is a 1967 graduate of the College. As an accomplished attorney primed to take over the helm as president of the American Bar Association (ABA) this August, he has had a chance to make a positive difference in the lives of those he has served for 40 years as a lawyer. He is member-in-charge of the Northern Kentucky offices of Frost Brown Todd LLC, a regional law firm with offices located in Kentucky, Ohio, Tennessee, West Virginia and Indiana. In addition, he has an office with the firm in Cincinnati. Civil litigation at the trial and appellate levels has been the primary focus of Bill's law practice. He also has extensive experience in commercial litigation, class actions, product liability defense, environmental litigation and medical malpractice defense. In 2004, he was

inducted into the Alumni Hall of Fame at the University of Kentucky, College of Law.

He and his wife of 42 years, Joan (Wernersbach), a 1969 graduate of TMC, attended the commencement ceremony, bringing with them a strong connection to Thomas More College and the values and work ethic it promotes to its students. Bill's brother, Bernie, is a 1969 TMC graduate. Joan's sister, Ellen (Wernersbach) '66, and her husband, Joe Roesel '65 are also TMC alumni.

Bill described his path to Thomas More College as a bit unusual. "At age 14, I left home and attended the seminary through high school and one year of college. It was a wonderful five-year experience in every respect. But at age 19, in that summer of 1964, I reluctantly concluded that the clergy was not my calling," he said. He focused on finding another career path where he could provide professional service to others. Bill had never known or even met a lawyer prior to making the decision to pursue law as a career, but he had read about them. "Like most people of my generation, I was moved by *To Kill a Mockingbird* and the professional ideals portrayed so impressively by Atticus Finch. Through that book, I was enthralled with the opportunities lawyers have to serve others when it counts the most. Such is the essence, not only of being a good lawyer, but also the essence of being a good citizen," he explained.

Bill had also read *A Man for All Seasons*, which highlights Thomas More and the principles for which he lost his life. In his commencement address, Bill emphasized the role that professional ethics played in the life of Thomas More and urged graduates to heed the example set forth by the College's patron saint.

"No man or woman is above the law, and no one is beneath its protections, either; and the rule of law is to protect the minority from the tyranny of the majority. These are the principles on which Thomas More himself rested his reputation. And, it's what we mean when we quote the four words inscribed above the columns of the U.S. Supreme Court in Washington, DC: *Equal Justice Under Law*," he explained to the graduates.

He went on to comment on the importance ethics play in life, "Professional ethics should define your reputation from here on out. Your reputation is like precious glass — crack it or break it and you can never get it back."

Bill recalled his time at TMC in the late 1960's. "I chose to study history and pre-law which were then under the rule (and I mean RULE) of Sr. Mary Albert and Sr. Mary Philip who taught us with dedication, discipline and determined commitment to the highest standards of academic accomplishment." Bill noted the dress code required males to wear a tie to every class, without exception. "Although

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that tie ended up looking pretty worn by the end of the semester, we followed the mantra that you need to look and act like a professional in order to become a professional.”



Bill credits his experience at the College as having played a significant role in his professional success. “The work habits, goal orientation and discipline that were imparted in me there made a tremendous impact on my career. The common denominator for success is hard work and discipline, which I learned first-hand as an undergrad. With its rich Catholic heritage, our College has always promoted an atmosphere of respect, honesty, trust and openness,” he explained.

Bill has been active in ABA for more than 25 years and has been a member since 1972. He served as Treasurer from 2005 to 2008 and was elected to become ABA president after his only opponent dropped out of the race early on. Like other aspects of his career, Bill has identified an ambitious goal for his coming one-year term. “Our primary focus will be the crisis underfunding of state courts in this country. It’s a terrible situation in all 50 states. There is too little money allocated to the court systems, which causes delays in courts, and, in some cases, courts being closed. Justice is at the very heart of our

the last 40 years, Bill has represented hundreds of clients and has, no doubt, worked toward success in a wide variety of cases and legal matters. “I find it endlessly fascinating that each situation and each client is unique, bringing with them unique challenges and opportunities,” he said. Bill and Joan have two sons: Tay (Wm. T., IV), who has two children (Brooke and William V) with wife Jennifer; and Todd who is married to Bridget. In addition to golf, Bill enjoys hunting and fly fishing. Bill said he’s intrigued especially by fly fishing because it’s both peaceful and active. “There are a lot of aspects to fly fishing that allow you to completely and exclusively focus your attention on the task at hand. You have to know what the fish are eating, what the insect looks like and how to present it in a way that appeals to the fish. That takes lots of strategic thinking,” he explained.

constitutional democracy. It should be deliverable and accessible on a daily basis to every citizen,” he emphasized.

Throughout

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In his closing remarks to the graduating class of 2011, Bill relayed important advice, “While it may take you a couple of years to realize the value of your experience here at the College, as you go forth to define your destiny, be confident that your education here will enable you to go as far as you choose to go.” He advised graduates to go forward with time for volunteerism (what deToqueville called “the habits of the heart”) always with an eye toward making a positive difference in the lives of others.

“Take this experience at the College with you like you would an annuity — to be drawn upon for the rest of your life. At this school, we’ve each been fortunate to learn how to

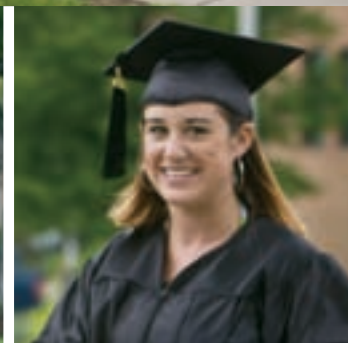
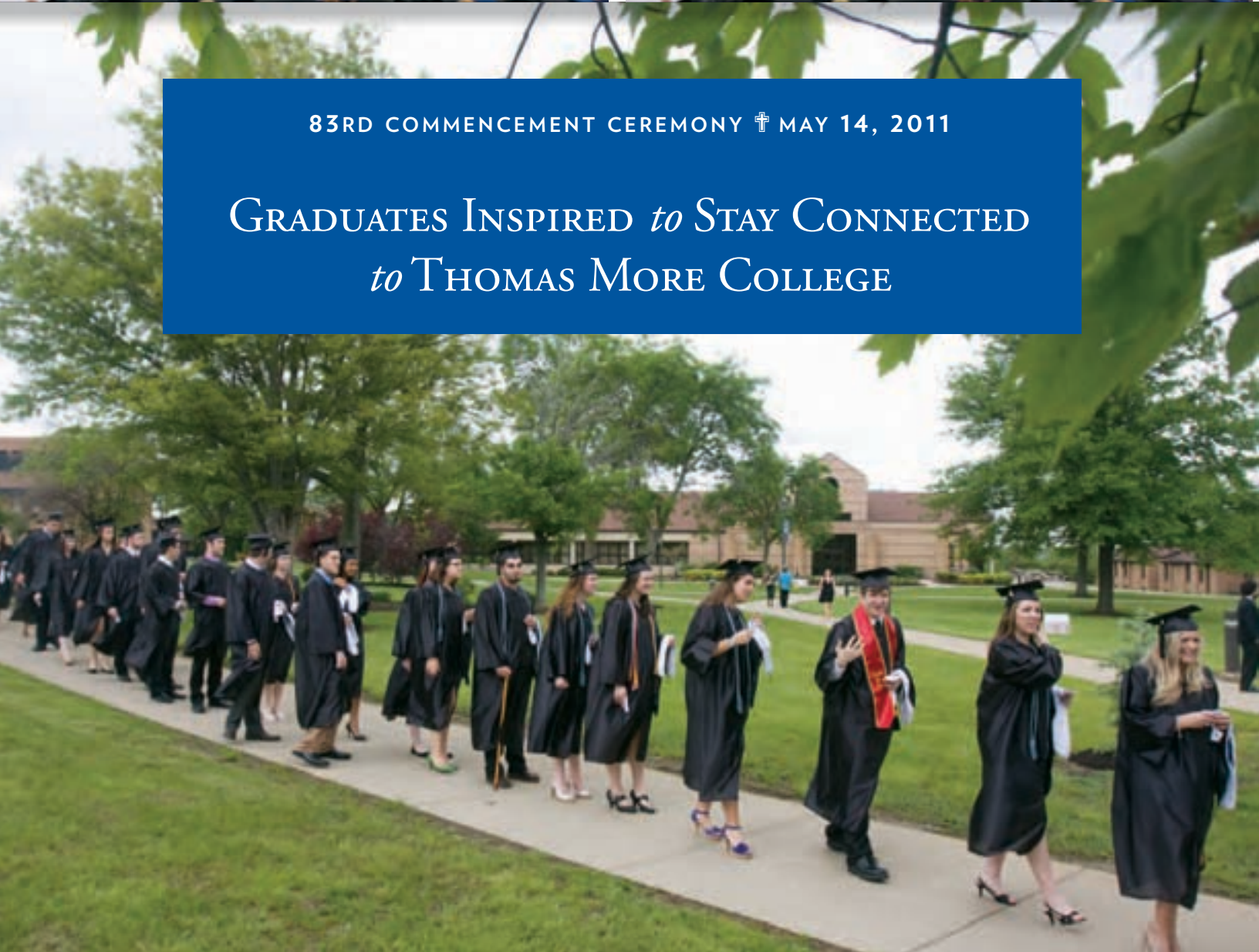
dream real dreams. And, we have been provided the skills to make them a reality. Don’t stop working, and those dreams will become a reality for you,” he added. It would be easy for Bill to sit back and be satisfied with his accomplishments and dreams already realized. He certainly has been blessed with his share. However, the work ethic instilled in him at TMC and his

continued quest to positively impact the lives of others have driven him to keep sharing his talents and building new skills to both inspire and help those “he has a privilege to serve,” both now and in the future.



83RD COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY † MAY 14, 2011

GRADUATES INSPIRED *to* STAY CONNECTED *to* THOMAS MORE COLLEGE





Thomas More College honored the accomplishments of 376 graduates at its 83rd Commencement Exercises Saturday, May 14, 2011. A Baccalaureate Mass was held prior to the ceremony at St. Pius X Church in Edgewood, Ky. Despite the rain, the graduates' spirits weren't dampened. In fact, they wore broad smiles and exchanged excited embraces as their hard work and dedication was celebrated within the Connor Convocation



Center. Among the graduates were traditional students, young and eager to begin their life journeys. Alongside them, were non-traditional students who balanced family and work in pursuit of degrees that will enrich and expand their lives.

While diverse in backgrounds and life pursuits, the graduating class of 2011 shared a contagious enthusiasm that was obvious among all who attended. President Sister Margaret Stallmeyer acknowledged the hard-earned efforts of the graduates and presented Kyle Egan, a double major in accountancy and business administration, with the Presidential Service Award. She welcomed commencement speaker Wm. T. (Bill) Robinson III '67 with the Thomas More Medallion. With emphasis on the unique educational opportunities at Thomas More College, Dean of the College Dr. Bradley A. Bielski acknowledged two faculty members: Dr. R. Steven

Flynn and Dr. Julie Luebbers who received the Outstanding Full-Time Teacher Award and Outstanding Part-Time Teacher Award, respectively.

In addition, President Stallmeyer recognized the Class of 1961, and cited its inspiring connection to TMC as a worthy example to follow. "Class of 2011 ... When you woke up this morning, it was no doubt with a feeling of anticipation; an eagerness to move on to the next chapter of your life, whether that is in a professional position or in graduate school. You will leave here today, but I hope, like the Class of 1961, you will stay connected to the College and to this chapter of your life," she said. (See photos of Class of 1961 on page 21.)

Chairperson of Thomas More College's Board of Trustees Dr. Jeanne-Marie Tapke '91 offered the graduates congratulatory remarks. The Bishop of the Diocese of Covington The Most Reverend Roger J. Foys, D.D., offered an inspiring benediction before the graduates celebrated their achievements with family and friends.

To see more photos of graduation, visit thomasmore.edu/MORE.

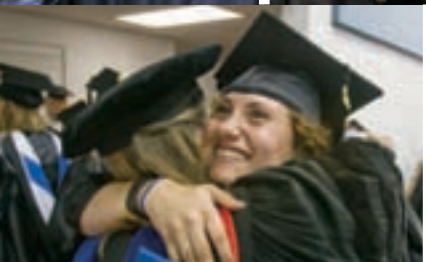


(From left to right) Chairperson of TMC's Board of Trustees Dr. Jeanne-Marie Tapke, Dr. Julie Luebbbers, Kyle Egan and Dr. R. Steven Flynn



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– Sr. Margaret Stallmeyer





\$1.5 MILLION GOAL FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE PROGRAMS SURPASSED



ON JUNE 1, THOMAS MORE COLLEGE OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED THAT IT HAS RAISED MORE THAN \$1.6 MILLION FOR ITS ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE PROGRAMS, SURPASSING THE \$1.5 MILLION GOAL ORIGINALLY SET TWO YEARS AGO. In 2009, the College received a 2-1 challenge grant from the James Graham Brown Foundation, which offered a \$500,000 incentive for raising \$1 million by May 31, 2011.

Efforts to raise the money have been steady in the two-year timeframe, with a recent surge in giving in May of this year. Donations from Citi, The Bank of Kentucky, Fifth Third Foundation and the R.C. Durr Foundation put the College \$129,990 over the goal. Other major contributors to the campaign include Duke Energy Foundation, Toyota USA Foundation, The P&G Fund of the Greater Cincinnati Foundation, Carol Ann and Ralph V. Haile, Jr./U.S. Bank Foundation, and the George A. Renaker (M.D.) Charitable Foundation.

Thomas More College President Sister Margaret Stallmeyer commented on the achievement and the generosity of donors, "The College is thrilled and honored to receive so much support and participation by our community partners. The success of surpassing this goal is a testament to the significance of the goals of this project and

a recognition by the corporate community of the necessity for a well-prepared STEM workforce in Greater Cincinnati."

Dr. Chris Lorentz, biology professor and director of Thomas More College's Biology Field Station, explained the importance of raising these funds. "With the money raised through this effort, Thomas More College has the ability to not only improve and expand facilities and research capabilities for our students, but we will be able to provide the community with a variety of science outreach programs including field trips, seminars, camps and workshops. A particular focus will be on improving STEM education throughout the region," he explained.

According to Lorentz, the money raised from the efforts will help the College:

- Build a new LEED-certified education conference center and residential facility at the Biology Field Station located on the Ohio River
- Construct a new analytical laboratory at the station
- Renovate the environmental/evolutionary laboratory and genetics/microbiology laboratory for teaching and research projects at the main campus

- Purchase new laboratory equipment and supplies
 - Expand the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) programs for K-12 students
 - Expand the outreach coordinator position from part-time to full-time
- Dr. Lorentz added, "The new facilities, renovations and additional equipment both at the Biology Field Station and on the

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– Dr. Chris Lorentz

main campus will greatly enhance and expand the current programs in biology, chemistry and environmental sciences and offer educational opportunities unlike any other college in the region. Our students will have access to university-grade research facilities, coupled in a small liberal arts setting — the combination of which is unique and highly valuable to all those seeking a career in the STEM fields and STEM education."

The College will continue to raise funds for two additional laboratory renovations on the main campus. **For more information about the environmental science programs at Thomas More College, visit thomasmore.edu.**

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

Sue Thompson '11, Adult and Professional Education Data Coordinator

Sue Thompson practices what she preaches. As adult and professional education data coordinator, she is also a 2011 graduate of TMC. She said that the best aspect of her job is seeing people better themselves by earning a degree. "One of the greatest lessons that I have learned working here is that it is never too late to go back to school to earn a degree," she explained. Sue recently graduated to receive her bachelor's degree in business administration with a concentration in management. "It took a lot of determination and hard work, but it was worth it. I always told myself that I would do this and I finally did it," Sue elaborated.

In her role in Thomas More College's Accelerated Program (TAP), Sue works with students who are going through some of the same challenges that she experienced while working, balancing a family and pursuing a degree. "Often students come to me and say they want to give up because they can't juggle work, school, homework, children, grandchildren or whatever else they have going on. I tell them, 'If I was able to do it, you can too! Stay focused in your determination and you will make it.' Students sometimes need a little reassurance they are going to make it. I can offer that reassurance to them," she explained.

Crediting the student-to-teacher ratio as a major advantage for learning at TMC, Sue appreciated the welcoming environment of her classroom experience. It offered a real-life perspective to her job here and better prepared her to answer questions from prospective students about Thomas More College.

A Dayton, Ky. native, Sue moved to Ft. Mitchell, Ky. when she was just four years old. She is proud to have come from a large family of five sisters and four brothers. "Family gatherings are a lot of fun. I am so thankful that my parents are still around to share in the fun." Her husband of 34 years, Ed, and she have two children who are also graduates of TMC. Sam '00 graduated with a major in chemistry and Julie '02 holds a degree in communications. Ed, who is a professional flight instructor, obtained his associate's degree in elected studies in 2006. Sue and Ed also have two grandchildren, and Sam and his wife, Michelle, will add another to their family in early October. Sue is obviously proud of her family and their educational

accomplishments, including Michelle, who holds a doctorate in pharmacy.

In addition to education, Sue values a passion for travel. "I want to see the world. I love experiencing different cultures and languages. There is so much out there and I've only seen a small part of it." Her ambitions to travel and her determination to explore something new reflect Sue's quest as a lifelong learner and offer a shining example of how TAP students can accomplish anything if their minds are set on it.

Terry Connor '92, Director of Athletics

Terry Connor had always dreamed of a career that revolved around athletics. Today, he's living out that dream in a place that seems more like home than simply a place to work.

He graduated from Thomas More College in 1992 with a degree in history and later obtained a master's degree in education at Xavier University. His father, Jim Connor, who passed away in 1996, was a highly respected coach and athletic director here at TMC, so Terry's desire to be a Saint was instilled at an early age.

Terry chose to come to Thomas More because of the opportunity to play baseball under his father. He cited many life lessons learned during his time as a student athlete. "You had to have a lot of discipline both in the classroom and on the field. It took a great deal of hard work to be successful. Everything here was hard-earned, whether that was a good grade in class or the opportunity to share in a team meal on a road trip," he said.

Prior to working at TMC, Terry taught and coached at Dixie Heights High School. He ventured across the street to Thomas More as an assistant basketball coach under Larry Cox. When Larry moved on to another coaching opportunity, Terry was hired as TMC head men's basketball coach. Eventually, he took on the responsibility as director of athletics and currently oversees all the athletic programs at TMC.





This is the fourth in a series that highlights alumni who work at Thomas More College. Nearly 40 alumni call their alma mater their workplace, where they use the skills they learned here as students and demonstrate why TMC is a great place to go to school *and* work.

Terry values the experience he had as a student in learning how to communicate with others. “Our professors knew us by name and called on us often to speak in class, so we learned how to communicate our answers effectively. That’s a skill you can use your whole life, and one that many people struggle with,” he said. Perhaps the biggest lesson Terry said he learned at Thomas More is to appreciate everything. “Nothing is ever handed to you in life. You have to work hard to earn everything you get,” he said.

Originally born in Louisville, Terry grew up in Boone County, Ky. His wife Michelle (Wolfer) also went to TMC and graduated in 1994 with a degree in accounting and an associate’s degree in business. They have two children: a daughter, Jalee, who is an incoming freshman at Seton High School; and a son, Braden, who will be in the seventh grade at St. Dominic School. Terry shares his father’s legacy with five brothers and one sister. Three of them — Jim, Ed and Nancy — are also Thomas More College graduates along with his parents. His father graduated in 1950 and his mother, Mary, graduated in 1992, the same year as Terry. Even at age 85, she attends games to cheer on the Saints.

The building Terry works in, Connor Convocation Center, is named after his dad. “It’s a pretty special feeling to come to work in a building named after your father. My dad was a great example for me and many others here at Thomas More. It’s my ambition to continue his legacy and influence our coaches and student athletes to do the best they can. And, I’m fortunate to be able to do that in a place that is very special to me and my family,” he said.

John Cimprich '71, Professor of History, Chairman of the History, International Studies and Political Science Departments

John Cimprich is a professor and chairman of Thomas More College’s History, International Studies and Political Science Departments. He obtained his A.B. from Thomas More in 1971 and went on to earn a M.A. and Ph.D. from The Ohio State University in 1973 and 1977, respectively.

Having graduated from a small high school in Middletown, Ohio, the intimate learning environment of Thomas More appealed to him as a student. “I liked the low student/teacher ratio. And, coming from a large working class family, an offer of a full tuition scholarship meant a great deal,” he said. John acknowledged that the unifying theme from his transition as a student to a teacher was the culture of TMC. “It’s very personal, friendly and focused on the constructive development of the student. For me, that made it an excellent place to learn. It also prepared me well for graduate school, and today, continues to offer a very supportive work environment,” he said.

As a student, John said he learned skills and life lessons at TMC that he still uses on a daily basis. “In interacting with other students, especially fellow dorm residents, I learned that getting along with others requires listening to and understanding them. Everyone has something interesting about them. Hearing a range of views broadens your knowledge and helps you clarify your own thinking. Understanding this has helped me in teaching, working with colleagues and learning about humanity,” he explained. John credits Sr. Mary Philip Trauth for instructing him about historical analysis and influencing his view of teaching. Today, he is recognized by many as an American Civil War specialist.

“What I like most about teaching is guiding students — as much as possible — to think on their own and make connections, which is a useful skill in everyday life,” he commented. “Of the other aspects of this job, advising Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society and the History Club is a lot of fun. Academic clubs build group spirit and provide enjoyable activities for relaxed learning,” John elaborated.

As a student during the transition from the Covington campus to here in Crestview Hills, John recalled what it was like to be on Thomas More College’s campus in 1968. “I had a chance to meet President Lyndon B. Johnson and shake his hand at the dedication. Also, I belonged to the first group of dorm students, and was one of the first student representatives on a college committee,” he said.

John’s wife, Vickie Hucker, graduated from Thomas More in 1972 with a degree in English. He proudly refers to her as a published poet and a formidable companion on many of the couple’s traveling adventures. Having just returned from Europe this summer, John admits that Vickie’s love of languages was a big help in navigating their journey throughout France and Italy. Although they were both students at TMC, they started dating after a chance meeting in 1984. Their two cats keep them company at home. “Not blessed with children, my students have been my connection to the future,” John said. When he’s not involved in historical research, writing papers or traveling, John enjoys reading, swimming and hiking. †



Faculty Notes

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

ACCOLADES, PRESENTATIONS & PUBLISHED WORKS

Dr. Bradley A. Bielski, vice president for academic affairs and dean of Thomas More College, was appointed by Governor Steve Beshear to the Education Professional Standards Board through 2014.

Dr. John V. Cimprich, professor and chair, history, presented "The 1864 Fort Pillow Massacre" to the Northern Kentucky Sons of the Union and "The 1862 Federal Operation against Fort Pillow" to the Youngstown, Ohio, Civil War Round Table.

Dr. Julie Daoud, associate professor, English, offered a round table session titled "A Year in Review as a Member of the College's FLC on CT" at the Lilly Conference on College and University Teaching in June in Bethesda, Md.

Dr. Shiv Desai, assistant professor, education, delivered three recent presentations: "Recognizing and Challenging the (Un)Intended Consequences of Qualitative Research: Advocating a Dialogic Methodology to Promote Indigenous/Decolonizing Research" at the 23rd Annual Ethnographic and Qualitative Research Conference; "Envisioning an Aesthetic Capital: Building on Cultural Wealth Through a Call-n-Response Pedagogy" at the 5th Annual Critical Race Studies in Education Conference; and "Finding the Corner in the Classroom: Establishing Safe, Critical Counter-Spaces for Wounded Healing" at the 2011 Annual American Educational Research Association Conference.

Dr. Florence M. Dwyer, assistant professor, foreign languages, presented the paper, "La dimension spirituelle dans l'oeuvre théâtrale d'Eric-Emmanuel Schmitt: *L'Hôtel des Deux Mondes*," at the Cincinnati Conference on Romance Languages and Literatures in May 2011.

Dr. Erwin F. Erhardt, III, professor of history and economics, attended the American Social Sciences Association and the American Economic Association Conference held January 6-9, 2011 in Denver. Dr. Erhardt presented a paper titled "Via Cairo: Images of the Soviet

Front during World War II in the British Imperial Newsreel *War Pictorial News*" at the Popular Culture Association and American Culture Association Conference held in San Antonio in April. In June, Dr. Erhardt traveled to Europe to present three papers: "A United Kingdom? Efforts to create a spirit of unity through the Ministry of Information films of World War II" at the Council for European Studies in Barcelona, Spain; "Expanding Wartime Workers' Output: The British Government Employs Film as a Psychological 'Weapon' to Boost Worker Productivity During World War II" at the International Psychology and Literature Conference in Roskilde, Denmark; and "Suppressed Memories of War: *Foyle's War* and the Exposition of the Unspoken Truths of World War II" at the International Association of Media and Historians Conference in Copenhagen. From Europe, Dr. Erhardt traveled to Costa Rica where he presented a paper titled "From South to North America: the Growth and Spread of the Worship of 'Our Lady of Guadalupe' as Patroness of the Americas" at the International Popular Culture and American Culture Conference.

Dr. John W. Ferner, professor, biology, was recognized by the Cincinnati Museum Center for accumulating over 5,000 volunteer hours since 1989. Dr. Ferner serves as the adjunct curator of amphibians and reptiles and supervises other volunteers, including TMC students in the care of the collections. His time there has included participation in three expeditions to the Philippines, which have resulted in the description of several new species.

Dr. R. Steven Flynn, professor and chair, Department of Accountancy, was named chief editor of *International Journal of Applied Accounting and Finance*. The journal's first edition, published earlier this year, featured articles ranging from an analysis of Madoff's ponzi scheme to an investigation of the effects of demographics on investment choice in developing countries and included authors from the United States, Canada and India.

Dr. Cari Garriga, professor and chair, foreign languages, and **Dr. Julie Luebbbers**, assistant professor, foreign languages, completed the Little Miami Triathlon on Sunday, June 5, 2011 in a time

of 3:24:00. The triathlon involved a six-mile canoe paddle, six-mile run and 18-mile bike ride.

Dr. Raymond G. Hebert, professor, history and dean emeritus, relinquished his directorship of the James Graham Brown Honors Program on May 1, 2011 to **Dr. Catherine Sherron**, associate professor, philosophy, after 10 years. However, he will remain full-time in the history department. Dr. Hebert attended his 25th year as faculty consultant/table leader for the College Board's Advanced Placement (AP) Scoring Process in European History in Kansas City. He also directed/taught his 15th Cooperative Center for Study Abroad (CCSA) Program—this one for the Late Ireland program with four faculty and 55 students.

Dr. Christina C. Petroze, assistant professor of education, presented at the Kentucky Association for Teacher Educators Conference last fall with three student teachers. Their presentation was titled: "Future Leaders in Tomorrow's Schools: Using Today's Theory and Research to Think Outside the Box." Dr. Petroze also presented "Teaching Pre-Service Teachers About Critical Thinking" at Kentucky's 3rd Annual Education Summit. In addition, she presented "From Core Content to Common Core: Triangulating the ELA Common Core Standards Among Administrators, Pre-Service Teachers, and Classroom Teachers" at Kentucky Council for Teachers of English/Language Arts in Covington, Ky.

Dr. Robert M. Riehemann, associate professor, physics, delivered a talk at the spring meeting of the Mathematical Association of America at Eastern Kentucky University titled, "Game Theory as a General Education Course."

Dr. Malcolm Robinson, professor and chair, economics, served as an expert economist on KET's June 6, 2011 *Kentucky Tonight* program with host Bill Goodman. Topics discussed were the economy, the federal budget and the debt limit.

"Elder Abuse and Neglect: Clergy Awareness, Knowledge, Intervention Preferences, and Perceived Severity" written by **Dr. Jack Rudnick, Jr.**,

assistant professor, business administration and program manager of health care management, was published on The Spirituality and Health Online Education and Resource Center, a peer-reviewed resource for The George Washington University Medical School's Institute for Spirituality and Health.

Dr. Manish Sharma, professor and chair, education, presented "Facing the Future: Preparing the Data System for Formative Evaluation, Clinical Practice and Residency Models" session at the annual American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education conference in San Diego in February and "Web 2.0 Technologies and Preservice Teachers: Classroom Technology Integration Examples" at the International Society for Technology in Education Annual Conference in Philadelphia, Pa. in June.

Dr. Catherine Sherron, associate professor of philosophy, co-presented "Doing Right: Ethical Challenges in EMS" with Michael Sherron at the West Virginia EMS regional conference in February and at MedFlight training in Columbus, Ohio. She served as a respondent to Gina Schouten's "In Opposition to Moral Luck: An Exercise in Biting Bullets" at Kentucky Philosophical Association's fall meeting. In addition, Dr. Sherron has recently taken on the role of director of the James Graham Brown Honors Program, along with serving as the faculty athletic representative. She also directed TMC's Secret Adventure Camp in July.

Pedagogical research that **Dr. Sherry Cook Stanforth**, professor, english, published over a decade ago with UC professor Russel Durst (Collision Course) has become a central feature of a recent Utah State University Press book by Irvin Peckham, *Going North, Thinking West*. Peckham's work received an honorable mention for the 2011 Outstanding Book Award for Civic Scholarship.

Rebecca Schaffer Wells, adjunct faculty, music, participated in a world premiere summer concert in Fr. Cyprian Consiglio's "St. Luke" oratorio in Louisville at the National Pastoral Musicians Association's national convention.

Faculty Profile

15 MINUTES WITH DR. CATE SHERRON

Q: How long have you worked at TMC?

A: Since 1999.

Q: Where did you obtain your degree/degrees?

A: I have a Bachelor of Philosophy (B. Phil.) in interdisciplinary studies (focused in medical ethics) from Miami University, Oxford, Ohio; an M.A. in philosophy from University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tenn.; and a Ph.D. in philosophy from University of Cincinnati.

Q: What do you want students to take away from your class?

A: An appreciation of the grey areas in ethical deliberation and a recognition of all the wisdom stretching throughout the history of philosophy from Plato and Aristotle to Descartes and Hume to living philosophers around the world — the kind of thinking that still applies to current problems.

Q: Are there any special awards or accolades that you want to mention?

A: I survived the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) accreditation process without too much damage to myself or others!

Q: What is something that you've always wanted to do, but haven't had the chance to do yet?

A: Travel to South Africa; take more math and science classes; bicycle a century (100 miles).

Q: Where was your last vacation — and why did you choose that destination?

A: Working vacation in London, England while I taught a biomedical ethics course for the Cooperative Center for Study Abroad Program.

Q: What is something about you that people would be surprised to know?

A: I was born in London and lived in Tehran, Iran. I love *Glee*.

Q: Who has been (or is) your role model? And why?

A: My husband because he is kind to everyone and has a vocabulary I envy.

Q: What are your hobbies — or what do you do when you're not teaching at TMC?

A: Gardening, travel, choir, biking.

Q: What has teaching at TMC taught you?

A: Patience.

Q: What song or artist do you listen to when you need to get motivated?

A: Depends on what I need motivation for...working out and relaxing — *Glee* soundtracks; grading or writing — jazz, folk, Shape-note/early American folk, Arabic fusion.

Q: What book is on your nightstand? Or, do you have a favorite book?

A: I'm reading *The Elegance of the Hedgehog* on my iPhone and *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* in hard copy.

Q: As a child, what did you want to be when you "grew up?"

A: I wanted to be a philosopher. I just didn't know the name for it!

Q: Has there been a particular challenge in your life that you've learned from that you would like to share with others?

A: Working on TMC's accreditation involved a lot of pressure, which led to the mantra, "more glamour, less stress."

*"I'll be searching for those moments
of always within never"*

*from The Elegance of the Hedgehog
by Muriel Barbery*



Catherine Sherron, Ph.D.
Associate Professor of Philosophy

TMC Alumni Calendar of Events

Join the Crowds!

Alumni events are a great way to reconnect, network and socialize, so mark your calendars to join us at these events this year!

Sept.

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Bensman Golf Classic
Summit Hills
Country Club



Sept.

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Bishop Hughes Awards Dinner



Oct.

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Homecoming Weekend
TMC Campus



Stay Connected with TMC – Update Your Records!

Has your contact information changed? Did you get married? Do you have a new job? Have you moved? To ensure you keep receiving important information from TMC, please update your contact records with the College by going online at thomasmore.edu/alumni and complete the alumni update form. We can also email or snail mail a form, if necessary. For more information, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 859-344-3346 or email alumni@thomasmore.edu.



Oct.

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President's Society Dinner



Oct.

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TMC Alumni Day at Keeneland



Oct.

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RunMORE



Alumni Gatherings

The Class of 1961 celebrated its 50th anniversary during Commencement Weekend on May 13 and 14. A reception at the home of Janet (Schumacher) '61 and David Schneider '60 was enjoyed by all the evening before, as was the commencement luncheon, ceremony and reception the following day. More than 50 classmates and spouses attended the celebrations.



CLASS OF
1961
RETURNS TO CAMPUS

TMC's Theatre Department and Villa Players Announce Fall Shows for 2011:

A Midsummer Night's Dream

by William Shakespeare

Directed by Alana Ghent

September 30, October 1, 2, 7, 8, 9

Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead

by Tom Stoppard

Directed by Samantha Isler (Theatre Senior)

November 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27

For those of you who may be less familiar with Stoppard's classic, it is an "absurdist, existentialist tragicomedy" set behind the scenes of Shakespeare's Hamlet.

For ticket information, visit thomasmore.edu/theatre or email alana.ghent@thomasmore.edu.

Request for Memorabilia for Display

The TMC Alumni Association is looking for more memorabilia from your past VMC or TMC days for use in our "Heritage Display" case located in the library. Items may be anything from textbooks, pictures, apparel, event programs, athletic items or memorable souvenirs from your college days. Items may be dropped off to the Office of Alumni Relations or the TMC main Information Window in the lobby. (Please include your full name and class year when donating the items.)



The Career Planning Center – Here to Help You

A Message from Shawn Stovall, Career Planning Coordinator



Thomas More College's Career Planning Center offers a variety of services targeted to current students and alumni. Our objective is to help identify career goals by clarifying interests, abilities and career options via counseling and exploration. In addition, we teach job hunting strategies and educate about graduate and professional school options. We are thrilled to assist alumni in their current and future career planning. Some of the services we offer include:

Career Coaching – Career coaching programs are designed to assist students and alumni as they evaluate interests, identify skills and occupational values, explore potential career and academic major options and develop a plan of action compatible with a chosen career field.

Cooperative Education – Co-op offers current students the opportunity to gain paid work experience related to their field of study while receiving academic credit.

Job Posting Service – Full- and part-time positions available in the local area are posted on the Career Planning Center site job board.

Resume Assistance – Assist students and alumni in developing and refining their resumes to meet employer expectations and electronic scanning requirements.

Annual Career Fair – Employers have an opportunity to discuss full-time, co-op and summer employment during the on-campus Job Fair.

Employment Web sites – The career planning office can help you access employment information and job banks via the internet.

Mock interviews, assistance with cover letters and negotiations

Shawn Stovall currently serves as the coordinator of career planning services at Thomas More College. He has more than 15 years' experience leading and training. For assistance, please contact Shawn at 859-344-3386 or by email at shawn.stovall@thomasmore.edu.

Send Us Your Photos!

We would love to include photos of our alumni and their families as part of Class Notes. Please follow these guidelines when submitting photos for publication:

Photographic prints: *Moreover* accepts all photograph sizes, but prefers 2x3 inches (wallet size) for headshots and 4x6 for photos featuring several individuals. Both black and white and color prints are acceptable. Mail your photos to the Office of Alumni Relations, Thomas More College, 333 Thomas More Parkway, Crestview Hills, KY 41017.

Tips for sending photo prints: The photos sent for publication in *Moreover* should be sharp and clear. Photos that are out of focus, have shadows or contain red-eyed subjects may not be usable.

Digital photos: For print reproduction of digital photographs, we require high resolution files (a minimum of 300 pixels per inch or 300dpi) in as large a format as possible. Digital photos should be saved in a JPEG or TIFF format. To submit a digital photo, attach it to an email message with your class note to alumni@thomasmore.edu.

1960s

Charles Bogart '65 was recently featured in *The State Journal* newspaper in Frankfort, Ky., for his collection of railroad memorabilia and for authoring several articles and small books on wartime and naval history.

1970s



Fred Fausz '70 recently published his latest book, *Founding St. Louis: First City of the New West* (The History Press). Fausz is a history professor and former honors college dean at University of Missouri-St. Louis.

Bill Theis '72 is a deacon at St. Therese Church in Southgate, Ky., and recently accomplished his milestone of running a marathon (26.2 miles) in all 50 states.

Daniel Richter '76 recently published his second book, *Before the Revolution: America's Ancient Pasts* (Belknap Press of Harvard University Press) which spans the varied islands of the Atlantic basin that gradually created a distinctive North American world. He is a professor of American history at the University of Pennsylvania.



Dr. Thomas O'Brien '78 recently published *More Brain-Powered Science: Teaching and Learning with Discrepant Events* and *Even More Brain-Powered Science: Teaching and Learning with Discrepant Events* (NSTA Press), the second

and final volumes of his three-volume book series. Dr. O'Brien was also promoted from associate to full professor at Binghamton University's (SUNY) graduate-only School of Education where he directs the master of arts in teaching science program, as well as teaching in the educational leadership CAS program.

2012 Athletic Hall of Fame Nominations Accepted

Thomas More College has continually hosted student athletes who have excelled not only on the courts and fields on campus, but in their classrooms and community. If you know of someone who deserves to be considered for the 2012 Athletic Hall of Fame, visit thomasmore.edu/alumni and complete the nomination form.

Submission deadline is December 1, 2011.

For more information, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 859-344-3346 or alumni@thomasmore.edu.



Letters...a lost art? What do *you* think?

Moreover wants to know what you think about letters? Yes, the real ones that come in envelopes — maybe even handwritten! Have texting, emailing, tweeting and Facebook messaging replaced the lost art of letter writing? Have you ever received a letter (other than your acceptance letter to TMC) that changed your life? We want to know. Send in your response to moreover@thomasmore.edu by September 30.

1990s

Connie (Litkenhaus) Wurzbacher '91 is an OB/GYN in Cincinnati and lives with her five children in the nearby town of Mason, Ohio.

Amy (Hopper) Sullivan '96 recently earned her master's degree in library media education from Western Kentucky University and was the recipient of the Outstanding Graduate Student of the Year in Library Media Education.

Scott Guise '99 and his wife, Tracie, welcomed their second child, Landen Scott, on May 3. He joins big sister Hallie. The family resides in Lexington, Ky.

2000s

Amity Yeager '01 and **Jennifer (Klare) Nash '04** were honored as 2011 recipients of Northern Kentucky's Golden Apple Awards for their extraordinary impact on education and young people of the community.



Steven Jaeger '02 was elected to a second consecutive two-year term for Edgewood (Ky.) City Council.

Brother Paul (Michael Ray) Byrd '04 recently graduated with a master's degree in theology from the Aquinas Institute of Theology, as well as certificates in biblical studies and pastoral care. He professed solemn vows with the Order of Preachers in June 2011, will study French in Quebec for the summer, then enroll in the Master of Arts in Writing and Publishing program at DePaul University in Chicago in Fall 2011.



Alicia (Donnermeyer) Heller '06 and her husband, Michael, welcomed their first child, Nolan Michael, on April 16, 2011.



Stephanie (Horton) Hayden '07 and her husband, Brent, both recently graduated from the University of Kentucky's College of Medicine.



Alex Lytle '09 married Hillary Lokesak on May 21, 2011.

2010s

Chris Rickels '10 has recently accepted an offer from the Master of Arts in Philosophy program at the University of Toledo where he will begin with a fully funded teaching assistantship in fall of 2011.

In Memoriam

Eleanor Galvin '42

passed away on April 29, 2011.

Mildred (Rust) Hagedorn '43

passed away on April 24, 2011.

Margaret (Sanchez) Meister '53

passed away on June 6, 2011.

Judge William L. Schmaedecke '56

passed away on June 24, 2011

Robert J. Velten '59

passed away on March 25, 2011.

Joseph M. Donovan '65

passed away on April 6, 2011.

Joseph Theobald '66,

also a member of the ADG fraternity, passed away on May 7, 2011.

Kenneth D. Collins '67

passed away on March 28, 2011.

John L. Barth '73

passed away on June 4, 2011 at his residence in Ft. Thomas, Ky.

Donald Busemeyer '74

passed away on April 21, 2011.



Saints Fans were treated to their fair share of victories in the spring, as has become the custom here at TMC. Student athletes continue to inspire others with their contagious team spirit and enthusiasm for representing their college. As the fall season gets underway, visit thomasmore.edu/athletics and mark your calendars to watch the Saints in action!

Inspired Teams Ready to

SUBMITTED BY CORY BLACKSON, TMC SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

■ BASKETBALL

Jeff Hans Named New Women's Basketball Coach



Jeff Hans has been named the new head women's basketball coach at Thomas More College. Hans comes from Northern Kentucky University, where he was the top assistant on Nancy Winstel's women's basketball staff for the past three seasons. He assisted in all areas of coaching, scouting

and recruiting for the Norse.

"We are truly delighted that Coach Hans has accepted the position as head women's basketball coach," said TMC Athletic Director Terry Connor. "With his success as a head coach at the high school level and as an

assistant at the collegiate level, we believe he will build upon the success that the women's basketball program has reached."

"I am very excited to take on this role," stated Hans. "I would like to thank Sister Margaret Stallmeyer, Terry Connor and the search committee for allowing me this opportunity. I look forward to building on the tradition already established in the women's basketball program and recruiting student athletes whom the Thomas More community will be proud of on and off the court."

Hans spent four years as a head girls basketball coach in Kentucky as he was at Lexington Catholic from 2006-2008 and St. Henry District High School from 2004-

2006. In his four years as a high school head coach Hans had an 89-34 record, won two district titles and finished as regional runner-up twice. Prior to his four years at the high school level, Hans spent five years as an assistant at the college level. He was an assistant at Division I Indiana State University from 2002-2004, graduate assistant at NKU from 2001-2002 and an assistant at Wilmington College from 1999-2001. Hans, a 1999 graduate from Wilmington College, helped his teams go a combined 168-67 (.714) in his eight years as an assistant at the collegiate level. He and his wife, Stacey, reside in Independence, Ky. with their two daughters, Kailynn and Keira.

■ BASEBALL

Schmeltzer Named Academic All-America

Thomas More College senior third baseman Sam Schmeltzer (Aurora, Ind./South Dearborn) was named to the 2011 Capital One Academic All-America college division baseball team on May 24, 2011 by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

Schmeltzer, a third team selection, had a 3.53 grade point average as a biology major during his four years in the classroom at Thomas More. He is the fourth Thomas More baseball student athlete in the last three years to earn Academic All-America honors and the eighth in head coach Jeff Hetzer's 11-year tenure as the Saints' skipper.

Schmeltzer started all 38 games for the Saints and was second in batting with a .414 average and hits (58) and was first in runs batted-in (53). He also had 41 runs, scored 10 doubles, four home runs and one triple.





Take on Coming Seasons

FOOTBALL

Football Ranked in Two Preseason Publications



The Thomas More College football team is ranked in two national football magazines' NCAA Division III Top-25 preseason polls. The Saints are ranked No. 11 in the *Lindy's* and No. 14 in *The Sporting News*.

Thomas More is the three-time defending Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) champions as they posted an 11-1 overall record and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Division III Championship

Playoffs last season for the second straight season. The Saints return 33 letterwinners and 16 starters from a team that last season averaged 33.2 points per game, while holding the opposition to just 15.9 points per game.

PAC rival Washington & Jefferson College joined the Saints in *The Sporting News* poll as the Presidents were ranked No. 16. In addition, the Thomas More versus Washington & Jefferson College game scheduled for September 24, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. in Washington, Pa., was picked as one of the top five "Games to Watch" in NCAA Division III this fall by *Lindy's* and one of the top nine "Games to Watch" nationally according to *The Sporting News*.

Thomas More opens the 2011 season on September 10 when it hosts Hanover College at 1:30 p.m. at The Bank of Kentucky Field.



TMC Football Team Loses Honorary Captain To Cancer

Thomas More Football recently lost a dear friend with the passing of Tony Merk, much too soon, at the age of 6. Tony's courageous, three-year battle with medulloblastoma, a form of brain cancer, ended on Monday evening, July 4, 2011.

Tony Merk was an honorary captain for the Thomas More Football team. His brave, joyful demeanor inspired everyone around him, and certainly those in the TMC community.

This season, the Saints will continue to display their "TONY" decal proudly on their helmets, and 2011 will be dedicated to Tony and the Merk family.



Saints Sidelines

**Mark Your Calendar
and Cheer on the Saints!**

■ MEN'S TENNIS

Hetzer Earns All-Conference Honors as Men's Tennis Finishes Sixth at PAC Championship

The Thomas More College men's tennis team finished sixth at the PAC Championship on April 29 and 30, 2011 at the Pennbriar Athletic Club in Erie, Pa. Junior Andrew Hetzer (Cincinnati/Elder) earned second team All-PAC as he advanced to the championship match at first singles, but finished second.

For the season, the Saints were 2-8 overall in dual matches, including a 2-5 record in PAC dual matches. Thomas More was led by Hetzer and senior Evan Bryan (Petersburg, Ky./Villa Madonna) as Hetzer was 8-5 at first singles, Bryan was 5-6 at second singles and the two paired together to go 6-7 at first doubles.



*Join us for an upcoming game.
Schedules for athletic events are
found online at thomasmore.edu/athletics.*

■ WOMEN'S SOFTBALL

Softball Has Ninth Winning Season in Last 10 Years

The Saints' softball team had another successful season on the diamond as it claimed its ninth winning season in 10 years with a 26-13 overall record and a 13-2 mark in the PAC. The team finished runners-up in the PAC regular season and runners-up at the championship tournament in Bethany, W.Va.

After the season, four Saints were honored by the PAC head coaches with All-PAC honors as junior first baseman Brittany Wegman (West Harrison, Ind./East Central), senior pitcher Dana Bors (Lebanon, Ohio/Lebanon) and senior pitcher Samantha Ladenburger (Felicity, Ohio/Felicity-Franklin) were named to the first team, while freshman catcher Stefaney Turner (Franklin, Ohio/Carlisle) was named to the second team.



Wegman batted .358 as she was 38-for-106 with a team-high eight home runs, eight doubles, 26 runs batted-in and 30 runs scored. Bors batted .333 with a home

run, seven doubles, 19 RBI and 18 runs scored and had a 2.25 earned run average in 87 innings pitched with 72 strike outs. Ladenburger batted .271 with seven doubles, 12 RBI and 18 runs scored and had a 2.35 ERA in 110.1 innings pitched and had a team-high 81 strike outs. Turner led the team in batting with a .368 average as she was 42-for-114 with a home run, a triple, a team-high 12 doubles, 23 RBI and 24 runs scored.

Ladenburger and Wegman earned additional honors from the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) as they were named to the 2011 Louisville Slugger/NFCA All-Central Region. Ladenburger was a first team honoree and Wegman was a second team honoree.



MEN'S GOLF

Men's Golf Finishes Second at PAC Championship and Dulle Earns Player of the Year

The Thomas More College men's golf team finished second with a score of 1,267 strokes (319-321-314-313) at the 72-hole PAC championships, which consisted of 36 holes at the PAC Fall Invitational and 36 holes at the PAC Spring Championships, all played at the Oak Tree Country Club in West Middlesex, Pa. Senior Brandon Dulle (Cincinnati/St. Xavier) won Most Valuable Player honors as he was low individual medalist at the Spring Championship with a 148 (75-73).

Joining Dulle on the All-PAC first team was senior Jacob Bowman (Latonia, Ky./Holy Cross) as he finished tied for fourth with a 153 (77-76). Rounding out the Saints' golfers

in the championship were junior Mike Pharo (Cincinnati, Ohio/Moeller) in a tie for 21st with a 163 (81-82), senior Patrick Allen (Fort Thomas, Ky./Highlands) in a tie for 27th with a 165 (81-84) and sophomore Jacob Williams (Cincinnati/Moeller) in a tie for 31st with a 168 (86-82).

The Saints competed in eight tournaments with 14 total rounds of competition and had a team stroke average of 322.1. Bowman was named Capital One Academic All-District IV first team at the conclusion of the season by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) as he had a 3.91 grade point average as an accounting major.



Enjoy Watching the Game From a Saints Seat!



The excitement of the 2011 football season is building at Thomas More College. The Bank of Kentucky Field and Griffin Plaza are the venues to catch the three-time defending PAC champion Saints. Enjoy a great view of the game from Saints Seats, which can be reserved for the entire season. For more information, contact TMC Athletic Director Terry Connor at terry.connor@thomasmore.edu or 859-344-3308. Purchase of the Saints Seats includes a parking spot and admission to all home athletic events, including the five home football games scheduled for this season:

9/10/11	Hanover	1:30 p.m.
9/17/11	Geneva	1:30 p.m.
10/08/11	Grove City	1:30 p.m. (Homecoming)
10/22/11	Bethany	1:30 p.m.
11/05/11	Waynesburg	1 p.m.



BASEBALL

Baseball Repeats as PAC Champions

The Thomas More College baseball team went 29-9 overall and 15-6 in the PAC on its way to a share of the PAC regular season and its second straight PAC championship title and NCAA Division III regional semifinal finish.

On the heels of the team's successful season, junior first baseman Andrew Thole (Cincinnati/McNicholas) was named PAC Player of the Year, Head Coach Jeff Hetzer was named Coach of the Year and eight Saints were named All-PAC by the conference's head coaches.

Thole, who also earned All-PAC first team honors batted .385 as he was 52-for-135 with an NCAA Division III-leading 17

homers, team-leading 14 doubles, 52 runs batted-in and 40 runs scored. Hetzer, in his 11th season at Thomas More, is the all-time winningest baseball coach in Thomas More history as he is 277-151-3 in his 11 seasons.

Joining Thole on the All-PAC first teams were freshman second baseman Jason Handley (Cincinnati/Oak Hills) and sophomore shortstop David Kennett (Grove City, Ohio/Grove City), making the second team was third baseman Sam Schmeltzer (Aurora, Ind./South Dearborn), sophomore right fielder Ryan Darner (Burlington, Ky./Covington Catholic) and sophomore pitcher David Etscheid (Union, Ky./Ryle) and honorable mention All-PAC was sophomore

pitcher Grant Lewis (Mason, Ohio/Mason) and junior pitcher Aaron Carmack (Miamisburg, Ohio/Miamisburg).

Thole, Handley, Schmeltzer and Kennett earned additional honors from the American Baseball Coaches Association (ABCA) as they were named to the 2011 ABCA All-Mideast Region. Thole was chosen to the first team, Handley and Schmeltzer to the second team and Kennett to the third team. The internet website, D3baseball.com named Thole and Kennett to its All-America teams as Thole was named to the first team and Kennett to the third team.



Who's New at TMC?

Kelly Cordero, admissions counselor

Laura Custer, human resources director

Thomas Foltz, coordinator of Academic Support Services

Jeff Hans, head women's basketball coach

Kyle Klaas, custodian

Barbara McKenzie, receptionist

Kayla Ritter, admissions counselor

Brandon Wuske, reference/government documents librarian

10-Minute Spiritual Break...



This summer, TMC Director of Campus Ministry Sr. Pat Dorobek, SND, suggests taking a 10-minute spiritual break every day. She recommends contemplating the following story...

The Cracked Pot

— Author Unknown

A water bearer in India had two large pots, each hung on the end of a pole which he carried across his neck. One of the pots was perfectly made and never leaked. The other

work, and you don't get full value from your efforts," the pot said.

The water bearer felt sorry for the old cracked pot, and in his compassion he said, "As we return to the master's house, I want you to notice the beautiful flowers along the path."

Indeed, as they went up the hill, the old cracked pot took notice of the sun warming the beautiful wild flowers on the side of the path, and this cheered it some. But at the end of the trail, it still felt bad because it had leaked out half its load, and so again the pot apologized to the bearer for its failure.

The bearer said to the pot, "Did you notice that there were flowers only on your side of your path, but not on the other pot's side? That's because I have always known about your flaw, and I took advantage of it. I planted flower seeds on your side of the path, and every day while we walk back from the stream, you've watered them. For two years I have been able to pick these beautiful flowers to decorate my master's table. Without you being just the way you are, he would not have this beauty to grace his house."

Each of us has our own unique flaws. We're all cracked pots. But if we will allow it, God will use our flaws to grace his table. In God's great economy, nothing goes to waste. Don't be afraid of your flaws. Acknowledge them, and you too can be the cause of beauty. Know that in our weakness we find our strength.

pot had a crack in it and by the time the water bearer reached his master's house it had leaked much of its water and was only half full.

For a full two years this went on daily, with the bearer delivering only one and a half pots full of water to his master's house. Of course, the perfect pot was proud of its accomplishments. But the poor cracked pot was ashamed of its own imperfection, and miserable that it was able to accomplish only half of what it had been made to do.

After two years of what it perceived to be a bitter failure, it spoke to the water bearer one day by the stream. "I am ashamed of myself, and I want to apologize to you." "Why?" asked the bearer. "What are you ashamed of?" "I have been able, for these past two years, to deliver only half my load because this crack in my side causes water to leak out all the way back to your master's house. Because of my flaws, you have to do all of this

Serve It Up This Summer!

TMC Chef Philippe Audax

For more recipes, including Chef Philippe's Fontina and Prosciutto Stuffed Pork Chops with Grilled Polenta Squares and Roasted California grapes, California-Style Chopped Salad with Shrimp and Grilled California Pizzas, visit thomasmore.edu/MORE.

X-Treme Chocolate Double-Nut

Caramel Ladyfinger Torte

Serves 12

INGREDIENTS

- 1 1/2 cups semisweet chocolate morsels
- 2 (3-ounce) packages ladyfingers
- 1 (13-ounce) jar hazelnut spread
- 20 individually wrapped caramel candies
- 2 1/3 cups whipping cream
- 1 1/2 cups chopped pecans
- 1/3 cup confectioners' sugar plus 2 tablespoons
- 1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese, softened
- 2 tablespoons crème de cacao
- 3 (1-ounce) semisweet chocolate baking squares

Microwave chocolate morsels on high for 90 seconds or until melted, stirring at 30 second intervals; cool 5 minutes, and set aside.

Split ladyfingers, and stand halves around edge of a 9-inch springform pan, placing rounded sides against pan; line bottom of pan with remaining halves. Reserve remaining ladyfingers for another use. Spread hazelnut spread evenly over ladyfingers on bottom of pan.

Cook caramels and 1/3 cup whipping cream in a medium saucepan over low heat, stirring constantly, just until melted. Stir in pecans until coated; spoon caramel mixture evenly over hazelnut spread.

Beat 1/3 cup confectioners' sugar and cream cheese in a medium bowl at medium speed with an electric mixer until fluffy. Add crème de cacao; beat until blended. Beat in melted morsels until blended.

Beat remaining 2 cups whipping cream in a medium bowl at medium speed with an electric mixer until stiff; fold into cream cheese mixture, and spoon evenly over caramel layer in pan.

Shave baking squares with a vegetable peeler evenly on top. Sprinkle evenly with 2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar. Chill 1 hour before serving.



– Corrie ten Boom



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meet on campus?**

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(Read the story on page 10 to find out who this handsome TMC alumni pair is.)

