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Associate Professor of Art Father David Van Horn was named Michigan Professor of the Year by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education. Photo by Lisa Wilkie. On the back, Sophomore Kelly Canino of Union Springs, New York, during regular season soccer match. The Siena Heights women's team went on to play in national competition after being rated number one nationally during most of their season. Photo by Howard Salter.

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## Van Horn Honored as Michigan Professor of the Year

By Lisa R. Wilkie

With a sweep of his arm, the whole classroom is taken back in history to the Italian Renaissance. What follows is animated discussion about the artists of the time, discussion that becomes so vivid, the artists could just as well be in the room talking themselves about one another's work.

Maybe it's his vast knowledge of art, its history and how it relates to today that make students like and respect him. Maybe it's his way of disseminating that knowledge, of involving his students in classroom discussion. Or maybe it's his ability to spend personal time to be a friend and offer that little bit of extra guidance that can make a student's career.

Whatever it is, Father David Van Horn C.P.P.S., has it. He has earned so much respect and admiration from his students and colleagues that he was this year chosen as Michigan Professor of the Year by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education.

He was also awarded a national bronze medal by this Washington D.C. based association which is the principal public affairs arm of higher education. The organization makes its awards based on several criteria including letters of recommendation submitted by students, colleagues and alumni. He was one of seven in the nation to receive the bronze honor.

Van Horn, who has been an instructor at the college since 1970, teaches art history courses to all freshmen in the art program. He also teaches studio design classes. He has also taught senior core.

"I always knew what I wanted to be: a teacher, an artist and a priest. It was just managing my life so that this all fell together," Father Van Horn said.

Fr. Van Horn grew up in Hicksville, Ohio, and did not come into contact with Catholic education until his college years. He did not come into contact with the Dominican

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# Butter focuses on Survival During Captivity

In today's society, many young people have their minds occupied by various activities ranging from movies, to cars, to members of the opposite sex and deciding what college to attend.

Irene Butter never had the chance to think about those types of activities when she was a youth. She spent most of her early years practicing one thing...survival.

Butter told her story of spending over two years in Nazi concentration camps to the Siena Heights College community at the fall's first Aquinas Forum in September, before a huge crowd of approximately 400. Now a professor of Public Health Policy at the University of Michigan, Butter, 57, has certainly made a life for herself despite the tremendous odds.

Born in Berlin, Germany to a middle class Jewish family, Butter and her mother, father and brother were taken from their home in June of 1943 and deported to a concentration camp in the Netherlands. Six months later the family was taken to another camp, Bergen-Belsoen. Although it was no Holiday Inn, Bergen-Belsoen was considered one of the more "privileged" camps. It did not have the reputation of being one of Adolph Hitler's death camps, but conditions were far from perfect.

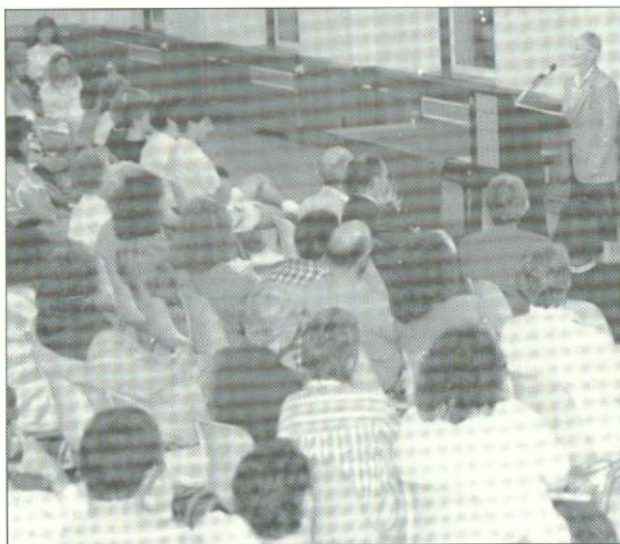
"We were not even considered human," Butter said. "We didn't live in human conditions. The worst of all was the intense hunger we suffered through. We were given about a two-inch thick piece of bread and turnip soup once-a-day."

In 1945, Butter and her family were released but not without incident. Her father died on the train trip out of the camp to Switzerland. Her mother and brother were very ill and spent many months in a Swiss hospital. Butter herself was taken to an allied camp for people who were homeless in North Africa. After eight months, she was finally reunited with her mother and brother in the United States.

Through the tragedy of the Holocaust, Butter said, many held in Hitler's torture chambers were kept alive by their faith in God, but many others also began to doubt the existence of a God who would allow something so terrible to occur.

It took many years before Butter and her family were able to open up and talk freely about their experience in the concentration camps. She said the pain and horror of it all was too much to think about now that they were free. Now though, Butter feels she must speak about her experiences.

"I feel I have an obligation to those who did not survive, because they can't talk about it," she said.



Irene Butter before a large crowd during an Aquinas Forum.

## New Advisory Initiative Begins at Southfield

Two new initiatives at the Siena Heights College Southfield Center will make the program more visible in the Detroit area. The college will utilize a new advisory council to help its image as well as take the Siena Heights degree-completion program to a new site. These two initiatives, along with continued remodeling, have made for an exciting kick-off of the 1988-89 academic year.

The college has formed a Program Advisory Council made up of adjunct faculty and members of the Detroit-area business community. This advisory council will help the college promote its programs in the Detroit area and among Detroit businesses.

The advisory council will tackle the problem of low visibility of the Southfield program which is now in its 12th year in the Detroit area, and offer ways to better position itself in the market.

Besides the advisory council, the Southfield Center will be taking its academic program on site to the Ford River Rouge plant to serve about 60 UAW tool and die makers there. The degree-completion program will help workers to earn a baccalaureate degree and will take into consideration past college experience and life and work experiences.

The College continues to remodel its Magnolia Center facility doubling both classroom and office space as well as making the spaces more comfortable. The center also

has added a full-time faculty member to help adult students revive their learning and writing skills. The college held an open house in early December so that the public could take a look at the facility.

## Enrollment Figures Show Large Freshman Class

Enrollment figures are some of the best ever this fall at Siena Heights College, with the college having its second largest freshman class ever and the largest freshman class in the 1980s.

Overall enrollment increased seven percent from last year with the total full-time enrollment at 823. Enrollment of part-time students was up also with 448 students compared to last year's 431. Total enrollment is up 73 students over last year.

"The successful year can be attributed to many different variables," said Dean of Admissions Norm Bukwaz.

Some of the success this year can be attributed to the college's Enrollment Management Team which has studied enrollment issues both statewide and at Siena Heights enabling the admissions team to develop appropriate recruiting strategies, he commented. Both marketing and retention strategies had an impact on overall enrollment figures, he noted.

The college's Hispanic Initiative and overall attention to minority recruitment also helped in drawing new students to Siena Heights as did a successful recruiting year in the area of athletics.

## Five-Year Plan Strategies Continue

Efforts to get input from various sectors of the college's donor population in relation to the college's needs for the next five years continue as Siena Heights begins the first year of its five-year plan of fundraising begins.

Most of the need focuses on improving the academics and visibility of the college by adding faculty, academic programs, scholarships and endowment and upgrading facilities and equipment. New programs will focus on service agencies in the community and on increasing the number of minorities and aging in the world population.

Working with a board task force, a Case Statement and videotape about the college have been developed to facilitate a small group meeting and feedback process. Results of this communication process are anticipated later this academic year along with a comprehensive strategy, recommendations and a timeline for implementation for a major fundraising program.

## Families Respond to "Generations" Story

Several families have responded to the "Generations of Graduates" story in the Summer edition of *Reflections*.

The public relations office has received word from Sr. Therese Tighe who was graduated from the college in 1951 and is aunt to Cathy Polivich Tighe, Rita Polivich, John Polivich and Kevin Polivich all attending in the late 60's and early 70's.

Sr. Therese reports that Cathy is now a nurse living in Fort Wayne; Rita is a clinical psychologist living in Decatur, Indiana; John, who was one of the first male resident students is a lawyer in Palm Harbor, Florida, and Kevin is a social worker living in New Castle, Indiana.

Barbara Herta Tinnesz, '81, of Boynton, Florida, wrote to say that her sister, Mary Herta, also of Florida, and her brother, Gary Herta of Arington, Texas, attended Siena Heights in the late 70's as well.

We are still eager to publish more family histories. Call or write the Public Relations Office with your own history at (517) 263-0731, Ext. 215; 1247 E. Siena Heights Dr., Adrian, MI 49221. Use the enclosed envelope for your convenience.

## Future of Work is Aquinas Topic

"It is a serious subject: the future of work," says University of Michigan-Flint Associate Philosophy Professor Richard Gull.

Gull presented the topic, "What Will the Future of Work Be Like After the Elimination of Work" at a Siena Heights College Aquinas Forum this fall, and offered interesting solutions to what he called, "the problem of work."

Gull says there is no "snap of the finger" answer to the problem of work. With work, there is always the problem of unemployment, and as he sees it, we are running out of jobs.

Gull, who is co-director for the Center for New Work in Flint, related that 150 years ago, 90 percent of the United States population worked on farms while the remaining ten percent lived off the surplus of those farms. Today, three percent live on farms and 97 percent of the population work for service or manufacturing industries.

Our current society has undergone a transformation in relation to the amount of time spent on work, according to Gull. One hundred years ago, people worked twice as much at jobs as they do today. In the future, we may work even less than we do now.

Gull listed sabbaticals and grants as possible solutions for the future of work. Gull says that instead of 50 percent of the population working to support the other 50 percent, we should be and probably will be working at jobs less in the future.

Through sabbaticals and grants, workers will work for six months of the year and then take six months off to work on personal projects. This would allow all to work and earn a living with the minimum number of jobs Gull reports to be available in the future.

Gull has co-produced a ten part public television series on The Center for New Work and is currently at work on a book entitled, "Philosophy, Work and Freedom" which will deal with the transformation of work, past, present, and future.

## Lake Michigan Program Numbers on Increase

The Siena Heights degree-completion program at Lake Michigan College in Benton Harbor has seen an increase in enrollment this fall, according to program director Deb Carter.

This increase is attributable to a split summer session and more visibility among businesses, among Lake Michigan College graduates and in the community in general, Carter thinks.

"We're seeing the people who came to us a couple years ago with some college credit, but still needing some of the basics, now ready to complete their degrees," she said.

"At the initial contact, they realized they weren't quite ready for our program, went back and got the necessary credits at Lake Michigan College, and now are ready to get their baccalaureate degrees."

There are 84 people enrolled in the Siena Heights program, about double from 1987. This summer about 90 people took classes from Siena Heights compared to 37 last year. Siena Heights has graduated 66 people from the Lake Michigan program which is in its sixth year.

Alum of that program are working to organize a Siena Heights College Alumni Chapter. Anyone interested in helping with the organization can contact Joy Tiefenbach, '87, at 616-926-2703.



Assistant Philosophy Professor Mark Schersten talks with Richard Gull after an Aquinas Forum.

## Egan Play Produced for Siena Opener

Theatre Siena spent opening night of the 1988-89 season experiencing a multi-ethnic, cross-generational hope for success with "Black Pavane," a play written by Siena Heights alumna Jacqueline Egan and co-produced by the Ann Arbor Repertory Theatre.

Three evening performances, along with a special school matinee showing, were held in Francoeur Theatre on campus. In conjunction with the University of Michigan Black Entertainment Series, the cast also performed a special showing in Ann Arbor at the University of Michigan.

Theatre Siena co-produced "Black Pavane" with the Ann Arbor Repertory Theatre, a small professional company. The Ann Arbor Repertory Theatre's mission is to involve multi-ethnic casts and staff members of all ages in all facets of production.

Many Siena Heights students participated in different aspects of the production. Students performed the tasks of the production and running crews, and several joined the acting company. Sophomore Ann Gorney, mathematics major, had a great experience acting in the play. "I learned so much from the Repertory actors. The audiences gave mostly good responses to the acting too."

The play's author is Siena Heights alumna Jacqueline Egan. Egan is an Adrian native and a 1947 alumna of Siena Heights. "It's really a thrill to see your work performed at your alma mater."

Teaching for several years, Egan transferred from a teaching job in an affluent New Jersey town to the New York Public School System. In a way, she wrote the play to help herself deal with those experiences.

"Black Pavane" is the real-world story of Lorraine, a Black high school student in the South Bronx, who wants to become a professional ballet dancer.

She needs to win the support of her mother, boyfriend, and dance instructor. The play dramatizes Lorraine's attempts to overcome all obstacles on the way to her dream. Theatre professional Mary L. Pettit directed "Black Pavane." Producer was Simone Juda Press, Siena Heights Associate English Professor and Ann Arbor Repertory Theatre Artistic Director. Siena instructor Doug Miller was Technical Director and Scene and Lighting Director. Assistant Communication Art Professor Trudy McSorley was Production Supervisor. Assistant Art Professor Chris Reising designed costumes. Senior Rodney Terwilliger designed makeup. Original music for the production was written by well-known jazz artist Morris Lawrence, Jr.

## Spina Exhibits at Siena This Fall

Pulitzer-Prize winning photographer Tony Spina exhibited a selection of photographs at the college this fall. Along with the two-week-long show, Spina hosted a slide show and lecture after a reception honoring the photojournalist. The slide show, which lasted approximately thirty minutes, utilized three

projectors and covered many years of Spina's work.

At the reception, Spina quietly began to give a personal explanation of each photograph to Siena President Sister Cathleen Real. With each photograph and anecdote, more people joined the travelling story. At the last photo, a mass of over thirty people stood awed by the amazing accounts. Then, Spina politely revealed again the narratives of those first photos that those late in joining the crowd missed.

According to Spina, his success as a photojournalist is his insistence upon the truth. If you use a photo out of context, you will not be trusted. "I always tell the truth in my photographs."

Last May, Spina was one of three honored at Siena's Commencement with a Doctor of Humane Letters Degree.

Along with his position as chief photographer at the *Detroit Free Press*, Spina is also special assistant to the managing editor of the paper. Recently, Spina published a book illustrating his four decades of photography at the *Free Press*. He has authored six other books.

As a most distinguished photojournalist, Spina has received over 450 national and international honors and awards for his photography. In 1968 Spina received the Pulitzer Prize for his coverage of the Detroit riots. He has also received honors from such groups as the National Press Photographers Association and the Overseas Press Club.

Spina's exhibitions have been worldwide, and his photographs of the Vatican are especially well known. He has photographed several popes and presidents.

## Dreams and Goals Convocation Message

Dreams and attaining goals were the messages in a motivational speech during the annual Fall Convocation at Siena Heights College.

Michigan Department of Education Office of Minority Equity Director Earl Nelson challenged students to realize dreams during their educational trek and career aspirations.

Nelson told the audience a story about a conversation he had with his teenage daughter.

"She told me one day that she dreams of being in television. So I asked her, 'What part?' and she responded by saying, 'All of it,'" Nelson joked. "I told her there were some things she needed to do. One, refine your dream. Don't put anything on your agenda to keep you from realizing your dream."

Nelson, who has also been a member of the Michigan State House of Representatives and the State Senate, spoke about the difference of "doing well and doing good."

"While you are in your chosen field and doing well, go back and help someone by doing some good...put back more than you take.

"Hold fast to the faith we have. So many things are real in our lives, but we can't see them. For instance, we see eyes but not vision. We can see heart, but not love. We see living, but we can't see life."



Several students take time to talk with Convocation speaker Earl Nelson from the Michigan Department of Education at the reception following the ceremony.

Nelson summed up his speech by reminding the students to, "create a vision, create a dream, put back more than you take and hold onto the faith that you have."

Prior to Nelson's speech, Father David Van Horn was recognized by the Siena community for winning the 1988 CASE Michigan Professor of the Year award. Father Van Horn told the audience how special a place Siena Heights College is.

# 25th Year Celebration Brings Back Many

By Mary U. Hellner

“Did your grandchildren enjoy themselves this summer?” the spectator questioned at the Child Drama production of *The Tales of Hans Christian Andersen* last July. The proud grandmother quipped, “Well, they worked hard!”

What activities filled those scorching summer days for the children participating in the 25th Anniversary Celebration of Children’s Drama at Siena Heights College?

Along with the many classes made available, the program coordinators put together an eventful summer featuring receptions, a Drama Fair, performances in area parks and a visit from the program’s founder, Sister Therese Craig.

Two weeks after the opening festivities, the children entertained and educated guests at a two-day drama fair. Parents and fair attendees stepped from the ordinary outside world into a refreshing vital environment with activities such as word dancing, character portrayals and sensory perception tests.

For a week and a half in July, some of the drama students presented a play about Lenawee County’s history to kids at playgrounds and to folks in area nursing homes. The troupe travelled to area playgrounds and facilities such as Maria Hall on the Dominican grounds, Adrian Health Care Facility and Tecumseh Public Library. The play consisted of several skits from different time periods in Lenawee’s history.

The production of *The Tales of Hans Christian Andersen* led to the grand finale day. The drama participants put on an energetic performance which incorporated skills learned during various drama classes. The performers received their scripts only two weeks before the production and were able to use their skills to bring the audience to a standing ovation.

After the final performance of the narratives, child drama past and present participants attended a special awards ceremony and a picnic. With balloons, hot dogs, and friends, students and their families brought to a close the summer jubilee.

Cousins Matthew Roney ’77 and Grace Dowling Afridi ’74 returned to their alma mater for the summer program reunion. When Afridi was a senior at Siena, her theatre major cousin Roney got her interested in an introductory theatre class. She then became involved in the drama troupe and participated in some productions.

“Coming back to Siena brings back a lot of memories. Much about the program is the same. I missed seeing the behind the scenes of the production though.”

At the end of the production, past participants were called to stand on stage with the *Tales* cast. Afridi acknowledged, “It was nice to be on stage again; it felt like one big family.”

Another program graduate who attended the summer production and celebration was Barbara Karle ’75. Karle had a dual reason for attending. Along with attending a reunion, she watched her nephew Jason Kopp perform in the production.

After commenting on the program expansion, Karle noted, “the creative drama classes have helped me in my career now.” Karle teaches at Grosse Pointe Academy in Grosse Pointe, Michigan.

According to Sister Therese Craig, the Child Drama/Children’s Theatre program has grown in leaps and bounds.

“Thousands of children have reaped the harvest of the program’s three-pronged effect: child production, creative drama classes and travelling troupe,” she said.



Students in the summer theatre program performing the “Ugly Duckling,” part of the finishing play, “The Tales of Hans Christian Andersen.” Below are Matthew Roney, ’77, Program Founder Sr. Therese Craig, and Grace Dowling, ’74.



Comparing this silver anniversary year with that first summer in 1963, Sr. Therese notes that “the program still builds the delicate egos of those with small confidences.”

Younger children, afraid to be on stage, watch and learn from the older, more experienced child actors. The shy build their confidence and self-esteem.

Thirteen-year-old Carey Betz exudes that energy when asked about the Child Drama Program. Involved in the program for two years, Carey has been able “to meet a lot of new people. The different plays have added to my experience and confidence,” she said noting that she has learned the ins and outs of drama.

In the summer of 1963, Sr. Therese founded the Child Drama program with a teacher’s course in the teaching of creative drama. In 1965, the program expanded with an after school class for kids. And in 1966, productions were added to the children’s schedules.

When asked about any outstanding plays, Sr. Therese remembered one in 1976 to celebrate the bicentennial. The youngsters became revolutionary figures. One difference with this play was that the audience was participatory. They moved from room to room in the Performing Arts Center along with the actors. The audience was greeted in the lobby with the Boston Tea Party. A classroom was Valley Forge and a hallway was Betsy Ross’ home.

When asked if there is anything that pleased her about the program, Sr. Therese acknowledged the use of partial costumes on stage. This demonstrates to children that they can storytell at home or anywhere without needing elaborate props and costumes. They can learn to be creative with minimal external stimuli. They can imagine.

Currently, Sr. Therese is a full professor in secondary education at the University of Alberta, Canada. She believes in the discovery method of teaching and in the relationship of drama to teaching.

Staff members for the summer celebration included Trudy McSorley, Julieanne Dolan Miller, Marilyn Senac, Jan Wise, Douglas Marquis, Douglas Miller, Rodney Terwilliger, and Jean Reed. ❧

# Summer Enrichment Program Offers Hispanics Bridge Courses

By Mary U. Hellner

Students in the Siena Heights College Summer Enrichment Program combined a lot of hard work with a good deal of exposure to have a successful bridge experience into college.

The program, which was part of an \$87,000 4-S grant from the Michigan Department of Education, revealed and bridged the gap between high school and work to college for traditional and adult students. Classes exposed students to their future educational experiences, and lecturers exposed students to future career possibilities.

Although the college offered many classes, most students concentrated in English and math. Some students chose to attend other classes such as Introduction to DataBase III, Word Perfect, Lotus 123, Speech, Office Administration, Stress Management, Logic and Microeconomics. Two more specific courses focused on the adjustment of college students. While the traditional-aged students attended the Decisions and Dilemmas course, the adult

students addressed pertinent issues in the Adult Pro Seminar.

Academic Advisor Maria Gonzalez aided students with their academic schedules. According to Gonzalez, the students' academic backgrounds aided in the choice of summer classes. Primarily, advising stressed the basics. Program participants earned up to seven semester hours of college credit for taking part in the program that lasted from June to August.

Enforcing a strong foundation, summer classes offered a headstart for the fall semester. As a student returning to college, Debora Tabarez felt "rusty in the basics." The summer classes prepared Debora for the rigors of a full schedule in the fall. The summer was a stepping stone back into formal education. Looking forward to the fall, Debora appreciated the excellent opportunity that the orientation provided. "The bonding that took place over the summer was helpful in the fall. I didn't feel as lost as I might have felt otherwise."

Giving students the opportunity to experience the college campus atmosphere was another important function of the program. The Siena Heights atmosphere is especially important to the traditional student. Entering college for the first time, eighteen-year-old Arianna Barrera was relieved for the chance to prepare.

"Discovering where to go and what to see were not the only advantages." According to Arianna, she had an upper hand on adapting to the college lifestyle. When the fall classes began, Arianna was already adjusted to the schedule of study, classes, work and social life. She had refined her study skills to the college level. Arianna also worked this summer in Benincasa Dining Hall. Arianna believes that working is important.

"Besides getting to know more people at the college, I learned to budget my time."

Arianna was also able to adjust her career aspirations. With a preview of her next four

years, Arianna was able to narrow down her career choices.

To promote the students' awareness on career possibilities, five lectures were scheduled. Lisa Gonzalez spoke about careers in retail sales and marketing. She is a representative of Nieman-Marcus in Los Angeles. Elva Revilla spoke about the possibilities for Hispanics in civil service. Elva is Assistant to the Governor of Michigan.

Also speaking was Michigan's Assistant Attorney General Tonatzin Alfaro Garcia who informed the students about careers in law and the value of goal setting. Educational Consultant Dr. Michael Garcia reflected on the importance of nurturing a person's intelligence. At the final lecture, Sister Juanita Flores addressed the opportunities in bilingual education. Flores is a Supervisor in the Detroit Public Schools. The lectures were planned to be motivational and to provide role models for the students.

To aid the non-traditional student, money was provided for child care for those needing and choosing to accept the funds. Summer Bridge students Reynaldo and Alisa Mendez took advantage of the child care offered. As a young married couple with two children, the support of child care really came in handy.

According to Reynaldo, the child care was "very useful" and "very needed." The money for child care eased the couple's juggling family, work and college classes. Both Reynaldo and Alisa are full-time students at the college.

Thirty students from the Enrichment Program are currently enrolled at Siena Heights. Seventy percent of those who participated in the summer program proceeded into the fall semester. Twenty-six of those thirty students are full-time with four part time students. Five more are planning to attend the college starting in January.

Of the 43 students who were enrolled in the program, fifteen were in college for the first time. Sixteen were re-admitted to college, and three were transferred from other colleges. Nine students were enrolled at the college during the previous semester.

This program was made possible by the Michigan Department of Education, Office of Minority Equity awarded the \$87,992 Select Student Support Services Grant to the college. With the money, the college strives to recruit and retain the number of Hispanic students in attendance at the college.

The college's goal is to reach an Hispanic attendance/enrollment of 12 percent by 1991. This increasing enrollment is to prepare better the college for the 21st century when one in three Americans will be minority. Currently, there is an Hispanic enrollment of 5.3 percent.



Amelia Skeels, Deborah Bosquez and Reynaldo Mendez during a Summer Enrichment Program class.

# Leadership Program Focuses on Alumni

Leadership comes in all forms and is practiced in many different arenas, students and alumni attending the fall 1988 Siena Heights Innovative Excellence Leadership Development (SHIELD) Conference learned.

Leadership development conferences have long been a part of Siena's programs, and this year's redesigned SHIELD program featured a tie-in to alumni weekend and the first ever presentation of the SHIELD Alumni Award for Excellence.

The new focus of the goals of SHIELD include becoming familiar with theories and concepts of leadership, applying current theories within concrete experiences, the acquisition of technical and interpersonal skills, and dealing with questions of ethics, morality and the common good in relation to leadership. These goals will be accomplished through workshops, conferences and projects held during the academic year.

The conference portion of SHIELD is offered three times a year. One-day seminars address specific areas of leadership development. "What is Leadership," the fall conference was offered in conjunction with Alumni Weekend. "Global/Local Perspectives" is the February topic and "Leadership Transition" runs in March.

October's "What Is Leadership," coinciding with Alumni Weekend, called on alumni to provide their insights into leadership and to tell how their skills related to their time at the college.

Diane Bailey, '85, told students of her role with the United Foundation in Detroit where she works as the coordinator of volunteer services.

"Being a volunteer is giving of your time and talent to a worthwhile cause," she said.

Bailey told students that a volunteer effort may be a bold demonstration of leadership. It can also help to move a person in a career.

"You can help a program to expand its outlook, its reach, create new opportunities. You can also learn a lot yourself and meet important people. A lot of networking goes on among volunteers," she said.




Students at the leadership conference discuss what type of personalities they have after taking the Myers-Briggs test. From left Amy Barbre, Jennifer Rico and Randy Harmon.

Eileen Rice, O.P., '68 addressed the afternoon session of SHIELD. She administered the Myers-Briggs personality inventory and discussed it in terms of leadership styles.

In addition to the alumni speakers and Alumni Panel, small group discussions with alumni were also part of the conference. Following Bailey's presentation, students and alumni shared their views and ideas of leadership and what a leader is. An Alumni Panel composed of Bailey, Paula Robinson, '85, and Sheila Dwyer Schwartz, '84, discussed their impressions of the "real world" and what they've learned in their experiences at work and home.

Students will be recognized for excellence in leadership at Siena Heights by the way they apply their skills. There are gold, silver and bronze levels of recognition, and participating students must meet specific criteria for these awards.

A new award, the SHIELD of Excellence Alumni Award, will go annually to an alumni who displays outstanding leadership qualities. This year's recipient was Eileen Rice who was cited for her leadership in the program and in helping students to realize their potential. 

## College, Weber Sponsor Series

A series on gender roles in the 1980s was presented this fall by Siena Heights College and co-sponsored by the Adrian Dominican Sisters.


The series featured three topics: "Gender Roles as a Peace Issue," "The History of Ideas about Women," and "Women Mystics: The Function of Passion." Another topic that was

co-sponsored by the two groups was "Election '88: A Moral Decision."

"Gender Roles as a Peace Issue" featured a panel discussion by Siena Heights College faculty and students. The panel had representation from many different groups and featured discussion on how the changing gender roles affect children, minorities, and families. The panel also explored how gender roles are changing in contemporary society and how the changes can promote peace.

"The History of Ideas about Women" explored ideas about women throughout history and how those ideas impacted on

women today, while "Women Mystics..." also took a historical look at women and spirituality.

"Election '88: A Moral Decision" examined the issues within the 1988 election from a Christian point of view. That discussion was presented by Groundwork for a Just World, a Catholic lobby for peace and justice. 

# Four Join Siena Heights Board

**F**our have joined the Siena Heights College Board of Trustees. Retired Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corporation Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer George A. Ferris has joined the college board as has University of Michigan Accounting Professor Carleton H. Griffin, Adrian Dominican Congregation Treasurer Sister Ann Romayne Fallon, O.P., and Beginning Experiences Executive Director Tarianne DeYonker, O.P., of Detroit.

Ferris left retirement from Ford Motor Company in 1985 to rebuild the bankrupt Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corporation to \$100 million a year profitability when he left the helm in 1987. The company is the nation's seventh largest fully integrated steelmaker.

Ferris holds earned degrees from Wayne State University and Henry Ford Community College. He holds honorary doctorate degrees from Siena Heights and Franciscan University. He now operates his own consulting firm and makes his home in Millersburg, Michigan.



George A. Ferris



New trustees from left: Carleton Griffin, Tarianne DeYonker and Sr. Ann Fallon.

Griffin began career in accounting with the firm of Touche Ross & Co. in 1955 as a member of the audit staff in the company's Detroit office. He left the company as a senior partner to join the faculty at The University of Michigan, his alma mater.

Griffin has a Juris Doctor, a Master of Business Administration and a Bachelor of Business Administration from The University of Michigan. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants.

Fallon is Treasurer of the Adrian Dominican Congregation in Adrian, a position she has held since July. She came to the Adrian campus after serving as President of Regina Dominican High School in Wilmette, Illinois. She moved to that position in 1983 after serving as Principal for six years.

Fallon has a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Education in Administration and Supervision from Barry University and has done post-graduate work at Loyola University in Chicago, the University of Dayton and the International Graduate School of Education in Denver.

DeYonker is the Executive Director for the worldwide ministry of Beginning Experiences which assists separated, divorced and widowed persons to work through their loss of a marital relationship. She has traveled throughout the United States and oversees training people who run these programs.

DeYonker has her undergraduate degree from Siena Heights and has a Master of Social Work from the University of Michigan School of Social Work.

## Van Horn Honored

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education system until he came to teach summer school at Siena Heights in 1968.

"I've found it a very nurturing atmosphere. There are deep feminine roots here that really spill over into the mind set of the faculty. It causes me to think about what I'm really doing to the person I'm instructing," he noted.

Fr. Van Horn, who is a scholar on the works of St. Catherine of Siena, having read her 400 letters in original Italian, began his teaching career at St. Joseph's College in Rensselaer, Indiana. He was a dormitory director there where he became a mentor for many of his students as well. His caring relationships with his students filter into his senior core curriculum where he focuses entirely on the family.

"This is where the priest in me comes out," he says of his senior core experience. "I

find senior core such an interesting experience, because I get to teach people with majors other than art. This is when I can see that everyone doesn't think the way I think."

Fr. Van Horn's art is just as warm as his teaching. His sculptures in wood and ceramic flow beautifully and speak to the nature in which he does his creating. He creates his pieces, which vary in size, outdoors through all seasons. Even winter?

"It just means you can create for shorter periods of time before you get cold," he says.

He tries to finish five pieces of art per year and spends about 1,000 hours at his trade.

With no television or telephone, Van Horn relishes his privacy and solitude. He lives on a lake and keeps a garden and says he is a "born hermit."

Art and society's perception of art has changed over the years, Van Horn relates.

Remembering back to the 1960s, almost any piece of art was acceptable everywhere. There was no shock value. Now, he relates, there is a shock factor. There is a conservatism that steers the way art is interpreted, he says.

Fr. Van Horn studied for the priesthood at St. Charles Seminary. He received his BFA from the Dayton Art Institute, studied the chemistry of ceramic glazes in Faenza, Italy, on a Fullbright Scholarship, and received a MFA from the Chicago Art Institute.

As for his future, Van Horn sees himself continuing as a teacher until it's time to retire. He comments that he always wants to be around young people and continue to use his mind, adding that his mother is now 86 and continues to be creative by writing.

"I like it here, and I think I'm doing what I am best at. I will enjoy watching the college grow."

(Editor's note: An oversight by the Public Relations Department found the last issue of Reflections not carrying notice of the resignation of **Sister Joan Baustian**, Assistant Professor of General Studies. We're sorry for this omission.)

**S**r. Joan was with the college for the past 10 years making her home in the General Studies Division. She was instrumental in developing the critical reading program at the college and also instrumental in the special services program, especially developing the tutoring services.

Early in her career here, she wrote the program for the English as a Second Language Institute. She also oversaw the reading laboratory. Sr. Joan was more than just a reading instructor at the college, she was eager to counsel students in skill and personal development. During her last year, she taught senior core, which she found "truly enlightening."

Sr. Joan raised the community's consciousness in the areas of peace and justice and in the need to educate minorities and single parents.

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The English Department sponsored three lectures during the fall semester. **Susan Hawkins**, Professor at Oakland University, spoke on Female Sleuths. **Don Bialostosky**, English Professor at the University of Toledo, presented "Wordsworth's Dialogic Art" and three members of Siena's English Department held a panel discussion. **Mary Louise Hall, O.P.**, **Dan McVeigh**, and **Pat Schnapp, R.S.M.** shared their views, professional interests and valuable texts.

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The college's Music Department presented three First Sunday Music Series, on the first Sundays



A delegation of Japanese people from Moriyama, Adrian's sister city, toured the city this past summer and stopped at Siena Heights. The delegation is pictured with Admissions Counselor Michelle Hellner McClure, '86.

of October, November, and December. In November, an Honors Recital was held. **Freetime Jazz Ensemble** and **Synthesizer Ensemble** performed in mid-November. In December, a Choral Concert was held in Rosary Chapel. The annual Madrigal Dinner capped off the semester.

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Five Aquinas Forums were presented. **Irene Butter** shared her experiences as a survivor of the Holocaust (related story on page 5). **Richard Gull**, Professor of Philosophy at the University of Michigan-Flint, spoke on the future of work (related story on page 6). **Steven Tigner** gave an illustrated talk entitled "The Cultivation of Wonder." **Dr. Joyce Hendricks** of Central Michigan University spoke on "Women in the Work Force" and Siena instructors **David Chelminski** and **Pat Schnapp** presented "1000 years of Christianity in Russia."

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Theatre Siena produced two plays. "Black Pavane" and "Killing of Sister George." "Black Pavane" was co-produced with

the Ann Arbor Repertory Theatre. The author of "Black Pavane" is Siena Alumna **Jacqueline Egan**. **Bob Hawley** directed the November production of "Killing of Sister George."

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**Eileen Rice, O.P.**, Alumni Board President, was the recipient of the SHIELD of Excellence awarded at the October SHIELD Leadership Conference. Sr. Eileen earned the award for her outstanding leadership and help with the leadership program at the college.

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**Tim Leonard** participated in a summer seminar sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities. The seminar entitled "Russia and Its Borderlands" was held at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. Leonard's research focused on Soviet foreign policy and the Islamic Resurgence.

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Assistant Professor of Religious Studies **Susan Conley Weeks** will be participating in "Leadership for

the New Century" a national twelve-month leadership training program.

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**David Calonne**, Assistant Professor of English, presented his essay "Saroyan Among the Soviets" at a conference sponsored by the Center for Soviet and Eastern European Studies at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. An international group of writers and scholars explored current and historical issues facing Soviet Armenia. Calonne addressed literary aspects of these issues. His major focus was William Saroyan and his attitudes about Communism in his writing.

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**Annita Cantu**, Director of the Siena Heights College Upward Bound Program, was honored at a special recognition dinner in September in Lansing. **Governor James Blanchard** awarded her for her many contributions toward an enhanced quality of life in the State of Michigan and her dedication to the Michigan Hispanic Community.

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**Spencer Bennett**, Associate Professor of History/Religious Studies, wrote the feature article for the August issue of *Musical Heritage Review*. The story features the record release of Benny Carter's "Central City Sketches."

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Dean of Students **Fred Dobens** spoke at the Michigan ACE National Identification Program's annual conference at Michigan State University. He spoke on the leadership opportunities for women in student affairs in relation to private higher education.

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Admissions Associate **Dionardo Pizana** and Academic Advisor

**Maria Gonzalez** appeared on the June 26th edition of "Minority Report," an interview program with **Bill Harris** of Channel 13 in Toledo. The pair discussed the Hispanic student recruitment and retention initiative at the college.

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**Connie Morse**, head of Library Circulation at the college, co-presented a Pre-Conference Workshop at Michigan Library Association's Annual Conference in Detroit. The workshop topic was orientation, training, and evaluation of Student Assistants and Public Library Pages.

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**Scott Shepherd, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor of Counselor Education at Siena Heights and Director of Training at Flower Hospital in Sylvania, Ohio, has written "Survival Handbook for the Newly Recovering." The 58-page booklet is a basic resource for anyone in the first stages of the journey toward recovery.

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Siena Heights Director of Skill Development and Special Services and Associate Professor of General Studies **Marianne Mazur-Stewart** has co-authored an article published in the *Journal of Reading Behavior*. The article is "The Effects of the Vocabulary Overview Guide on Vocabulary Comprehension and Retention."

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Graduate Studies Director **Dr. Miriam Stimson** lectured on psychoneurotransmitters last summer. She presented "The New Kid on the Block in Substance Abuse: Psychoneuro-Immunology" at an in-service training session scheduled by the South Central Michigan Substance Abuse Commission.

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Siena Heights Assistant Management Professor **Jack Bologna** conducted a workshop on "Auditing Techniques to Detect Fraud" for the University of Delaware. Bologna explained fraud

auditing, several types of fraud and the use of simple audit techniques to aid in the investigation and detection of the problem.

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**Dan McVeigh**, Assistant Professor of English, wrote an account of the Jacobs family. The Jacobs live in Adrian and have long been associated with Siena Heights. The Jacobs run Jacobs' Flying Service and manage the Lenawee County Airport. The article was used at the Michigan Aviation Association's 10th Commemorative Air Tour. Helen and Melissa Jacobs are both Siena Heights graduates.

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The Siena Heights College **Student Senate** and **Sigma Kappa Alpha Honor Society** sponsored two political debates. 40th District Representative **Tim Walberg** and his challenger, **Adrian Mayor Jim Berryman** were sponsored by the Senate. Sigma Kappa Alpha sponsored Circuit Judge **Kenneth Glaser** and his opponent **Attorney Henry Newlin**.

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Corporate and Foundation Relations Director **Karen Glaser** received "The Upward Bound Outstanding Service Award" at the 15th celebration of the Upward Bound Program in July.



Students in the summer math computer class learning how to operate lego toys by using the computers.



Switchboard Operator **Nina Thompson** and Development Office Secretary **Mary Ann Edmonson** during Thompson's retirement party. She left her post after serving in that position since 1975.

**Glaser**, former Upward Bound Director at Siena, was recognized for 15 years of dedication to TRIO Programs and to providing equal opportunities for youth.

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Siena Heights hosted a Teacher-Training Institute for elementary and middle school math and science teachers. The institute helped teachers develop skills in collaborative teaching and learn creative problem solving. The institute was made possible through a grant from the Michigan Department of Education, Higher Education Management Services Divisions. Teachers put their new skills to

work by instructing students at the college's annual computer camp.

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Two new faculty members and one staff person have taken positions at the college.

**Marsha Bagley** is teaching business courses under the Management Division at the college. Bagley has taught at Missouri Western State College and Western Illinois. She has a bachelor's degree in English and a master's in Business.

**Dr. Paul Budde** is now an instructor in the Mathematics Department. He has worked at the Academy for Educational Development, where he was Business and Logistics Manager of a \$6 million project of the United States Agency for International Development to improve management education in Peru. Budde obtained his bachelor's degree in Mathematics from the University of Michigan and his Ph.D. in Mathematics from the University of California-Berkeley.

**Jewel Malarney**, a 1988 graduate of Siena, has been hired as the college's Coordinator of Cooperative Education and Career Planning programs. Malarney will work to expand the college's co-op and internship programs as well as assist students in making career planning decisions.

# Alumni Weekend '88



Class of 1933: Sr. Agnes Cecile Prendergast.



Class of 1948: Standing from left: Frances Nowakowski, Ruth Schieltz, Dorothy Sullivan, Mary Duggan-Cassabon, Rosemary Dorr. Seated from left: Lorraine Schwartz, Evelyn Capoun, Katherine Suydam, Lydia Hagamann.



Class of 1953: Rosaleen Muzillo Zimmer, Jane Korte Waldo.



Class of 1958: Joy Duchon, Judith Lavelle.



Class of 1963: Standing: Fran Merda, Rosemary Hayes, Gloria Riblet. Seated: Julie Opalek, Joanne Gerst, Barbara Siebaldt, Rosemary Meyers.



Class of 1968: Ruth Dalton Scherger, Barbara Smith, Elaine Missing.



Class of 1973: Peggy Aniol, Rosann Perry, Ceal Schwatz, Roger Scherger.



Class of 1978: Barbara Warner, Ruth Gerdeman-Seggerson, Danita Binkowski.



Class of 1983: Standing: Michael Morgan, Claire Meli. Seated: Gary Gill, Jim Schwartz, Pam Pierson Schwartz, Vita Jo Sinacori.



Past Presidents attending Friday dinner, standing from left: Art Erbskorn, '83; Rosaleen Muzillo Zimmer, '57; Peggy McCaffrey, '73; Jane Korte Waldo, '53. Seated: Ceal Schwartz, '73; Majorie Nunn Kluck, '44; Gayle Hunt Van Havel, '76.



Guests of alumnae during reception at President's House.

## Alumni Weekend Reunites Classmates

**M**ore than 375 people returned to Siena Heights for the 1988 alumni weekend celebration, October 21, 22 and 23.

Alumni Weekend featured many festivities including individual receptions for many different divisions, organizations and eras, as well as the traditional anniversary luncheon, mass, president's reception awards banquet and annual business meeting.

A new feature this year was a fun run co-sponsored by the Siena Heights Alumni Association, The United Way, General Motors, *The Daily Telegram* and Adrian College. Mini courses about Siena Heights were also held: one each on the past, present and future of the college. And, a Past-President's dinner to honor past presidents and current board members was held and brought back several alumni association presidents.

"We were thrilled with the attendance this year, and look forward to planning another successful get together for 1989," said Development Associate for Alumni, Sheila Dwyer Schwartz, '84.

Receiving awards during this year's banquet were Frances Bock Nowakowski, '48, Outstanding Alumni Award; Mary Jean Klebba, '85, Recent Alumni Award; Therese Roekle, '68, St. Dominic Award and Bill Kressbach, '72, Sr. Ann Joachim Award.

Nowakowski, of Emmett, has held many posts in the education field including that of teaching high school algebra, trigonometry and geometry. She and her husband Al, are the parents of nine children,

all of whom have pursued higher education. She celebrated her 40th class anniversary this year as well as her 40th wedding anniversary.

Klebba, of Redford, is the first woman to receive the Recent Alumni Award and the first Southfield Center graduate to be awarded. Klebba is a Nurse Clinician - Certified Diabetes Educator through Mount Carmel Mercy Hospital in Detroit. She and her husband Gerard are the parents of four children.

Roekle, of Imlay City, is currently Principal at Borland Road Elementary School in Imlay City. She has been a teacher of elementary school students in Tecumseh and is involved in many community activities.

Kressbach, of Adrian, has been active with the American Cancer Foundation in Lenawee County organizing an "I Can Cope" class for people with and people involved with others who have cancer. He was diagnosed to have cancer several years ago, but has overcome the disease. He and his wife Charlee have two children.

Also recognized at the banquet were several of the oldest alumnae who received a special invitation to participate in this year's event, and Sr. Helen Duggan, Sr. Irene Miller and Audrey Parker for their dedication to the Siena Heights history project.

Dates for alumni weekend '89 have been set, according to Schwartz. The weekend is scheduled for October 27, 28 and 29.

"Our focus next year will be on alums who attended Siena Heights, but did not graduate. We would like to hear from people who know of these alums associated with the college who might enjoy getting an invitation to the weekend."



Alumni and students enjoy the annual Las Vegas night held on Saturday during alumni weekend.



Two of several alumnae present from graduating classes in the late 20s and early 30s Marie Henzie McNaulty, '29 and Laura Hefferan Shepard, '29.

## A Message From the Alumni Association President

Our Alumni Association is in the midst of a very exciting and productive time. 1988 was filled with the energy of new projects, renewed commitment to traditional activities, and a strong commitment to a common and vibrant future.

1989 will continue in this same vein. On the agenda for the coming year are many exciting projects. Let me describe just a few of them.



Sr. Eileen Rice, O.P.

### \* Alumni Coupon Booklet

As you know from the map indicating the location of our alums, we are everywhere! During the coming year those of you who own or operate businesses or services will have an opportunity to advertise in a coupon booklet which will let alums find and meet you when they are in your geographic area. It could be a wonderful opportunity for networking.

### \* Alumni Brochure

As our alumni association has become stronger during the past few years, we have realized that we need to work even harder to give our new graduates more information about the organization. To this end we are developing a brochure about the Siena Heights Alumni Association which will introduce new graduates to our activities for the purpose of encouraging them to become active members of our organization. A copy of that brochure will be sent to each of you for your own information.

### \* Associate Alums

Over the years there have been hundreds of individuals who have attended Siena for some period of time, but did not graduate from our college. However, in many instances, their time at Siena was still a very important part of their lives and losing contact with them has been a loss for both of us. During this coming year we will try to identify and add to our active mailing list as many of these individuals as possible. **You can be of great assistance here by sending to our Alumni Office the names and addresses of any former Siena students with whom you still have contact.**

### \* History of the College Project

In 1994 Siena will celebrate the 75th anniversary of its founding. To prepare for that special year we are beginning now to plan to produce a written history of the college. It will build on the wonderful work that Sr. Helen Duggan, Sr. Marie Irene Miller and Audrey Parker did on the "History of the Rooms" project and will include information from Sr. Jeanne Lefebvre's Oral History Project.

### \* Alumni Involvement in Association Activities

A final goal for this coming year is to increase the number and range of alums involved in the currently planned association's activities and to increase the number and range of ideas for alumni activities that are submitted to the Alumni Board by alums. We see as one of our very important functions serving as the midwives for these new ideas. **If you have any suggestions for projects or activities or ideas for the Board to consider, please send them to me or Sheila Dwyer Schwartz, our Alumni Director.** It's time for some new ideas — and you are the ones that have them!

We on the Alumni Board are looking forward to another exciting year. Your support of the goals described above and your new ideas will make it so!

Sincerely,

*Sister Eileen Rice, O.P.*

Sr. Eileen Rice, O.P.  
President  
National Alumni Association

## New Alumni Board Members Chosen

Several members have completed their terms with the Siena Heights College National Alumni Association Board while new members have joined and new officers have been elected.

Officers were installed during the annual business meeting of the board while those leaving the board were honored, both during Alumni Weekend '88.

Elected 1st Vice President of the board was Mark Lektzian, '84, 2nd Vice President, Paula Robinson, '85 and Corresponding Secretary, Diane Bailey, '85. Joining the board as directors are Dan Malley, '85 and Amy McElhone Neville, '86.

Those leaving the board are Susie Huff, '78, Past President Eileen Mays Green, '57, Corresponding Secretary Margaret Lawler Michael, '82, and Ellie Reamer Osborn, '84.

Others remaining on the board are Eileen Rice, O.P., '68, president, Michelle Hellner McClure, '86, recording secretary, Philip Abele, '79, treasurer, Sam Boswell, '82, Tony Martin, '83, and Tyrone Wilson, '84.



New Alumni Association Board members and officers pose with college President Sr. Cathleen Real. From left: corresponding Secretary Diane Bailey, '85; 2nd Vice President Paula Robinson, '85; President Sr. Eileen Rice, '68; Sr. Cathleen; 1st Vice President Mark Lektzian, '84 and Board Member Amy McElhone Neville, '86.

## Follow up and Corrections

Stories under this heading in future editions of *Reflections*, will be to follow up stories in previous magazines. This heading will also serve as the spot where corrections are made.

A follow up about Siena Heights alumna **Eula Walters** of San Francisco who was working to pass her bar exam when featured in the summer issue of *Reflections*. She reports she did not pass her bar exam but continues to study so that she can retake it in the future. In the story about Walters, she was incorrectly referred to at one point in the story as an anesthetist. She is in fact a nurse anesthetist and more properly a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist. She continues part time in that field.

**Alice Robie Resnick, '61**, was elected to the Supreme Court of Ohio last month in her campaign against Joyce George of Akron. Resnick leaves her post as a judge in the Lucas County Sixth District Court of Appeals, a position she has held since 1982. She garnered 53 percent of the Ohio vote for this position and is the first woman to serve on the high court since Florence Allen who was elected in 1928.

Although not featured recently in *Reflections*, **Barbara Dumouchelle** was elected to the State Board of Education in the November election as well. Dumouchelle returns to the post after a two-year absence when she lost her seat in the 1986 election. She served as president of the State Board of Education in 1981. She was top vote getter in the four candidate slate for two open seats on the board.

An error was made in the 1987-88 Annual Report of the college omitting the name of **Philomena Murray, '27** in the list of donors. Her name should have appeared in the memorial section: "In memory of Sr. Mary George Nolan, O.P." We regret the error.

## Annual Fund Events Set

Siena Heights College is hosting a series of annual fund events in different areas of the country to help inform alumni about the college today.

These events will be hosted by alumni for alumni and feature a presentation about the college and discussion with President Cathleen Real.

The events are scheduled to be held in Ann Arbor, Detroit, Flint, Benton Harbor, Jackson and Adrian, Michigan, Chicago, and Cleveland.

All alumni are invited to attend. If you are interested in hosting an annual fund event, please contact Sheila Dwyer Schwartz at (517) 263-0731, Ext. 230. In Michigan: 1-800-521-0009.

## Siena Alumna Honored With Two Awards

A 1976 alumna was doubly awarded this fall. Rosamaria Perez accepted the "Hispanic of the Year" award from the Hispanic Business Association and the "Counselor of the Year" award from the Lenawee County Counselor Association.



Rosamaria Perez

Rosamaria was selected by the Hispanic Business Association's nominating committee as one of two recipients this year. Rosamaria

shares the annual "Hispanic of the Year" award with Maria Ybarra Cleveland.

Education and educational opportunities are a main focus for Rosamaria. With two colleges in the area, Lenawee County residents have great opportunity to receive higher education. The proximity of college "opens a lot of doors for students, who can live at home, especially minority and disadvantaged students."

Many educational programs and support services have grown in the past years in Lenawee County. According to Rosamaria, one problem that high school students have is "not knowing how to get the right information." These opportunities available in the area need to be utilized.

"With the present economy and with closing factories, the population without education cannot go forth." Workers who need to change jobs need to reassess their goals and to add schooling to their lists. If the jobs aren't available, schools can help them. With the more technical and skilled age, education is a valued necessity.

Currently, Rosamaria works as a counselor at Adrian High School. She has also taught home economics at the school and at a junior high school in Texas.

After receiving her Bachelor of Science degree from Texas A & I University in 1961, Rosamaria graduated from Siena Heights in 1976 with her Master's degree in Guidance and Counseling. This year, she is attending the Graduate Student Counselor Academy at Eastern Michigan University.

Rosamaria's involvement comes from a wide range of activities. She is a member of Lenawee County Counselors and the local, state and national education associations.

Rosamaria also serves with the Eucharistic Ministry of St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Within Hispanic organizations, Rosamaria participates in the Hispanic Leadership Committee, the Hispanic Graduating Senior Committee, and the Hispanic Advisory Committee at Siena Heights, along with those advisory committees at Adrian College and Lenawee Vo-Tech.

The honoree has also participated in the task force for the high school dropout study and the State Superintendent's Task Force on Hispanic concerns.

Rosamaria resides in Adrian with her husband, Cleofas Perez, Jr., who is currently the International Sales Manager for Tecumseh Products International Division. They have four sons: one college graduate and three college students. Education is important to this family.

## Alumni Directories Available

The 1988 Siena Heights College Alumni Directory is completed and available for purchase through the college's Alumni Office.

The finished product is a comprehensive biographical directory which lists all known, living alumni alphabetically, geographically and by class year. Alumni were contacted for inclusion in this directory over the past six months.

Both softbound and hardbound copies of the directory are available through the Alumni Office. If you would like to obtain a directory, call the Alumni Office at (517) 263-0731, Ext. 230. In Michigan dial 1-800-521-0009.

## Search for "Lost" Alumni Continues

The search to update the alumni files at Siena Heights continues. Below are listed several names of alumni whose records are not complete at the college. If you know the whereabouts of any of these people, please use the enclosed

envelope to drop the information in the mail to the alumni office or call, (517) 263-0731, Ext. 230 or in Michigan, 1-800-521-0009. The next issue of *Reflections* will feature more names of lost alumni and the names of people who have been found through your efforts.

### Lost Alum List

**1944**  
Ila Anderson  
Mary Beriter  
Elizabeth Carr  
Melba Dominguez  
Elizabeth Espy  
Sr. Edmundine Hoffman, O.S.F.  
Mary Ann Kauffman  
Margaret Maddock  
Sr. Berigna Marczak, O.S.F.  
Sr. Clementine Nadolski, O.S.F.  
Virginia M. Nichols  
Sr. M. Laudina Paszkiewicz, O.S.F.

**1949**  
Sr. Mary Brigetta Burns, O.S.M.  
Mary Ellen Carey  
Sr. Mary Angelica Dombinski, O.S.F.  
Dorothy Jean Donaldson  
Virginia Donaldson  
Jeanne Cameron Gorham

Mary Cecilia Gray  
Audrey Marilee Hause  
Hazel J. Jones  
Sr. Mary Patrick McKeon, O.S.F.  
Sr. Mary Callista McNamara  
Kathleen Ann Peters  
Sr. Mary Bridget Rozowski, O.S.F.  
Dorothy Susan Sands  
Bonney Jean Saum  
Sr. Mary Celeste Schneider, R.S.M.  
Neroida Hernandez Terreforte  
Dorothy Marie Unze  
Lena Antcliff VanCamp  
Mary Alice VanWie

**1954**  
Sr. M. Patricia Cadogan (Columban)  
Maria Dinorah Carbonell  
Sr. Maureen Channell, O.P. (Akron)  
Matilde de la Cruz  
Vera P. Ford

Jaroslawa T. Gerulak  
Angelene Guidera  
Sr. Mary Solina Hicks, R.S.M.  
Ninfa M. Jimenez  
Sr. M. Magdalene Wroblewska, C.S.S.F.

**1959**  
Mary Ellen Burns  
Frances Emily Cooley  
Nola Church Elliot  
Marion Alice Flynn  
Sr. M. Pilar Garcia  
Jeanette Pearl Gerlach  
Anne Elizabeth Lloyd  
Maria Angelica Lopez

**1964**  
Sr. Angelica Carmen Arce, M.S.C.J.  
Sr. Joan Baptist de la Salle, M.S.C.J.

Sr. M. Regis Flannery, V.S.C.  
Sr. M. Francene Froncak, O.S.B.  
Judith Anne Hutchinson  
Sr. Mary Patrice Kerin, O.S.F.  
Mother John Chrysostom Krug, O.S.U.  
Enda Milagros Lebron  
Elizabeth Linehan  
Colleen Rose McCarthy  
Margaret Julianne Mertaugh  
Jeanne Ann Pagels  
Rebecca Ann Schutt  
Sr. M. Therese Shehan, O.P. (Lisieux)

**1969**  
Brother Edward Overstreet, C.S.C.  
Sr. Jean Salas, O.D.N.  
Sr. Olga Seliski, O.S.F.  
Kathryn M. Shultis  
Cathleen Ann Smith  
Martiza Amalia Herrera Tejeda

## Women's Soccer Falls Short of National Win

by Howard Salter

The Siena Heights College women's soccer team came within one victory of winning the NAIA soccer championship this November, as they finished third at the final four tournament played at Hardin-Simmons College in Texas.

No Saints' sports team had ever advanced as far as Doug Mello's troops in 1988. In the final regular season NAIA poll, the Saints were ranked as the top team in the country, but they still had to prove their worth in the NAIA playoffs.

Their title march began with a 5-0 victory over the University of Wisconsin at Green Bay. Next it was on to the Central Regional Tournament at Wilmington College in Ohio, where the Saints beat the University of Arkansas-Little Rock, 4-1, and the host school, 2-1, to advance to the final four.

In the national semifinals, the Saints came out on the short end of a 3-0 score against Hardin-Simmons. Their dreams of a national title went flying out the window. But showing the stuff that champions are made of, the Saints came back the next day to beat Berry College, GA, 3-2, in the consolation game. In that contest, the Saints trailed 2-0 at halftime, but rallied for three second half goals to post the win.

"It would have been wonderful to win the national championship, but I guess it wasn't

meant to be," Saints' coach Doug Mello said. "The team played great all year long and they have nothing to be ashamed of."

The Saints finished with a 23-2-3 record and return most of their key players for the 1989 season.

While the women booters were kicking their way to national recognition, their male counterparts were anything but chopped liver. Despite a mediocre 14-9-1 record, the Saints' men's soccer team won their third NAIA District 23 title in four years by beating Grand Rapids Baptist College. A convincing 4-1 win over Huntington College put the Saints in the NAIA Area 6 final against Tiffin University, where the Saints lost 2-1.

Head coach Doug Mello and four Saint players were honored by being named to the NAIA All-District 23 team. Andrew Crawford, who broke his own single season scoring record (23 goals and 10 assists) made the team for the fourth consecutive year; Ken Ferriera made the squad for the second time, while Jerome Harnden and Charlie Bello were first-time honorees.

Another very successful fall sports team was the women's cross country squad. The Saints qualified for the NAIA Nationals for the third straight season and finished 20th out of 36 teams...their highest finish ever. Leading the way were four runners who were named to the NAIA All-District 23 team: Teresa Padilla,

Margaret Martin, Jean Miller (for the second year in a row) and Athena Delles, who became the first SHC cross country runner to make the team for four consecutive years.

The men's cross country team had some bright moments during the season. Todd Taylor had an exceptional year, winning the Hope Invitational and the Siena Invitational, but at the district meet he passed out with less than a mile to go and missed out on qualifying for nationals. His teammate, Kevin Davis finished sixth at the district meet and besides being named all-district, qualified for the national meet, where he finished 86th out of 350 runners.

After a bleak start, the Saints' volleyball team rebounded to finish with a solid 14-13 record, including big district wins over Saginaw Valley State University and the University of Michigan-Dearborn. At one point during the season, coach Kathi Frank's team was 5-10.

"At mid-season we came together as a team and really played well," Frank said. "I was very proud of the way the team responded."

Two Saint players received all-district honors. Ann Bieri was named to the all-district second team and fellow co-captain, Heather Woodworth, earned all-district honorable mention status, along with being named to the academic all-district team. 🏆

## Alumni Basketball Game: Part of Weekend's Fun

An alumni basketball game once again drew spectators during this year's reunion weekend, with players from several different classes taking part in the event.

The basketball game was part of a jam-packed weekend of events for alumni who came back to campus to renew friendships. The game was a scrimmage among alumni who treated the crowd to a remembrance from the eras represented.

This game was just one of the athletic events scheduled for the weekend. A regular season women's volleyball game was also scheduled during the weekend as was an alumni baseball game, which was rained out. The sporting events during the Alumni Weekend will continue at future reunions.

The traditional matchup between alumni and the junior varsity men's team will be held in late January. This event brings back alumni who spend time with current students before and after the game to relate their experiences at Siena Heights. This match has been held for the past seven years and also draws spectators from the community. 🏀



The Alumni Basketball game was well-attended.

## DEATHS

The Siena community wishes to extend our deepest sympathy to the following:

The family of Constance Meredyk Hull, '66 on the death of her husband, Dennis D. Hull on January 12, 1988.

The Moore family on the death of Audrey M. Moore, '84, July 18, 1988.

The Carlton family on the death of Margaret Carlton, '85, May 4, 1988.

The family of Margaret Lawler Michael, '82 on the death of her daughter Carey Anne on August 11, 1988.

## MARRIAGES:

Congratulations and best wishes to the following couples on their marriage:

Cynthia Steiner '85 to Ronald Brown '86, in September, 1985.

Tamara Newell '87, to Steve A. Andrews on May 7, 1988.

Thomas Weber '88, to Lorraine on May 21, 1988.

Cassandra Jean Steffel '88, to Charles Cullip on June 11, 1988.

Kimberly McMullen '88, to Mark Valade '88, on June 4, 1988.

Laura Paul '86 to Mathew Schwartz '88, on July 9, 1988.

## NEW SAINTS

Congratulations to the following alumni on the birth of a child and a warm welcome to the new saints.

Cynthia (Steiner) '85 and Ronald Brown '86, a son, Alexander Vincent born July 6, 1988.

Sally (Bull) and Lawrence J. Sands, '78, a son, Jeffrey Langdon, born August 17, 1987.

Carolyn (Ortman) '79 and Tony Gonzalez '82, a son, Jordan Michael, April 29, 1988.

Jennifer (Fischer) '80 and Bobby Mitchell, a daughter, Jill Elizabeth born March 26, 1988.

Miriam (Yaroch) '80 and Paul V. Parrone, a daughter Bridget Ann, born May 1, 1988.

Kimberly (Smith) '82 and Timothy Whitcher, a daughter, Kristina Ann, born February 4, 1988.

Barbara (Knox) and Kevin Kennedy '82, a son, Kyle Duane.

Lisa (Drogmiller) '83 and Randy Szymanski, a son, Evan born August 10, 1988.

Christine (Jonasz) '88 and Gary Wofford, a daughter on June 25, 1988.

Grace (Dowling) '81 and M. Farooq Afridi, M.D., a son, Qasim, born April 28, 1988.

Elizabeth (Erickson) '84 and Donald Glasser, a son, Edward Michael "Mickey", on June 26, 1988.

Joan (Everitt) '87 and Edward F. Clark, a new baby, Courtney Lee, born May 14, 1988.

## NEWSNOTES

### 1930s

\*Anniversary Years Alumni Weekend, Oct. 27-29: 1929, 1934, 1939

1938



**Sr. Magdalen Therese Peplin '38** writes from Desert Hot Springs, California: "I am 81 years of age but feel 40 and act 20 so I have much ahead yet to do! With my good health,

energy and vitality, and with the public always wearing a gracious smile, I work wonders with so many people.

I am recognized as a philanthropist, musician, entertainer. I have published a poem book, 'Mirror of Thoughts', and am ready for another, 'Moments of Reflection'.

At our Lady of Solitude, I am their organist and enjoy the organ tremendously!"

### 1940s

\*Anniversary Years Alumni Weekend, Oct. 27-29: 1944, 1949

1946

**Rita Schlitz, O.P. (Sister M. Damian, O.P.)** writes from Adrian to say she is now fully involved in the Design of Sacred Space, working on projects across the country.

### 1960s

\*Anniversary Years Alumni Weekend, Oct. 27-29: 1964, 1969

1963

**Judith Anderson Corcoran** writes from LaMesa, California to say she is teaching 8th grade at St. Martin's Academy, has four children and would love to hear from the 1963 graduates!

1964

**Barbara Chenicek, O.P. (Sr. George**

**Patrice)** writes from Adrian to say she too is now fully involved in the Design of Sacred Space and working on projects across the country.

1964

**Mary Sharon Baron** writes from Adrian, Michigan to advise she has a name change to: **Mary Joan Baron.**

1965

**Constance Meredyk Hull**, recently widowed, writes from Westland, Michigan to say she is still teaching at SS. Peter and Paul School after 22 years and that she has three children, Sarah 6 years of age, Micah who is 10, and Damian, 19, who is a sophomore at Henry Ford Community College.

1966

**Rosemary Matyn Spears**, writes from Madison Heights, Michigan to say she is hoping to change career directives after working with senior citizens for 8 years. She plans graduate school this fall and plans to go into college admissions work or counseling.

### 1970s

\*Anniversary Years Alumni Weekend, Oct. 27-29: 1974, 1979

1970

**Barb Fleming Froh**, writes to us from Marietta, Georgia to say she is now the Club Administrator at Sportlife (a total health & wellness fitness center). Barb extends an invitation to any classmates visiting Atlanta to look her up.

1971

**Rose M. Bassett Jordan**, writes to say she and retired husband, James have moved to Blissfield, Michigan.

1972

**Janet Huvaere**, writes from St. Clair Shores, Michigan to say that after 46 years in one house she has moved into a condo. She also begins her 28th year teaching at St. Jude School in Detroit.

1974

**Terry Fleetham** writes from

Jonesville, Michigan to say she is in her 23rd year at Jonesville High School where she is the Assistant Principal. Terry has been on the Jonesville Village Council since 1973 and the Village President since 1982.

1975

**Robert Taylor**, writes from Tecumseh, Michigan to tell of his involvement in church and community affairs, as well as his professional contributions.

1976

**Patricia (Pat) Grant** writes to us from Wilmington, Delaware to share news of her recent engagement on July 19 to Keith Grunenwald. They have plans to marry on May 27, 1989 in Lansing, Michigan. She would like to hear from ex-classmates.

1977

**Gerald (Jerry) Snyder**, writes from Conroe, Texas to say he received his Master of Education in Counseling from Sam Houston State University in 1985. He is teaching math and science to 6th grade in The Woodlands, Texas.

1978

**Lawrence J. Sands**, writes from Marblehead, Massachusetts to say he is an Assistant Vice President at The First National Bank of Boston, New England's largest bank, and that wife Sally, is on the faculty at Lasell Junior College.

## Whats New in Your Life?

Let your former classmates know what has been going on with you by submitting a class note to *Reflections*. Whatever is important to you is important to us! Let us know about career moves, a marriage or the birth of a child. We would especially like to use a picture of you, you and your spouse or one of that "Little Saint" in your life.

Send your news and photos to: "Classnotes," *Reflections*, Siena Heights College, 1247 E. Siena Heights Dr., Adrian, MI 49221.



Several students currently attending Siena Heights have relatives who are alumni of the college. Three gathered for a photograph this fall. From left, Elizabeth Vasher whose mother, Mary, and father, Timothy, attended the college; Kathleen Walsh whose two aunts Sr. Denise Devitt and Sr. Catherine Dennis attended and Marina Valdez, whose sister, Maria Gonzalez attended.

**Patricia M. Collins**, writes to advise old friends of her new address which is: 820 E. 154th St., Cleveland, Ohio 44110.

\*Anniversary Years Alumni Weekend,  
Oct. 27-29: 1984

1980

**Jennifer Fischer Mitchell** writes from Snellville, Georgia to say they have moved from Atlanta where husband, Bobby, works as a construction superintendent.

1981

**John Anthony Borton** of Adrian, and Darlene Sue Butler share news of their upcoming wedding plans for December 30 in West Rome Baptist Church, Manitou Beach. John is a sports writer and columnist for *The Daily Telegram*, and Darlene is a senior nursing student at Cedarville College in Ohio.

**Norma J. Schroeder** writes from Alameda, California to say she is the Administrator of Hillhaven Alameda, a skilled nursing home on the island of Alameda near San Francisco.

**Kimberly Smith Whitcher** writes from Orlando, Florida to say that she and husband, Timothy, purchased a

new home and are sharing it with a new baby girl.

**Grace Dowling Afridi**, sends words from Perrysburg, Ohio to say she and her husband have changed their family name to Afridi, formerly Farooq. They also have two sons, Qasim, Jamal and a daughter, Sophia.

1983

**Navy Seaman Michelle M. Turk** advises that she joined the Navy last December and recently completed the Cryptologic Technician Communications School in Pensacola, Florida.

**Mary VanHaerents**, sends news from Kirkwood, Missouri of her recent move to the suburb upon her accepting a position managing the Brokerage Division for First Bank & Trust. She also shares news of her engagement with wedding plans for the summer of 1989.

1984

**Anne Kelley Brahier** writes from Perrysburg, Ohio to say that both she and husband, Daniel, received their Master's of Education Degrees from Bowling Green State University in August, 1988. She has accepted a teaching position at Notre Dame Academy in Toledo and Dan, a position as Associate Principal at Cardinal Stritch High School in Oregon, Ohio.

**Steve Frellick** sends words from Chicago, Illinois to say he is attending DePaul Law School on a Dean's Scholarship. He renovated a recently

purchased house and is now the landlord of 6 other law students!

1984

**Christine (Bolyard) Hamilton** writes from Sanford, North Carolina to say she was promoted to Seafood Manager with Winn Dixie, and that she has started her first year at C.C.C.C. in Business Computers. Husband Donald recently received his degree in Criminal Law from Central Carolina Community College.

**Deb Stevenson** advises that after three years of teaching in Fostoria, Ohio she has returned to Adrian to teach 7th grade math at Dragger Middle School, and also coach the 7th grade girl's basketball team.

**Christopher Tucker** of Jasper, Michigan writes to share news of his recent promotion to Employee Benefits Representative with Inland of Adrian, and to say he received a Master Degree in Science and Administration (MSA) last August from Central Michigan University.

1985

**Rose Marie Scherschel** writes from Indianapolis, Indiana to advise that she is no longer Sister Rose Marie, and that she has completed her Masters in Social Work and is Director of Counseling/Social Services at Peoples Health Center.

**Mary Ann (Chomic) Wood**, Saginaw, Michigan shares news of her recent promotion to Medical Supervisor. She also graduated with her Masters in Science, and a major in Health Administration from Central Michigan University.

1986

**Mary Cornillie** writes to say she is living in Toledo and working for Checker Distributors as a Fabric Buyer.

**Barbara DeVantier**, writes from Blissfield, Michigan to say she has completed her first full year of teaching the first grade at Comstock School. She became engaged to Randy Walck and they have set wedding plans for the fall of 1989.

1987

**Teresa Cain** writes to say she has moved to Georgia and is teaching kindergarten in Emerson Elementary School.

**Erlinda Rios**, writes to us from Adrian, Michigan to say she is employed with Cielito Lindo Head Start.

1987

**Sheila Schill**, writes from Somerset Center, Michigan to say she is employed at S.A.F.E. Place in Battle Creek.

1988

**Theresa Crowley** writes from Warren, Michigan to say she is working as a Computer Artist for VuCom Graphic Systems, making computer imaged slides.

**Anne Cousino** writes to say she is living in Ann Arbor running an art gallery. After completing post-graduate classes at the U of M in '89, she will be attending the Cranbrook Academy of Arts Graduate Program.

**Cassandra Jean (Steffel) Cullip** writes from Milan, Michigan to say her fall plans include the M.S.W. program at U of M.

**Martha Hans** writes from Riverside, Illinois to say she is working as a copywriter in retail advertising for Sears.

**Alexander J. Maceri** writes from Sterling Heights, Michigan to say he is a Design Supervisor at Chrysler. He has been married to Gail Eileen for 19 years and they have two children, a girl 17 and a boy 16.

**Sheila A. McCarthy** sends words from Highland Park, New Jersey that she is receiving corporate training in Grand Rapids for Gantos, Inc.

**Darwin Parks** writes from Oxford, Michigan that he is working on his Master of Public Administration and serving as an MPA Graduate Assistant. He anticipates completing his studies in December, 1989.

**Linda Schaller** writes from Allen Park, Michigan to share her plans to attend Wayne State University to pursue her Masters in Art degree.

**Kimberly (McMullen) and Mark Valade** write from Ohio to say that she has been hired by Metropolitan Magazine and will be working in the advertising department and also writing editorials. She continues to freelance for *The Daily Telegram* in Adrian, while Mark is an auditor for First National Bank of Toledo. Kim has retained her maiden name so as not to lose either identity or credibility as a writer.

**Joseph Walton** writes from Columbia, Maryland to extend "Best of Luck" to all of the class of 1988, and encourages, "strive for whatever you want in life."



The above photo was sent in as a result of the family history story in the Summer Reflections. Standing from left: Sarah Louise Dursum Howard, (attended '81-'82), Heather Dursum, Bill Dursum. Seated: Julie Kimball Labeau, '66, Florence Sullivan, '27, Satah La Beau and Denise Kimbal Durum, '58.

**Barbara T. Walzem** sends words from Davenport, Iowa to say she has joined the Friends of Art of Left Bank and League, and has also established herself with an agency in the Quad City to do TV commercials. Husband, Buzz, is enjoying retirement.

**Thomas Weber** writes from Haslett, Michigan to say he is in management training for J. C. Penney.

**Bette (Trebeck) Austin**, and husband Henry write from Farmington Hills, Michigan to say she is employed with Oakland Community College.

**Jacqueline Pfendt**, writes from Warren, Michigan to say she is employed with Charles Kent Reaver Diamond Co., in Southfield.

**John Taranko**, writes from Ludington, Michigan to say he is employed with Hart Public Schools in Hart, Michigan.

**Charlyce (MacQuesten) Walsh** and husband, Daniel, write from Allentown, Pennsylvania to say she is employed at Hoechst-Celanese Pharmaceutical.

### ASSOCIATE ALUMNI (NON-DEGREEED ALUMNI)

**Mary Salyer** writes from Jackson, Michigan to say she is employed at the St. Louis Center in Chelsea, and has plans to marry Scott Parker on April 29, 1989.

### CORRECTIONS:

**Cassandra (Steffel) Cullip**, writes from Milan, Michigan to say she graduated in '88 with a B.A., and received an A.A. in '86.

## WHAT'S NEW IN YOUR LIFE?

*Moved lately? - Have a new job?  
Said "I do?" - How about a new baby?*

Help us keep other alumni informed about your activities. Send a photo along too!

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Degree and Graduation year \_\_\_\_\_

Business Information-Firm Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address and Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Spouses Name \_\_\_\_\_  Yes  No  
Is spouse a Siena grad?

Name under which spouse graduated? \_\_\_\_\_ Degree and Graduation year \_\_\_\_\_

Class Note: \_\_\_\_\_

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