



### Canisius Accreditation Reaffirmed by Middle States Commission on Higher Education

Canisius College's regional accreditation was reaffirmed by the Middle States Association Commission on Higher Education, following an April visit of a nine-person team, led by John Convey, PhD, Provost of Catholic University of America.

The Commission is the unit of the association that accredits degree-granting colleges and universities in the Middle States region. It examines institutions on 14 standards, which touch on every aspect of its operations and mission.

Canisius received special commendation on four standards: for clearly affirming its Catholic and Jesuit mission and identity; for the leadership of its Board of Trustees in strategic planning; for the stability of its senior administration; and for being a campus "welcoming to all religions."

"Canisius is extremely pleased with the outcome of the Middle States visit," said Herbert J. Nelson, PhD, vice president for academic affairs. "We had an excellent visiting team that was clearly able to perceive the significant accomplishments of the college over the past decade."

The Middle States Commission on Higher Education (3624 Market St., Philadelphia, PA 19104, 267-284-5000) is an agency recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the U.S. Secretary of Education for accrediting activities in the Middle States region.

### Schuster '07 Named a Goldwater Scholar

Canisius College junior Roseanne Schuster '07 is the recipient of a prestigious Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship. Schuster was among 1100 undergraduates, nationwide, who applied for the Goldwater Scholarship and the first Canisius student to ever receive the award. Recipients are selected on the basis of academic merit from a field of math, science and engineering students.

A biology major (3.9 GPA), Schuster plans to pursue a PhD in environmental toxicology. She currently conducts research on Lake Erie toxins with Paula Dehn, PhD, chair of the Biology Department. Schuster says her ultimate research goals are "to ensure a healthier life for people through increased awareness of environmental hazards, strengthened restrictions on pollution, and clear warnings regarding consumption of potentially contaminated organisms."

Schuster received a two-year scholarship from the Barry Goldwater foundation, which covers the cost of college tuition, fees, books, room and board, up to a maximum of \$7500 a year.

The Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship was named in honor of the late Senator Barry Goldwater to foster and encourage outstanding students to pursue careers in the fields of math, the natural sciences and engineering. Up to 300 grants are awarded each year.



Roseanne Schuster '07

### Board of Trustees Elects Eight New Members

Eight new members of the Canisius College Board of Trustees began their tenure on July 1. Members are elected to the Board, and formulate and recommend policy to Canisius President Rev. Vincent M. Cooke, S.J. They serve three-year terms. This year's incoming members are:



**Kathy (Mersmann) Balus**  
Chair & President  
Pioneer Credit Recovery Inc.



**John R. Connolly '72**  
Senior Vice President/CFO  
Byram Healthcare



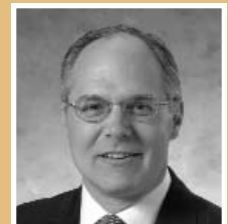
**R. Carlos Carballada '56**  
Director  
M&T Bank Corporation, M&T Bank



**Thomas P. Dowd '71**  
Executive Vice President/CFO  
Cushman & Wakefield Inc.



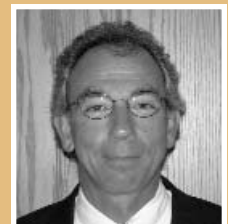
**Edward Burke Carey '69**  
President/CEO  
Carey/Falor Realty Partners



**Paul J. Kolkmeier '75**  
President/CEO  
First Niagara Financial Group Inc.



**Anthony J. Colucci Jr. '55, Esq.**  
Senior Counsel  
Block, Colucci, Notaro & Laing PC



**David Noto '76 (ex-officio)**  
President/Owner  
Noto Insurance Agency



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## College Relations on the Move

This summer, 18 members of the college relations division moved their offices from the second floor of Lyons Hall to a new location at 23 Agassiz Drive (corner of Agassiz and Parkside). Those people and offices relocated include Vice President for College Relations John J. Hurley '78, along with the staffs of development, corporate and foundation relations, endowed scholarships and prospect research. The offices of alumni relations and annual fund will remain on the second floor of Lyons Hall with public relations and creative services.

The vacated space in Lyons Hall is now home to faculty offices for the Political Science Department. The building at 23 Agassiz Drive most recently housed the offices of the Sisters of Saint Joseph.

College relations also welcomed two new people to its team this summer. **Marisa Wegrzyn '00** accepted the position of assistant director of alumni relations at Canisius. Wegrzyn comes to the college from the Roswell Park Alliance Foundation, where she served as a special events coordinator.

Canisius alumni can expect to interact with Wegrzyn as she assists the alumni director in enhancing the local and regional alumni chapter programs and services.

**Erica C. Surbone Sammarco '00** is the new director of corporate foundations and relations at Canisius College. Sammarco is responsible for obtaining corporate and foundation support for departmental, school and college-wide initiatives. She comes to Canisius from the URS Corporation where she worked as a proposal coordinator.



**Marisa Wegrzyn '00**



**Erica C. Surbone Sammarco '00**

## Peter Canisius Distinguished University Professor, John J. LaFalce '61, HON. '90, PRESENTS:

### BANKING AND CONSUMERS

**Julie Williams**

Acting Comptroller of the Currency

*September 14, 2005 / 4:00 p.m.*

Grupp Fireside Lounge, Richard E. Winter '42 Student Center

### OUR INDIVIDUAL AND COLLECTIVE RESPONSIBILITY TO CARE FOR THE SICK

**Rev. Michael Place**

Past President & CEO

Catholic Health Association of the United States

*September 20, 2005 / 7:30 p.m.*

Montante Cultural Center

### THE SARBANES-OXLEY LAW

**Paul Sarbanes, U.S. Senator**

Chairman, Senate Committee, Banking, Securities and Housing

*October 3, 2005 / 4:00 p.m.*

Grupp Fireside Lounge, Richard E. Winter '42 Student Center

### THE ROLE OF CHAPLIN TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**Rev. Daniel Coughlin**

First Catholic Chaplain, U.S. House of Representatives

*November 14, 2005 / 7:30 p.m.*

Grupp Fireside Lounge, Richard E. Winter '42 Student Center

## The Canisius College Contemporary Writers Series

## PRESENTS:

**Tracy Kidder**

\*Pulitzer Prize-Winning Author

*My Detachment*

*\*The Soul of a New Machine*

*October 13, 2005 / 8:00 p.m.*

Montante Cultural Center

For a complete list of upcoming events at Canisius, visit

[www.canisius.edu/newsevents](http://www.canisius.edu/newsevents)