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Name Change

Loyola College in Maryland will start the upcoming school year with a new name: Loyola University Maryland. The Baltimore university voted unan-



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imously in March in favor of the name change, which more accurately reflects the “comprehensive institution” it is today, says Loyola president Fr. Brian Linnane, SJ.

The university comprises the College of Arts and Sciences and the Sellinger School of Business and Management and has twenty graduate programs whose students account for about 40 percent of Loyola’s 6,000 students.

Pontifical Biblical Institute Celebrates Centenary

The Pontifical Biblical Institute began a yearlong celebration of its 100th anniversary on May 7 with a ceremony and liturgy at the Church of St. Ignatius in Rome, presided by Cardinal Zenon Grocholewski, grand chancellor of the institute.

The Pontifical Biblical Institute, a university-level institution of the Holy See, was established by Pope Pius X; he designated it as “a center of higher studies for Sacred Scripture in the city of Rome and of all related studies according to the spirit of the Catholic Church” and entrusted the institute to the Society of Jesus.

Celebratory events throughout the year include an international meeting of the Biblical Literature Society and a meeting of the Catholic Biblical Association of the United States.

Solar Power and Spirituality

Fr. Bert Otten, SJ, moved to Zambia in 2005 after retiring as professor of electrical engineering from Seattle University. Now, at age 76, he develops “appropriate technology”—technology that can be sustained by local people with local materials—for a village there.

In an area where supplies are scarce and technology scarcer, Otten must get creative to come up with solutions for villagers. He built an LED light from a cardboard toilet paper roll and an inside-out potato chip bag; instead of batteries, he crafts solar panels for power.

Otten was recognized for his work on March 13 by the University of Missouri, which presented him with the Missouri Honor Award for Distinguished Service in Engineering.

For a full article on Otten’s work in Zambia, visit www.columbiatribune.com and search for “Jesuit engineer.”



March Madness

Four Jesuit schools were represented at this year's NCAA men's basketball tournament: Xavier University (Cincinnati), Gonzaga University (Spokane), Boston College, and Marquette University (Milwaukee). Boston College and Marquette made early departures; Xavier and Gonzaga made it to the Sweet Sixteen before losing to Pittsburgh and North Carolina, respectively.

The University of Detroit Mercy hosted the tournament's Final Four rounds. Hundreds of UDM students, faculty, staff, and alumni volunteered as staffers at events surrounding the semifinal and championship games, which included a Sports Career & College Expo featuring talks by UDM student-athletes, a sports writing seminar for college and high school journalists, and several charity events and basketball clinics.

The UDM basketball team also made an appearance: ESPN analyst Jay Bilas had players illustrate the Final Four teams' plays for segments that aired throughout the weekend.

GREG RUST



On the Run in Boston



Boston College's John McLaughlin

Among the 23,000 runners who crossed the finish line during this year's Boston Marathon in April was one runner on a mission. When John McLaughlin made it past Heartbreak Hill, around mile 22, he passed by Boston College, his alma mater and current place of employment. He'd run three marathons before, but this time he ran to raise money and awareness for the Jesuit Refugee Service.

"I was in the Jesuit Volunteer Corps for a while after graduating from Boston College, and I gained a special appreciation for Jesuit organizations and the good they do. Then, a couple of years ago, I saw some people in the London Marathon running on behalf of the Jesuit Refugee Service, and that planted a seed," he says.

McLaughlin, married and the father of three, works in BC's IT department and is a parishioner at St. Ignatius in Chestnut Hill. He raised over \$4,900 from 151 people, including fellow employees at BC and parishioners.

—Alice Poltorick



Jesuit Wines Debut in the U.S.

Loyola Productions is now selling Inigo, a new line of Jesuit-produced wines from Ignatius Cellars in Australia. The winery, located in Clare Valley in South Australia, was established by Jesuits in 1851 to produce sacramental wine.

The Inigo label includes a Shiraz, a Cabernet Sauvignon, and a Riesling, all from the region and all priced at \$20 per bottle. Proceeds support Loyola Productions and the ongoing mission of the Society of Jesus. For more information and to order, visit www.loyolaproductions.com/inigo.

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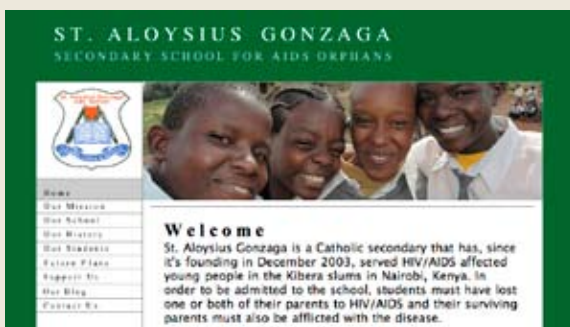
A Jesuit thesis print dating to 1753 was recently acquired by Princeton University. Jesuit thesis prints were commonly produced by Jesuit colleges on the occasion of a student's final defense of his thesis. The prints were distributed to the audience and served as a program for audience members to follow the progress of the defense and to take home as a souvenir.

This particular thesis print commemorates the defense of theses in rational philosophy by Joannes Antonius Dominicus Verhulst of Bruges on March 4, 1753, at the Jesuit College Aquicinctinus in Douai, France. It measures 28 inches by 43 inches and, as was typical, combines the text of his thesis with a thematically related image of the Judgment of Solomon.

The print can be viewed in greater detail on *Company's* web site:

www.companymagazine.org/media/thesis

web sites of interest



www.sagnairobi.org

St. Aloysius Gonzaga School in Nairobi serves high school students from the city's Kibera district, the largest slum in Africa, whose parents are suffering from or have died of AIDS. The school web site features videos, podcasts, and journal entries by Fr. Terry Charlton, SJ, that tell the stories of St. Al's students.



www.jesuits-mis.org/PublicationsResources/MidwestJesuitArchives/OnlineResources.aspx

The resources page of the Midwest Jesuit Archives features primary-source historical collections including the Nicolas Point Gallery, a collection of sketches and watercolors by Jesuit Nicolas Point (1799–1868) depicting Jesuit missionaries among the Native Americans.



STEVE DONISCH



New Provincial, New Provinces

Fr. Timothy Kesicki, SJ, provincial of the Jesuits' Detroit Province, will become the provincial of the Chicago Province as well. Kesicki will assume his additional role this July.

Kesicki served as president of St. Ignatius High School in Cleveland before becoming the Detroit provincial in July 2008. He will succeed Fr. Edward Schmidt, SJ, as Chicago provincial.

His "dual" appointment is part of a reorganization of Jesuit provinces that will be taking place over the next several years. The Chicago, Detroit, and Wisconsin provinces will become one province, as will the Missouri and New Orleans provinces. The Maryland, New York, and New England provinces will be joining, while the California and Oregon provinces will remain as they are.

While the administrative and legal details are being worked out, all the provinces will be actively seeking ways to cooperate with one another.

Building and Breaking Bridges

Something's weighing on Loyola Academy (Wilmette, Ill.) senior Christopher Pastuovic's mind: when his bridge will bust. Loyola sponsors an annual contest for budding structural engineers who build, then break, their creations. Bridges span two blocks and weights are dangled below. As the weights go up, so do the tension and fun. Kudos go to the bridge with the highest structural efficiency (calculated by dividing the total weight the bridge can support by the bridge's weight).

Loyola's John Hoover, who took first place at the Loyola competition and also at a regional competition, moved on to finals at Bellingham High School in Bellingham, Washington. His bridge, which weighed in at under nine ounces, supported 145 pounds and earned Hoover sixth place and an architectural merit award.

BY THE Numbers

Jesuits Worldwide

18,516 (down 304 from 2008)

Brothers	1,675
Novices	809
Priests	13,112
Scholastics	2,920

Geographically

Europe	5,571
North America	3,531
Central and South America	2,300
South and East Asia	5,687
Africa	1,427

100 Years Later: The Laymen's League

One hundred years ago this July at Fordham's Rose Hill campus, the lay retreat movement was founded by Fr. Terence Shealy, SJ. Eighteen men gathered for Shealy's first retreat, and from there his program gained momentum: by 1916 nearly 1,000 lay Catholics were attending retreats each year as part of the Laymen's League for Retreats and Social Studies.

Shealy's vision for the league was to develop retreats alongside a school for social studies. Together, the two would provide apostolic training for Catholic men and women.

The movement stalled after Shealy's death in 1922, but his influence remains. More than 400 lay Catholics participated in this year's Conference on Ignatian Spirituality, which explored the theme "The Principle and the Foundation: Who We Are Before God."