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CCJU Receives Record \$1 Million Gift



Louella Lieberman, donor of \$1 million to CCJU, with President Anthony J. Cernera and Rabbi Joseph H. Ehrenkranz, the center's executive director.

The University's Center for Christian-Jewish Understanding (CCJU) has received a \$1 million gift, the largest donation in the center's history, from Louella Lieberman, a longtime supporter of the University and CCJU.

"This is more than a financial contribution – it is an expression of the close ties between Louella Lieberman and Sacred Heart University. She is an important part of the Sacred Heart University family," said President Anthony J. Cernera.

"As a university founded during the Second Vatican Council, whose teachings encouraged interreligious dialogue and cooperation, Sacred Heart University has a special role to play in this process. This gift will allow our center to expand its efforts into the future and to inspire further resolution of problems encountered as a result of misunderstanding or differing ideologies."

The contribution will be used to produce conferences, seminars and other forums that promote thoughtful interreligious dialogue.

"Over the years, Mrs. Lieberman has championed our cause and proven to be a valuable contributor of ideas while serving on the center's Board of Directors," said Rabbi Joseph H. Ehrenkranz, CCJU executive director. "She has enthusiastically embraced our goal of strengthening harmony between faiths and we are most grateful."

Founded in 1992, the center draws together clergy, laity, scholars, theologians and educators to focus on current religious thinking within Christianity and Judaism, with notable recent efforts to embrace Islam as well. CCJU has sponsored conferences nationally and internationally, including a landmark 1998 conference with Jewish, Christian and Islamic leaders in Auschwitz, Poland.

CCJU also focuses on building understanding among Christian and Jewish seminary students, creating opportunities to learn from each other and from noted experts. The center has been an integral part of publishing two books from Sacred Heart University Press: Toward Greater Understanding, Essays in Honor of John Cardinal O'Connor, and With My Last Breath, Let Me See Jerusalem, a moving first-person narrative from a survivor of the Holocaust.

SHU Forum Explores Catholicism's Role in Higher Education

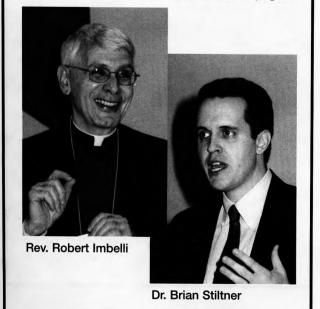
What does it mean to be an institution of Catholic higher education in the 21st century? How does one reconcile an intellectual tradition passed down through the centuries with the challenges of contemporary scholarship? In the final analysis, what makes a Catholic university precisely that: a Catholic university?

"Examining the Catholic Intellectual Tradition," a landmark conference held Nov. 10-12 and initiated and hosted by Sacred Heart University, worked to answer these questions.

More than 150 scholars spent three intensive days exploring this tradition and probing its practical applications for contemporary academic disciplines. Conference attendees, drawn from across the country as well as the United Kingdom, included a broad mix of college presidents, professors and other academicians from more than 50 colleges and universities,

Through four plenary sessions led by noted scholars and theologians, participants probed var-

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Theatre Launches Renovation Project

Some call it the Center for the Performing Arts. Others know it as the Sacred Heart University Theatre. To others, it is simply the "Auditorium."

By any name, the University's 830-seat facility is about to undergo a major renovation. The project, which was announced at a Nov. 14 benefit show, is intended to be executed in three phases. The first — otherwise known as Act I — calls for the installation of a new heating and air-conditioning system. Construction will begin in January and be completed in late April, making the theatre accessible year-round.

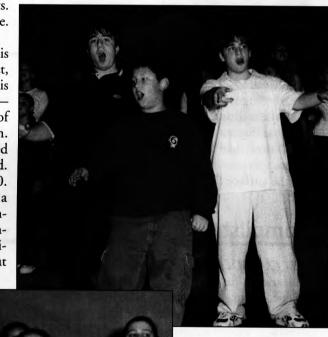
The estimated cost for the HAC system is \$200,000. The state of Connecticut has awarded the University a \$50,000 grant toward this work, but the grant is contingent on the University raising \$150,000 in matching funds. Ann D'Addario has already made a significant donation for this portion of the renovation, but more money still needs to be raised.

"I invite everyone who values and uses this facility to become a partner in the modernization and renovation of this valuable community resource," said Elinor Biggs, vice president for University Relations. "In the past year alone, more than 52,000 people from Connecticut and beyond our borders attended events here. Once these improvements are complete, Sacred Heart University will truly have a year-round facility that will benefit the University, the community and the region."

Once Act I is complete and the heating and air-conditioning are installed, the University will move into Act II of this fundraising effort: the replacement of the facility's original hardwood seats. The final phase, Act III, calls for the

modernization of the lighting and sound systems, lobby and box office.

Michael Bozzone, dean of freshmen, appreciates the need for a renovation; his 11-year-old daughter, Alicia, performs in the Summer Cabaret Theatre Workshop in the heat of August. "You have a lot of talented theater people working and performing there. If you want to attract audiences and make it more professional, you've got to upgrade the facility," Bozzone said.



Students from the Summer Cabaret Theatre Workshop perform a "Summer Camp Encore" at the Nov. 14 kickoff.

Since its opening in 1986, the center has offered professional-quality theatrical, musical and dance performances to a wide audience. James Earl Jones, Julie Harris, Dizzy Gillespie, Keir Dullea and classical pianist Alicia de Larrocha are among the more celebrated perform-

ers to grace its stage.

The annual Broadway musical subscription series, student productions, the summer cabaret workshop, educational and other special events — many held under the auspices of outside organizations — contribute to the theatre's role as a valuable community resource.

For information about making a contribution, contact Institutional Advancement at 371-7860. ■

Staff Profile

Lombardi Leads WSHU's Rise

When Nida Corp., a Stamford-based manufacturer of electronic equipment, decided to shift its operations to Florida in 1983, its youthful production manager, George Lombardi '73, opted to remain in Connecticut. Lombardi found temporary employment at his alma mater - or, more precisely, its radio station, WSHU — as general manager and chief engi-

"A nice interim job. It sounded good," he recalled with a smile.

Who could have imagined. The "nice interim job" has developed into a long-term management position. And Lombardi has led this once tiny, insignificant FM station into a leadership position in the broadcasting

The initial reason for the surge in popularity, according to Lombardi, was the change in format, from rock to classical, which took place shortly after his arrival. "When I got here, the average audience was 700 listeners a week," he said. Within five years, the listenership had grown to 111,000.

As the University-operated station moves through its 36th year, its audience has expanded to an all-time high of 155,000 (Arbitron, Spring 2000). It recently surpassed Connecticut Public Radio as the state's most popular non-commercial station and, even more significantly, now claims the 33rd largest audience among the 534 National Public Radio affiliates nationwide.

Including WSHU's sister stations, WSUF on Long Island and WSHU-AM, the total listening audience has risen to the 188,000 range.

As general manager, the energetic Lombardi is responsible for the stations' fund-raising, programming and day-to-day operations. When WSHU began its major growth spurt in the early 1990s, he was forced to relinquish the chief engineer's hat, stating, "That's more than a full-time job by itself."

The combined staff has grown from the nine of a decade ago to 19 full-time professionals and five parttimers. In addition, three Sacred Heart University students provide work-study assistance. When he arrived in 1983, there was a staff of four.

As principal fund-raiser, Lombardi has helped place WSHU in a healthy state. Today, virtually all of the stations' \$2.7 million operating budget is accounted for by donations from 18,500 active supporters along with grants from corporations and the federal government. "Our most recent pledge drive added 1,500 names to that list," he said with a touch of pride.

By taking advantage of new technology, WSHU and its sister stations will continue to prosper, Lombardi believes. He cites direct satellite broadcasting, digital

cable and webcasting as possible areas of expansion.

Aside from the daily strains of Bach, Beethoven and Mozart, Lombardi sees WSHU's niche as "local service to local people. That's why we are beginning to produce more local news, weather and other programming," he said. "Our goal is to provide more and more

high-quality local programming.'

Lombardi's achievements are well-respected by his alma mater. Two years ago, he was among the initial recipients of the Alumni Award of Excellence from the Sacred Heart University Alumni Association. That was a special afternoon for the Lombardi clan, including his wife, Pat (Keane '74), and their daughters, Karen, now 22 and a volunteer at the Covenant House in Houston, and Sara, 15, a sophomore at Trumbull High School.

Coaches



Tara Jelley

In the low-profile sport of field hockey, Tara Jelley is high profile. She has been a member of the U.S. National Team, an All-America and team captain at the University of Massachusetts, and a participant in six NCAA tournaments either as a player or an assistant coach

at Boston College and UConn. She's even played for teams abroad in England and Holland.

In early August, or just about a month prior to the start of the season, Jelley accepted the head coaching position at Sacred Heart University, making her the first full-time field hockey coach in the history of the

On the surface, her first Pioneer team was less than

successful (6-13), but those close to the program were impressed with the squad winning six of its final 10 regular-season matches and earning a No. 3 seed in the Northeast Conference's post-season tournament.

SFTH: Your team overcame a difficult start, beginning with the season-opening loss at Wake Forest, to become highly competitive. How do you account for the turnaround?

JELLEY: I've never seen a team improve so much in one year. It was such a team effort. It took awhile for the concepts we've been going over — to play as a team and work together as a team — to sink in. The senior class as a whole did an outstanding job. They had to make a lot of adjustments and sacrifices.

SFTH: Why did you schedule Wake Forest?

JELLEY: I wanted our players to see what it was like to play against one of the top teams in the country. They're now No. 2 in the country. The score, 6-0, was-

SFTH: Did any one game signify a turning point? **JELLEY:** We just needed to get a win for morale,

and that was our first win, 4-3 over Monmouth (on Sept. 24). As it turned out, that was Monmouth's only loss in the Northeast Conference. After that, we were very competitive within the conference. We won our

last four matches of the regular season and we lost to Quinnipiac, 1-0, in the NEC championships. That could have gone either way. They had beaten us, 5-1 and 3-0, during the season.

SFTH: Who played the key roles in the team's resur-

JELLEY: Our senior goalie, Ginny Capicchioni, was outstanding. She had over 100 more saves than any goalie in Division I. A freshman, Julie Messenger, made second-team all-conference and has star potential. She led us in scoring with seven goals.

SFTH: You've enjoyed considerable success in field hockey and your enthusiasm for the sport is evident.

JELLEY: My forte as a player was being scrappy. Yes, I do love the sport. Most people don't know that in Australia and Europe, field hockey is second only to soccer in popularity. I just love to compete and I've been all over the place to be a part of it.

SFTH: And now you're a head coach for the first

JELLEY: The most important thing is to give back to the sport I've gotten so much from. As a coach, I want our athletes to feel part of something, I want to help them become positive members of society through the sport.

Accomplishments

DAVID COPPOLA, Ph.D., director of programs and publications for the Center of Christian-Jewish Understanding, has assumed additional duties this fall as executive assistant to President Anthony J.

TOM CORRIGAN, Ph.D., associate professor of finance, presented a paper, "After Nine Years of Economic Expansion, is the Phillips Curve Finally Making an Appearance?" at the 50th International Atlantic Economic Conference in Charleston, S.C., on Oct. 16.

ART GERCKENS '97, manager of the Mail Center, was a recent finalist for the National Mail Center Manager of the Year Award sponsored by the U.S. Postal Service. Gerckens was instrumental in affiliating the University with the Greater Bridgeport Postal Customer Council (GSPCC), where he is a member of the executive board, and he is co-webmaster for the state's PCC web site.

DON HARRISON, senior writer in University Relations and a freelance writer, was a contributor to Inside Women's College Basketball: Anatomy of a Season, a book just released by Taylor Publishing. Harrison authored a chapter on the rise of Sacred Heart University's program from Division II also-ran to a contender in the Division I Northeast Conference.

CHRISTEL MANNING, Ph.D., assistant professor of religious studies, presented a paper entitled "Women and Power" at the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion conference in Houston on Oct. 18-22.

MICHAEL PIZZI, clinical assistant professor of occupational therapy, was the keynote speaker at the Connecticut Occupational Therapy Association's conference in early November. His topic was 'Wellness through the Millennium: The creation of Occupation." Pizzi was a busy presenter this fall. He gave a workshop, "The Entrepreneurial You," at both the Connecticut and Ohio OT associations and the "Intro to Myofascial Release" workshop at OT conferences in Ohio and New York. In Ohio, he also performed his one-man show, "Touching Humanity," which introduces 10 disabled characters through monologues and Broadway tunes.

JOHN RONEY, Ph.D., associate professor of history, presented a paper, "Education in Enlightenment Geneva: The Reformation Tradition and Jean-Jacques Rousseau," at the 16th Century Studies Conference in Cleveland on Nov. 2.

DORI TAYLOR SULLIVAN, Ph.D., the new director of Nursing Programs, was granted tenure by the University's Board of Trustees at its meeting on Oct. 24. The vote was unanimous.

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Dr. Rose's Election Night Analysis Aired by WSHU

Gary Rose, Ph.D., the University's renowned political pundit, author and chair of the Political Science Department, shared his expertise with WSHU's listening audience on Election Night.

During the 9-11 p.m. time slot, Dr. Rose analyzed the results of the state's six congressional districts as well as the one-sided Lieberman-Giordano senate race from the station's studios on campus.

"I really enjoyed doing it. The results of each race were coming in over the AP (Associated Press), and I was there to comment and analyze," he said.

Dr. Rose and news director Tandaleya Wilder also commented on updates received from WSHU reporters stationed at various campaign headquarters.

"I'm not surprised that (Christopher) Shays won, but that (Stephanie) Sanchez did so well. She's going



Dr. Gary Rose interacts with WSHU's news director, Tandaleya Wilder, during his Election Night broadcast.

to be heard from again," Dr. Rose said. "I knew the 2nd District race between Sam Gejdenson and Rob Simmons would be close, but I didn't think Gejdenson would lose. Gejdenson had served for 10 straight terms."

Tom Kuser, WSHU program director, said the station had considered airing Dr. Rose earlier in the evening, when the audience was potentially larger, but believed it was "important to wait until the polls closed before we did any speculation."

Cablevision 12 had also requested Dr. Rose's appearance on Election Night, but he had already committed to WSHU. He would welcome a return visit to the University-operated National Public Radio affiliate.

➤ ACS Chapter Honored For the fifth straight year, Sacred Heart University's student affiliate chapter of the American Chemical Society was named an "Outstanding Chapter." As was the case in 1999-2000, the University's chapter was among 31 chapters recognized among 1,000 nationwide.

Linda Farber, Ph.D., assistant professor of chemistry, serves as the chapter's advisor and Elizabeth Mangione, a senior from Valley Stream, N.Y., is the chapter pres-

➤ New Major Approved A new interdisciplinary major, Communication and Technology Studies, has been approved by the state of Connecticut for implementation next fall. James Castonguay, Ph.D., assistant professor of media studies, will serve as the program's coordinator.

➤ Discovery Nominations Sought Nominations are now being accepted for the 12th annual Discovery Awards and Scholarship Dinner, which will be held on Saturday, April 21, 2001 in the Pitt Center.

Past honorees have distinguished themselves in their careers as well as in their civic, social and religious communities, while reflecting the ideals identified in the University's Mission Statement. The 11th annual dinner, held in October 1999, attracted 350 people and raised \$200,000 for the University's scholarship programs.

To nominate an individual or organization, contact Liz Bermel, development events coordinator, at 371-7725 or email Bermel, Elizabeth.

➤ Blackburn to Exhibit Tina Blackburn, assistant professor of art and design and the new director of Art Programs, will be exhibiting her work at the Art/Place Gallery's holiday show at the Southport railroad station from Dec. 6-24. All works are originals and priced at \$100 for holiday giving.

➤ Broadstone Appointed Susan Broadstone, a member of the Ryan-Matura Library staff since 1996, has been appointed interim librarian. Prior to joining the University, she was the archives reference assistant in the Manuscripts and Archives Department at Yale University's Sterling Memorial Library.



➤ Gallery Guest Robert Fishko (left), quest speaker at The Gallery of Contemporary Art's annual fund-raiser, chats with the gallery's assistant director, Jeffery Smith, and his wife, Barbara Smith-Foy, in the Mahogany Room on Nov. 3. Fishko, of Forum Gallery in New York, was the curator for the gallery's most recent exhibit, "Contemporary Art from a Figurative Perspective."

Campus Compact Forum Held

Campus Compact's third annual Connecticut Conference and Faculty Forum on Service Learning brought 125 college and high school educators to campus on Oct. 13. The day-long event included a welcome from President Anthony J. Cernera, nearly two dozen sessions and the keynote address by Dr. Eugene Rice, director of the Forum on Faculty Roles and Rewards at the American Association of Higher Education.





Dr. Mindy Miserendino, assistant professor of psychology, discusses "Engaging Students in the Community: Enhancing the Learning Process" in her session in the Faculty Lounge.

 Dr. Jane Gangi, assistant professor of education, presents "Service Learning in Educational Foundations Courses: Developing Reflective Practitioners in Learning Communities and More" in the Mahogany Room.

Welcome, New Hires

(September-October)

MICHAEL BARRETT, women's ice hockey coach, LINDA HUDSON, from Admissions to Accounting/ Athletics

WANG CHENG, web manager, Information BONNIE SIGNORE '79, from University Relations Technology

STEPHEN DENGEL, shuttle driver, Residence Hall/Life

JODI HOUCK, administrative secretary, University Relations

MICHAEL KMETZ, plumber, Buildings & Grounds EDWARD MAHONEY '90, shuttle driver, Residence Hall/Life

PATRICIA MAURER, coordinator, admissions recruit- 10 Years

MARY MOLLOY,administrative Institutional Research

LOUDON PAGE, broadcast engineer, WSHU DOUGLAS PEARSON, assistant director, Graduate Admissions

DEBORAH SOARES, shuttle driver, Residence Hall/Life

NAOMI STAROBIN, news reporter, WSHU MARVIN WILLIAMS, set-up crew, Buildings & Grounds

CHARLES WORK, senior data base administrator, Information Technology

KEITH ZDROJOWY, board operator, WSHU

Promotions

SUSAN BROADSTONE, appointed interim University librarian

DAVID COPPOLA, Ph.D., appointed executive assistant to the President

DOLORES JENNINGS, to office manager, Stamford

Transfers

GUILLANE DALE, from President's Office to CCJU Finance & Economics

to President's Office

Anniversaries

20 Years

LORETTA WINTER '92 MAT, Philosophy & Religious Studies

NANCY ALLYN, Lisbon campus library GEORGE MCGANN, pioneer technical support coor- MICHAEL GRAHAM, WSHU Long Island studio

secretary, 5 Years

JULIE BASTARACHE, Business Office

Births

MICHELE DEPINA, Graduate Admissions, and her husband, Jose, a son, Dante Augusto, on Oct. 14,

AMY VAN BUREN, Ph.D., Psychology faculty, and her husband, John Peloso, their first child, Nicholas John Peloso, on Nov. 9, 2000.

In Memoriam

JAMES W. JOLLY, a recipient of the University's Discovery Award in 1991 for a lifetime of achievement, on Oct. 14, 2000. He was 89. After a 45-year career at Southern New England Telephone, Jolly became the first volunteer executive director of St. Vincent's Medical Center Foundation.

calendar

SPECIAL EVENTS

Dec. 5 5th Annual Nostra Aetate Awards, Park Avenue Synagogue, New York, 6:45 p.m. Honorees are the Most Rev. Theodore McCarrick, archbishop of Newark, and Rabbi David H. Lincoln, Park Avenue Synagogue. U.S. Sen. Joseph Lieberman (D-Conn.) is the featured speaker. RSVP: CCJU, 365-7592.

Dec. 16 Annual Faculty/Staff Christmas Reception, Pitt Center. Eucharistic liturgy 5 p.m., reception 6-8 p.m. RSVP by Dec. 12 to 371-7790.

ADMISSIONS

Dec. 5 Graduate Open House, Pitt Center Board Room, 4-7 p.m. Info: Kim Galiette, 365-7619.

COFFEEHOUSE SERIES

Nov. 30 Jamaican Coffeehouse, Mahogany Room, 7:30 p.m. One World is a duo specializing in Calypso, Soca and Reggae music.

Dec. 7 International Holiday Café, Mahogany Room, 7:30 p.m. This traditional event ushers in the holiday season with an international celebration of music. The CT Opera Express will present a tour of different cultures. More than 20 different desserts will be served. International/Multicultural Center. Admission, \$8; faculty & staff donation, \$5; children under 12, \$4; students, free. Info: Tina Shah, 396-

CONCERTS

Dec. 3 University Community Orchestra, Theatre, 2 p.m.

Dec. 3 Good News Gospel Choir, Theatre, 7 p.m.

Dec. 8 University and Show Choirs, Theatre, 7:30-8:30 p.m. The new choirs make their debut. Info: Pat Smith, 371-7735.

EXHIBITS

Dec. 4-Jan. 24, 2001 Art & Design Faculty Exhibit, Gallery of Contemporary Art. Opening reception, Dec. 5, 4-6 p.m. Exhibitors include Tina Blackburn,

Stefan Buda, Jack de Graffenried, Steven R. Digiovanni, Camille Eskell, Christine Goldbach, Ted Gutswa, Daniel Huydics, Janet Luongo and Ginny B. Rogers. Gallery closed for the holidays Dec. 15-Jan. 14 and Martin Luther King Day, Jan. 15. Info: Sophia Gevas, 365-7650.



Janet Luongo's mixed media work, "Four Ways of Looking at a Blackbird," is part of the Faculty Exhibit.

LECTURES

Dec. 6 "Significant Legal Issues Confronting School Administrators," Thomas Mooney, Schine, 7-10 p.m. Mooney, of the Shipman and Goodwin law firm and author of Practical Guide to Connecticut School Law, will focus on recent education law decisions and religious issues in public schools. Concludes Distinguished Lectures in Education series. Info: Dr. Stephen Rubin, 365-7653.

THEATRE

Dec. 29-30-31 "Sound of Music," Rodgers & Hammerstein's bountiful musical, Theatre. Also Jan. 5-6-7 and Jan. 12-13-14. Tickets: \$20, seniors/children \$17. Group rates available. Box Office: 374-2777.

Events free unless otherwise noted.

Athletics

For ticket information and schedule confirmation, call (203) 365-7601 or 396-8125.

Men's Basketball Coach: Dave Bike '69

December	and the second s	
2/Sat	Fairleigh Dickinson*	2 p.m.
7Thu	at Robert Morris*	7:30 p.m.
9/Sat	at St. Francis (Pa.)	7 p.m.
at Stanfor	rd Tournament	
18/Mon	vs. Stanford	6:30 p.m.
19/Tue	vs. Georgia Tech or Idaho St.	TBA
30/Sat	at Maine	1 p.m.
*Northeast	Conference	

Women's Basketball Coach: Ed Swanson '89

Decembe	r	
2/Sat	at Lehigh	5:30 p.m.
4/Mon	Georgetown	7:30 p.m.
9/Sat	at Wagner*	1:30 p.m.
at LaSalle	Tournament	
29/Fri	vs. Morgan St.	TBA
30/Sat	vs. LaSalle or Canisius	TBA
*Northeas	t Conference	

Men's Ice Hockey Coach: Shaun Hannah

December at Fairfield* 2/Sat 8 p.m.

3/Sun	at Bentley*	5:30 p.m.
5/Tue	at Holy Cross	6 p.m.
8/Fri	Fairfield*	7 p.m.
*Metro At	tlantic Athletic Conference	•

Women's Ice Hockey Coach: Michael Barrett

1/Fri	Wesleyan*	7 p.m.
2/Sat	Connecticut Coll*	7 p.m.
8/Fri	at Middlebury*	7 p.m.
12/Tue	at Manhattanville	7 p.m.

Wrestling Coach: Brian Reardon

Decembe	r	
3/Sun	Millersville	12 p.m.
9/Sat	at Binghamton Duals	10 a.m.
28/Thu-29	9/Fri at Sunshine Open	10 a.m.

Home games/matches in bold.

Final Fall Sports Results

	Conterence		Overali		11		
	W	L	T	W	L	T	
Field Hockey	5	5		6	13		
Football	7	1		10	1		
Men's Soccer	1	7	2	1	12	4	
Women's Soccer	3	4	3	6	8	4	
Men's Tennis				1	1		
Women's Tennis				1	3		
Women's Volleyball	1	8		7	24		

Women's Basketball Will Visit Ireland

The women's basketball team will become just the second Sacred Heart University athletic team to travel abroad when it visits Ireland next August.

The 11-day, 10-night preseason trip will include five games against Irish opponents, with the possibility of the Irish National Team becoming part of the schedule. The trip will serve as a homecoming for Kate Maher, a native of Waterford, Ireland and a freshman forward on the current Pioneer team.

"We had talked to other schools that had taken their teams abroad, Harvard, Monmouth, Rider, and they all said it really helped their kids in a lot of ways," said Coach Ed Swanson '89. "We're also talking to the History Department about our kids doing independent study while they're there."

Last March, the men's volleyball team made the quantum leap across the Atlantic by competing in the Czech Republic during Spring Break.

The first of several fundraisers, the Women's Basketball Golf Tournament at the D. Fairchild Wheeler Golf Course on Aug. 28, netted \$3,000 for the women's journey. More than 75 people attended the post-tournament reception at Eric & Michael's Angus Steakhouse in Fairfield.

According to Swanson, the cost for the Aug. 16-27 trip, including players, coaching staff, trainer and manager, is in the \$40,000 range. For information or to make a donation, contact Swanson (365-7698) or Mark Adzigian at 365-7601. ■

SHU Forum

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ious aspects of the Catholic intellectual tradition. In separate working sessions, participants were organized according to their field of specialty to discuss the practical applications with their peers. The weekend also included liturgies and prayer services.

"This conference served a unique role as we look to the future of Catholic higher education," said Anthony J. Cernera, Ph.D., Sacred Heart University president. "Not only did we examine the underlying premise of Catholic universities - our rich intellectual tradition - but participants were given the opportunity to move beyond rhetoric through practical discussions with their peers. As institutions of Catholic higher education continue to face the challenges of their unique mission and identity, ongoing conversation about this issue is essential."

Friday evening's panel discussion explored the theme, "Stewards of the Tradition." The opening speaker was the Rev. Robert Imbelli, a Yale-educated Ph.D. and associate professor of theology at Boston College.

He was joined by Kathleen Mahoney, Ph.D., an assistant professor of education at Boston College; David O'Brien, Ph.D., a professor of history at Holy Cross College; Margaret O'Brien Steinfels, editor of Commonweal magazine; and Brian Stiltner, Ph.D., assistant professor of religious studies at Sacred Heart University and director of the University's Hersher Institute for Applied Ethics.

Saturday morning's keynote presentation, "Developing the Tradition," was offered by the Rev. Michael J. Himes, Ph.D., a professor of theology at Boston College. In a wide-ranging presentation laced with humor and erudition, he noted the importance of the First Commandment for Catholic educators.

Saturday afternoon's plenary session, "Maintaining the Tradition," was led by Yale Professor Michele Dillon, Ph.D., a native of Ireland. She presented an analysis of research she had performed on the meaning and implications of Catholic higher education from the viewpoints of presidents, chief academic officers and faculty members. It provoked lively discussion from the floor. The results of the survey will be tabulated by Sacred Heart University for later distribution.

The Rev. Frans Jozef van Beeck, John Cardinal Cody Professor of Sacred Theology at Loyola University in Chicago, made the conference's closing presentation on Sunday morning. Providing what he called "food for faithful thought and thoughtful faith," he explored the theme, "Teaching as Vocation."

Sacred Heart University Press is planning to publish the second volume in a series, Examining the Catholic Intellectual Tradition: Issues and Perspectives, a book of essays based on conference discussions and focused on the application of the tradition to a variety of academic disciplines.