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Assessing Assessment: An Academic U-Turn

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Assessment is no longer a necessary evil in higher education. It's just plain necessary.

That's the view of Joe DesJardins, interim academic dean/associate provost, who recently attended a workshop conducted by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, in preparation for a CSB/SJU self-study for re-accreditation.

DesJardins acknowledged that assessment does not make the top-10 list of favorite conversational topics among faculty. He shared that attitude as he headed for the workshop with a sense of dread in anticipation of the workload ahead.

He returned to the campuses, however, with recognition of the benefits of assessment as a tool to help improve the educational enterprise. He also left the workshop with an appreciation for the readiness at CSB/SJU to undertake the self-study.

"We are in pretty good shape," he said. "We're ahead of the curve in a lot of ways."

The main advantage is personnel, he said. "Institutionally, we have people leading our efforts who are nationally known for their work in assessment."

Phil Kramer, a newcomer to CSB/SJU as director of academic assessment and assistant professor of education, specializes in assessment and had an article published this past summer in a major journal. Assisted by Ryan Kutter, Kramer will be working to help every program develop assessment plans, DesJardins said.

CSB President MaryAnn Baenninger has expertise in assessment because of her work with the Middle States Commission on Higher Education in Philadelphia, Pa., prior to coming to CSB.

In addition, DesJardins pointed to Kim Oren, associate director of institutional research, and Patrick Jacobson-Schulte, a budget analyst, as key members of the Self-Study Steering Committee, along with Carie Braun, assistant professor of nursing, who will chair the self-study team.

"While assessment is still a dirty word, we get it now," he said. "People understand that assessment is a feedback mechanism to improve student learning."

That understanding is a pillar in the evolution of the new core curriculum that is nearing completion. DesJardins said the Joint Faculty Assembly has approved the new symposium and he expects the new core curriculum to be in place by the end of this academic year.

"The difference between the new curriculum and the old is that there will be embedded assessment all the way through," he said.

"Specific learning goals will be a part of every element of the new curriculum. That has been the charge to the faculty."

The process had led to a renewed commitment to the core by faculty, he said.

The First-Year Symposium, with its focus on intensive writing, continues to be a model. Now, it will involve pre- and post-assessment across all the sections.

"That's new," he said. "The assessments will provide ongoing data to show what we do for our students."

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From the Presidents: A Commitment to the Pursuit of Intercultural Competence

Among the greatest challenges that institutions of higher learning face today is the necessity to help students come to a deeper and more resilient understanding of the diversity of peoples that constitute the world in which we live. Such understanding is cultivated by getting to know other persons as individuals, by learning to love being with each other, by understanding that our life together is deeply enriched by the cultural, racial, and ethnic qualities each of us embodies.

The College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University are committed to providing the very best residential liberal arts education in the Catholic university tradition. Our coordinate mission statement goes on to say that we "foster integrated learning, exceptional leadership for change, and wisdom for a lifetime." Neither our mission commitment nor the results we seek to achieve are possible without expanding and deepening the intercultural competence of all members of the educational community, that is, without expanding and deepening the ability of each of us to engage, learn from, and work with people whose cultural identity is different from our own.

The Benedictine, Catholic identity of these two institutions mandates cultivating the intercultural competence of all. The Benedictine values of prayerful listening, community living, and hospitality call us to a number of practices relevant to developing intercultural competence. These practices include moving out of our comfort zone for the sake of learning, breaking down any residual sense of insiders and outsiders, and engaging in dialogue in which each participant seeks to understand the other as the other understands himself/herself. Practices such as these are deeply congruent with the commitments of the Catholic intellectual tradition, especially the importance that tradition attaches to universality, inclusiveness and self-criticism.

We created an Intercultural Directions Council (IDC) in January 2006 to facilitate the development of intercultural competence on our campuses. The IDC is comprised of faculty, administrators, staff, and students and is co-chaired by Miguel H. Diaz, associate professor of theology, and Mary Geller, CSB vice president of student development. The council will consult members of our CSB/SJU communities on the question of how each might engage in practices that promote intercultural competence and thereby advance institutional excellence.

We, the Presidents of the College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University, invite all members of our educational communities to join us in the commitment to recognize and celebrate the diversity of our cultural gifts. We recognize the progress we have made in acting upon this commitment and we seek to learn from our shortcomings. We are conscious that our dedication to intercultural competence requires immediate and sustained efforts. As Presidents of these two institutions, we are committed to support this process and we count on your generosity to contribute in creative ways to address this invitation. Our work together will effect changes that will enrich our colleges and each of us personally. In realizing intercultural competence, we will all help advance the mission of our two institutions.

MaryAnn Baenninger
President, College of Saint Benedict

Dietrich Reinhart, OSB
President, Saint John's University

Company Plans Retirement Community

The CSB Board of Trustees has entered into a purchase agreement with Collegeville Communities of St. Cloud, for the sale of approximately 10 acres of land located on College Avenue and bordered by Callaway Street in St. Joseph. The company plans to build an academic village with approximately 50 residential units on the site.

An academic village is a housing development for seniors and pre-retirees that is built on or near a college campus and that provides a conduit for access by residents to campus facilities, activities and learning opportunities. According to Colleen Hollinger Petters, president, Collegeville Communities, the development will cater to a growing number of retirees and pre-retirees who are looking for an active retirement lifestyle that is grounded in the concept of lifelong learning.

Although the architectural style is yet to be determined, Hollinger Petters noted that the company will work closely with the master planner for CSB to ensure that the development reflects the lifestyle and avocations of residents, while drawing on the historical elements of the prairie region that are architecturally desirable.

In expressing support for the project, CSB President MaryAnn Baenninger stated, "At the College of Saint Benedict, we are committed to fostering integrative learning, exceptional leadership for change and wisdom for a lifetime. The partnership with Collegeville Communities furthers our commitment to lifelong learning, as well as our relationship with alumnae and the community in which we reside. Not only is the new development a natural fit with the mission of the college, but it will make learning at Saint Ben's more accessible to the community."

According to Hollinger Petters, Collegeville Communities will partner with

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CSB to create educational opportunities and to identify other benefits for residents of the new community. The development is designed for people who are 55 and older, although a limited number of residents can be 40 years old. Residents do not have to be CSB alumnae.

Collegeville Communities anticipates breaking ground on the new development in spring 2007 and completing the first units by late fall 2007. Estimated cost per unit is not yet known.

Gender and Women's Studies Major Okayed at CSB/SJU

Beginning in spring 2007, students at CSB/SJU can graduate with a major in Gender and Women's Studies (GWST).

While many colleges have had Women's Studies majors for some time, the new program at CSB/SJU is quite "unusual," according to Martha Tomhave Blauvelt, director of GWST at the two schools.

"It includes a significant component that looks at men as gendered beings, and in that sense incorporates the cutting edge of academic scholarship," Tomhave said. "This also increases the interest to students, so SJU students understand that their experience is gendered, just as women's is."

CSB/SJU has offered a GWST minor since 1994. The new program will include 50 professors from 15 departments.

The new major, the 37th offered by CSB/SJU and the first major added since environmental studies in 2003, continues a history of curriculum changes brought about by transformations in society.

In the 1800s, social science classes such as psychology and sociology were added as urbanization, industrialization and immigration changed society; similarly, the civil rights, anti-war, environmental and feminist movements created ethnic studies, peace studies, environmental studies and women's studies in the 1960s.

"In devising peace studies and environmental studies majors, CSB/SJU continued that tradition of providing students analytical tools so they can understand these significant subjects and be effective leaders," Tomhave said. "Our Gender and Women's Studies major is part of these much larger social and academic trends, and this subject has become the academic norm for American colleges, just as the social sciences did a century ago."

She pointed out that the schools' missions have emphasized the importance of gender, and gender is often the subject of discussion in class. In addition, guest lecturers and programs like the Controversial Conversations program (funded by the Teagle Foundation of New York City) make students realize "that the subject of GWST is not theoretical but very practical – businesses expect gender awareness, as do health services, education and many other professions," Tomhave said.

In August 2005, GWST program members met to develop major requirements and learning goals. The major was approved by the CSB Board of Trustees and the SJU Board of Regents Oct. 13.

CSB/SJU, Morehouse Exchange Speakers

The political science departments of CSB/SJU and Morehouse College in Atlanta have begun a speaker exchange that occurs each semester. Gary Prevost, chair of political science, began the exchange in Morehouse in early November 2005. He spoke in two classes and made a college-wide presentation entitled "The Evolution of the African National Congress: From Revolutionaries to Social Democrats." That same week, Professor Hasan Crockett of Morehouse visited CSB/SJU, where he spoke in two classes, gave an LES presentation on simulations, and presented a program entitled "Transforming the Political Culture of African-American Males."

The exchange continued in spring 2006, with Professor Abraham Davis of Morehouse coming to campus in February, to speak on "An Analysis of the Precursors of the 1954 Brown Decision." The exchange will resume in spring 2007, with Professor James Read traveling to Atlanta to speak on "John Calhoun, Slavery, and the Ideal of Consensus." On Feb. 22-23, Professor Gregg Hall, the new chair of the Morehouse department, will do a residency focused on his expertise in the relations between the United States, Russia and China.

This departmental exchange occurs in the context of a number of cooperative projects between our institutions. In May 2006, Professor Prevost co-led a course on the civil rights movement to Georgia and Alabama with Professor Augustine Konneh, chair of the Morehouse history department. The course will be repeated in 2007. The cooperative work began with an overture from Morehouse to the other all-male U.S. colleges several years ago. At the CSB/SJU end, the cooperative efforts have been led by Vice President Gar Kellom and The Center for Men's Leadership and Service at SJU.

Pulitzer Prize-Winning Poet Conducts Residency at CSB/SJU

Pulitzer Prize-winning poet Charles Simic will give a free public reading while conducting a residency Nov. 14-17 at CSB/SJU.

His reading is at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 16, at Pellegrene Auditorium in the Peter Engel Science Building at SJU. Simic will also take part in a panel discussion with Nicholas Hayes, CSB/SJU history professor and holder of the SJU Chair of Critical Thinking, on "War, Memory and Poetry" on Nov. 14, at the Boardroom, Teresa Reception Center, CSB.

During his residency, Simic is scheduled to speak to CSB/SJU students Nov. 14-16, in selected English and history classes. These classes include Creative

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Writing, taught by Hadara Bar-Nadav; Writing Essays, taught by Matt Callahan; Reading Fiction and Poetry, taught by Charles Thornbury; Reading: Special Topics, taught by Jessica Harkins; and an Honors First-Year Symposium, taught by Hayes.

Simic has published five books of essays, a memoir, numerous translations and 16 collections of poetry. Born in 1938 in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, he immigrated to the United States in 1952, and published his first poems in 1959.

Simic's residency at CSB/SJU is sponsored by the University Chair of Critical Thinking and Project Logos/Literary Arts Institute at CSB/SJU.

CSB/SJU Library Marks Milestones

Celebration is in the air this year and the libraries are getting into that spirit as well. The Clemens Library of CSB is now 20 years old and the Alcuin Library of SJU is 40 years old. Both libraries have confidently and steadfastly provided high quality service and resources to our college communities for these many years. To mark these milestones the library staff celebrated on Nov. 9, at the Clemens Library with cake and other refreshments, prizes in the form of $100 gift certificates to the bookstore for students and faculty/staff, a panel discussion and more.

"The staff, the buildings and the resources of the library provide a vital link to a high level of research, investigation and discovery for our students and faculty," said Kathy Parker, director of the Library. "We look forward to many more years of engaging the intellect, curiosity, creativity, and companionship of our patrons."

Dignitas Humana Award Presented

The 2006 Dignitas Humana Award was presented to the Community of Sant'Egidio on Nov. 13. During the program, Dr. Marco Impagliazzo, president of Sant'Egidio gave a lecture, "The Gospel of Peace and Solidarity with the Poor: The Spirit of Sant'Egidio."

The Community of Sant'Egidio began with a small group of high school students in Rome in 1968, during the period following the Second Vatican Council. Today it is a movement of more than 50,000 lay people in Rome, Italy, and in more than 70 countries throughout the world dedicated to evangelization and charity.

SJU Student Receives Peace and Justice Scholarship

John Mary Lugemwa OSB, 27, has received a 2006 Hawkinson Foundation scholarship in recognition of his peace and justice activities in his home country of Uganda and at SJU, where he is a senior studying computer science and philosophy.

The scholarship will be used to help set up a library and computer/information center in a school for orphans being built in Lugemwa's home village in Uganda. The school is one of several projects initiated by a nonprofit organization, Uganda Rural Fund USA, Inc., established by Lugemwa and his brother to assist the poor in that country. While studying at SJU, Lugemwa has started an AIDS service-learning program and has led student groups to Uganda, Kenya and Rwanda to work with AIDS organizations.

Selected annually by the Foundation, the Hawkinson scholarships are aimed at furthering the commitment to peace and justice of the late Rev. Vincent L. Hawkinson, who served as pastor of Grace University Lutheran Church in Minneapolis for 30 years.

The scholarship program has awarded more than $54,000 to 54 students since 1988. Br. Lugemwa is one of six students receiving the 2006 scholarship awards, designated for students from or attending schools in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, and North and South Dakota

Copies Available of Vincent's Speech

Copies of Norah Vincent's recent presentation are available at Alcuin and Clemens Libraries.

New Members Named to College of Saint Benedict Board of Trustees

CSB has appointed the following new members to its Board of Trustees: George Marin, president of Data Tech Solutions, LLC; Theresa Wurst, retired president of ING Reinsurance; Laura Kelly Lovdahl, president of the CSB National Alumnae Association; Anne Donaghy, a retired educator; Shari Rogalski, a partner at Accenture; Lynn Newman, operations manager at Evergreen Community Church; Sheridan Reilly, a retired investment manager and a chartered financial analyst (CFA); Virginia Arthur, an associate professor of management at CSB/SJU; and CSB student trustee Gretchen Enninga, a junior psychology and communication major from Fulda, Minn.

Marin founded and was president of Data Tech Services in Fort Washington, Pa., which became Data Tech Solutions. He has served on advisory boards at Eastern Center for Arts and Technology; on the alumni association board at Point Park University, Pa.; and on the information science technology advisory committee at Penn State University. He has a master's degree from the University of Pennsylvania, and a management of technology degree from Wharton School of Engineering.

Wurst is the retired president of ING Reinsurance, which is a knowledge-based reinsurance organization that provides its clients with reinsurance solutions. ING Reinsurance is part of the Amsterdam-based financial services company ING. She graduated with a bachelor's degree

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from CSB in 1969.

Lovdahl received her bachelor's degree from CSB in 1985. She has served as a crisis counselor for people with behavioral challenges. She volunteers at St. Joseph the Worker Church, Maple Grove, Minn.; Rush Creek Elementary School, Maple Grove; and at CSB.

Donaghy attended Wellesley College, where she received a bachelor's degree in English. She was an elementary school teacher, employment counselor and development officer prior to her retirement. Donaghy previously served three terms on the CSB Board of Trustees.

Rogalski is a 1989 management graduate of CSB. She is a partner and senior director, business intelligence, global with Accenture, in Minneapolis. Rogalski served as president of the CSB Alumnae Council for three years and ex-officio member of the Board of Trustees during that time.

Newman is a 1979 graduate of CSB, with a bachelor's in philosophy. She also received a master's degree in business administration at the University of Minnesota. Newman is the operations manager at Evergreen Community Church, Burnsville, Minn. She has been a member and president of the CSB Alumnae Council. Newman previously served three terms on the CSB Board of Trustees, during which time she was co-chair of a CSB Capital Campaign.

Reilly previously worked as a senior portfolio manager and executive vice president for Schroders Investment Management's Europe, Australia and Far East investment team, based in New York. Prior to that, he was a senior vice president and chief investment officer for international stocks (portfolio manager) with Ivy Management in Boca Raton, Fla. He attended SJU.

SJU Names New Board of Regent Members

SJU recently named R. Stephen Armstrong, Terence Fruth, Kenneth Roering and Prince Wallace to three-year terms on its Board of Regents, beginning this fall. Sophomore Nicholas Truso, from Mahtomedi, Minn., was named to a one-year term as student representative.

Armstrong is executive vice president and CFO of Patterson Companies, Inc., St. Paul, a $2.5 billion, publicly held distributor of equipment, supplies and services to the dental, veterinary and rehabilitation markets. He has been a director of Delphax Technologies, Inc., Minnetonka, Minn., since 2000, and for the past two years has served as a non-Regent member of the Saint John's audit committee. Armstrong graduated from SJU cum laude in 1973 with a bachelor of science in economics and accounting and a minor in business administration.

Fruth is an attorney at Fruth, Jamison & Elsass, P.A., Minneapolis. He has practiced in business litigation for over 30 years and has extensive trial experience in a wide range of business disputes. *Minnesota Law and Politics* magazine has listed Fruth as one of its Top 40 Business Litigators in Minnesota, based on voting by fellow lawyers. Fruth's undergraduate degree is from SJU in 1960, and his law degree is from the University of Minnesota.

Roering is professor of marketing in the University of Minnesota's Carlson School of Management and held the Pillsbury Company-Paul S. Gerot Chair in Marketing. He has served as visiting professor or distinguished guest lecturer at many of this country's leading universities, as well as in France and Poland. More recently, and in addition to teaching, he is the executive vice president of strategic management at Marshall Bank-First Corp., Minneapolis. Roering's undergraduate degree is from SJU in 1964, and his doctorate is from the University of Iowa.

Wallace is the owner and CEO of West Central Environmental Consultants, Inc., Maple Grove, Minn., an environmental company. He is also the owner of two other companies – Independent Packing Services, Inc., Maple Grove, a designbuild crating company; and SABL, Ltd., Bahamas, an engineering and environmental technology transfer company. Born in Nassau, Bahamas, Wallace came to Minnesota in 1964. He attended SJU and the Minnesota School of Business, majoring in accounting and business administration.

Bohr Participates in International Buddhist-Christian Conference in Hong Kong

Richard Bohr, professor of history and director of Asian studies, presented a paper entitled "The Kingdom of God in China: Mapping the Taiping Millennial Vision" at a conference entitled "Kingdom of God, Pure Land and the Human World: The International Conference on Buddhist-Christian Dialogue," sponsored by the Chinese University of Hong Kong on Oct. 17-21. Bohr was one of 25 participants from "Greater China" – i.e. the People's Republic of China, the special administrative regions of Hong Kong and Macau, Taiwan and overseas Chinese – as well as Japan, Europe and the United States.

A taboo subject in China until recently, religion is now regarded by the Chinese government as a way to promote the social "harmony" the country needs to develop its massive economy while also closing the growing income gap between the wealthy industrial "Gold Coast" and the impoverished rural hinterland. With millennial concepts of the Kingdom of God and Pure Land as potential blueprints for improving physical life on earth, China's 100 million indigenous Christians and an even larger number of Buddhists have long sought to improve human society in a China mired in internal collapse and foreign aggression between 1800 and 1949.

After bringing the Communists to

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power in 1949, Chairman Mao tried to stamp out religion as a superstitious folly and a potential spark of popular rebellions. Indeed, many of the 80,000 rural uprisings in China last year over perceived economic inequalities were led by charismatic Christian leaders.

Believing that religion can also be a force for positive social change, Chinese authorities encouraged the Chinese University of Hong Kong – which specializes in organizing conferences on Christian-Confucian-Buddhist-Daoist dialogue among scholars within "Greater China" – to mount this conference.

The conference papers will be published by Beijing's Center for Humanistic Buddhism.

Former Minnesota Supreme Court Associate Justice Honored at Red Mass

John Simonett, a former associate justice with the Minnesota Supreme Court, was honored with the Fidelis Apparitor Award at the fifth annual Red Mass Nov. 11, at Sacred Heart Chapel, Saint Benedict's Monastery, at CSB.

The award, which means "faithful servant" in Latin, is given to individuals who have been good and faithful servants of the law.

Honorees are chosen by virtue of their exemplary service, outstanding competence and leadership, and their adherence to the directive in the *Rule of Saint Benedict:* "No one is to pursue what is judged better for oneself, but instead, what is judged better for someone else."

Simonett is a 1948 SJU graduate. Following his graduation cum laude from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1951, he was a partner at Rosenmeier and Simonett in Little Falls, Minn., from 1951-80.

Simonett served as an associate justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court from 1980-94. He then joined the Minneapolis law firm of Greene Espel as a partner in August 1994. He serves as a mediator and arbitrator, was listed with the American Arbitration Association and authorized under state's rules governing alternative dispute resolution.

Abbot John Klassen of Saint John's Abbey was the celebrant and homilist for the Red Mass and S. Nancy Bauer, prioress for Saint Benedict's Monastery, gave welcoming remarks.

In many jurisdictions around the world, the judicial year is traditionally opened with a Red Mass. The celebration of the Mass is designed to provide judges, lawyers, civic leaders and academics of all faiths the opportunity to reflect on the powers and responsibilities that are part of their offices.

The Red Mass name comes from the red vestments and garments that early legal participants wore on this occasion.

Faculty/Staff News

Gary Prevost, professor and chair of political science, has two recent publications. The second edition of his textbook, *Politics of Latin America: The Power Game* (co-authored with Harry Vanden), has been published by Oxford University Press. Also, his article, "Contesting Free Trade: The Development of the Anti-FTAA Movement in the Streets and in the Corridors of Power," appeared in the September-December 2005 edition of the *Journal of Developing Societies.*

Richard Bohr, professor of history and director of Asian studies, conducted a seven-part lecture series on "China and America in the Asian Century" for the Center for Senior Citizens Education at the University of St. Thomas during the fall semester.

S. Lois Wedl OSB, assistant professor of education, gave the keynote address at a colloquium at Colegio San Benito in Humacao, Puerto Rico on Oct. 17. The colloquium was one of the school's final requirements for accreditation by Middle States and Colleges Schools.

The theme of the colloquium and Sr. Lois' keynote was "Expanding Our Horizons Through the Enhancement of English." S. Lois spent 10 years at Colegio San Benito both as a member of the English department and later as the director of the school.

Paintings by **Fr. Jerome Tupa** OSB, SJU chaplain, are on exhibit at The Meeting Grounds in St. Joseph.

Axel Theimer, professor of music, served as facilities coordinator for the 17th Annual Combined Men's Choir and Women's Choir Festival held Oct. 28 at SJU. The event, sponsored by the American Choral Directors Association of Minnesota, attracted more than 800 students from Minnesota high schools and colleges and included the CSB Campus Singers, conducted by Philip Welter, associate professor of music, and the SJU Men's Chorus, conducted by Theimer. Theimer also directed the Collegiate and High School Men's Massed Choir in a performance of the Hebrew folksong "El Yivneh Hagalil" during the festival finale concert.

S. Helen Rolfson OSF, associate professor of theology, presented at the congress, "Ruusbroec in Babel? The Translation and Appropriation of Mystical Texts from the Middle Ages to the Present," at the University of Antwerp and the Lessius Hogeschool, in Antwerp, Belgium, on Sept. 22-23. It was an international congress, organized by the Ruusbroec Society, in collaboration with the department of applied linguistics, Lessius Hogeschool, Antwerp, the University Centre of Saint-Ignatius Antwerp (UCSIA) and the faculty of theology, Catholic University of Louvain. S. Helen spoke on "The Translation Project of the Opera Omnia of Ruusbroec: a survey of the last 30 years," of which she translated

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most of the 11 volumens, and participated in a multi-cultural forum of five people from Japan, Hungary, Italy and France, each speaking on the challenges of translating the same excerpt from the collected works of Jan van Ruusbroec, Flemish mystic of the 14th century. The final two volumes of the 11-volume Opera Omnia, namely, the treatise known as The Spiritual Tabernacle, were presented by the publishers to mark the occasion.

Mary Neisen and **Carie Braun,** of the department of nursing, and Linda Shepherd, assistant professor of nutrition, published an article titled "A School-Based Physical Activity Program Tailored to Adolescent Girls" in October, in the *Journal of Education and Human Development.* The article was based on an original research study that explored the effects of a girls-only tailored physical activity class versus a regular co-ed physical activity class. The research project was completed during the 2004-2005 school year at a local middle school and involved collaboration between nursing and nutrition faculty; Carol Brinkman, a local family nurse practitioner; Katie Snodgrass, a student in the nutrition program and a local physical education teacher.

Scott Richardson, professor of classics, had published an article called "The Odyssey and the Spy Novel," in the current issue of *Classical and Modern Literature.*

Sanford Moskowitz, assistant professor of management, has had an article accepted for publication in the special issue of the *International Finance Review* (IFR). The IFR special issue is titled "Value Creation in Multinational Enterprise." Moskowitz's article is titled "Internationalization and Value Creation in the Global Textiles and Apparel Industry: A Comparative Analysis of Lithuania and Moldova." The selection of articles for inclusion into this special issue of IFR was made through a rigorous peer review process. Moskowitz's article is an extension of his earlier work in the area of the internationalization of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) within Eastern Europe. The IFR special issue will be published in early 2007 by Elsevier Ltd.

The CSB/SJU Magazine was included in a Best Practices presentation by organizers of the CASE 2006 Annual Conference for Publications Professionals in San Antonio Oct. 16-18. The CSB Magazine was selected for inclusion in a Best Practices exhibition. **Glenda Isaacs Burgeson,** director of editorial services in Communication and Marketing Services, is editor of both magazines. **Greg Becker,** director of graphic services in Communication and Marketing Services, is designer of both magazines. At the same conference, Burgeson was recognized for a first-place finish in a writing exercise.

Parker Wheatley, assistant professor of economics, presented "Liberal Arts Colleges: A Place for Agricultural and Resource Economists?" in the organized symposium entitled "The Cross-Over Experience: Tips from the Liberal Arts Trenches" at the American Agricultural Economics Association Meeting in Long Beach, Cal. in July 2006. He moderated that symposium and another paper session on international trade. In October 2006, he was elected to the board of directors of the Minnesota Economics Association.

CSB President **MaryAnn Baenninger** and SJU President **Br. Dietrich Reinhart** have been accepted by the American Council on Education for the publication of "The Ultimate Partnership" in the next issue of *The Presidency.*

Terry Bernardy, manager of McGlynn's/O'Connell's, has received state and national awards from the Dietary Managers Association. At the national level he received an award for the state newsletter he produces, and at the state level he was named Minnesota Dietary Manager of the Year.

Kaarin Johnston, professor of theater (far left), joins the cast backstage at the Colman Theater in the CSB Benedicta Arts Center after the final performance of "Dames at Sea."

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Nov. 14-17
Charles Simic Residency
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Nov. 14
Charles Simic "War, Memory and Poetry:
CSB Boardroom, TRC 8 p.m.

Nov. 15
Raymond Baker
"Capitalism's Achilles Heel: Dirty money and how to renew the free market system"
Alumnae Hall, HCC 7 p.m.
Sponsored by Global Awareness
Contact: Gary Prevost

Nov. 16
Charles Simic Poetry Reading
SJU Pellegrene Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
Sponsored by Critical Thinking, LAI, Logos

Nov. 22 – 26 THANKSGIVING BREAK

Dec. 1
Christmas at Saint John's
SJU Great Hall, 8 p.m.

Dec. 2
Christmas at Saint John's
SJU Great Hall, 2 p.m.

Dec. 2
Cardinal McCarrick, visit; speech
SJU Quad 264, 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 3
CSB/SJU Fine Arts Series: Kronos Quartet
CSB Petters Auditorium, 2 p.m.
CSB/SJU All College Choir Concert
SJU Great Hall, 3 p.m.

Dec. 4
CSB/SJU Jazz Ensemble Concert
SJU Stephen B. Humphrey Theater, 8 p.m.

Dec. 5
String Music Concert
SJU Stephen B. Humphrey Theater, 8 p.m.

Dec. 8
Wind Ensemble/Orchestra Concert
CSB Petters Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 9
CSB/SJU Fine Arts Series: Dianne Reeves Christmas
CSB Petters Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 10
Christmas Concert
SJU Stephen B. Humphrey Theater, 4 p.m.

Dec. 14 LAST DAY FALL CLASSES

Jan. 27
CSB/SJU Fine Arts Series: Luna Negra Dance Theater
CSB Petters Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 1
CSB/SJU Fine Arts Education Series: The Mystical Arts of Tibet
SJU Stephen B. Humphrey Theater, 9:15 & 11:15 a.m.

Feb. 2
CSB/SJU Fine Arts Series: The Mystical Arts of Tibet
SJU Stephen B. Humphrey Theater, 8 p.m.

Feb. 3
CSB/SJU Fine Arts Series: The Mystical Arts of Tibet
SJU Stephen B. Humphrey Theater, 2 p.m.

Feb. 7
S. Mariella Gable Award Reading
CSB Alumnae Hall, HCC, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 9
Pastiche
SJU Stephen B. Humphrey Theater, 8 p.m.

Feb. 15-16
Conference on Women's spiritualities
CSB Alumnae Hall, HCC, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 16
CSB/SJU Fine Arts Series: Addicted--A Comedy of Substance
CSB Gorecki Theater, 7 p.m.

Feb. 16
Dr. Debra DeBruin
"Social Responsibility in the Age of Genomics."
CSB Gorecki Theater, 9:30 p.m.

Feb. 17
CSB/SJU Fine Arts Series: Addicted--A Comedy of Substance
CSB Gorecki Theater, 7 & 9:30 p.m.

Feb. 20
Carol Finley
Solo/Ensemble Recital
CSB Petters Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

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