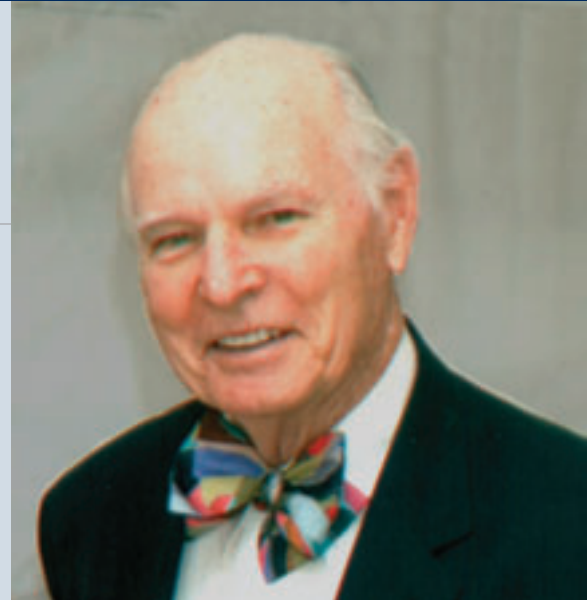


Donor Profile

PETER A. VOGT HON '02



\$1 Million Gift from Jesuit Community Supports Canisius Scholarship

The Jesuit community presented a \$1 million gift to Canisius College this summer. The gift will serve as the basis of a challenge grant to the college's alumni to increase giving to the college's annual fund campaign. Once the challenge is completed, the Jesuit Community gift will support the Jesuits of Loyola Hall Scholarship Fund and the college's Urban Leadership Learning Community Program.

"It is fitting that the Jesuit community has designated their generous gift to benefit the students of Canisius College through these scholarship opportunities," says Canisius President

Rev. Vincent M. Cooke, S.J. "Since 1870, the Jesuits have devoted their lives to their students. A Jesuit education is synonymous with the highest intellectual standards and provides the foundation for our students to become leaders in all walks of life."

Established in 1988, the Jesuits of Loyola Hall Scholarship Fund supports the brightest students, who apply for admission from Buffalo-area Catholic high schools or Jesuit high schools around the country. The ULLCP enables the best students from Buffalo's inner-city to obtain a Canisius education and become the next generation of leaders in Buffalo.

"Our gift directly supports the college's mission to educate and care for those who are most in need," says **Rev. Michael F. Tunney, S.J.**, rector of the Jesuit community. "It will keep the dream of a Canisius education affordable for the best graduates from Jesuit high schools around the country and for young leaders emerging from Buffalo high schools. My Jesuit brothers and I are delighted to teach and help these students."

The Canisius Jesuit Community is home to 24 Jesuits who are affiliated with Canisius College, Canisius High School and various pastoral ministries in the Buffalo diocese. Jesuit salaries are pooled, funds are subtracted for collective living expenses and any surplus is invested and returned to Jesuit-related projects. The Jesuit's gift represents revenue from their collective salaries and additional investments.

Loyal Friend Commits \$1 Million to Canisius

The academic experience for Canisius College students will be enriched for years to come, thanks to the generosity of **Peter A. Vogt HON '02**. The local philanthropist committed \$1 million to the college in July. The gift will be used to establish the Peter A. Vogt Scholarship Program.

"The Canisius community is grateful to Peter for his tremendous support and generosity," says Canisius President **Rev. Vincent M. Cooke, S.J.** "The Vogt Scholarship Program will be a key part of our strategy to recruit the best possible students to Canisius who can truly enhance the intellectual life of the campus. We expect that Vogt Scholars will be leaders in every sense of the word."

Vogt scholarships will be awarded to students who qualify for the college's

highest merit-based scholarships. Students must demonstrate academic merit, leadership potential and the ability to inspire their fellow students by example in the classroom and in the college community.

"Canisius has been a wonderful asset to our community and I am pleased to be able to play a part in helping the college recruit high-achieving students, who can become leaders in our community," says Vogt.

Though he was never a student at Canisius, Vogt is a loyal friend of the college. In 1999, he and his late wife, Mary Lou, made a generous gift to the *Imagine Canisius* campaign that resulted in the construction of the Vogt Art Studio in Lyons Hall and art galleries located on the first floor of the Bouwhuis Library. The couple also served as the gracious hosts

at several Florida alumni receptions. Vogt's daughter, **Mary Kathryn Schneider '74**, is a Canisius Trustee. For their generosity, the college conferred honorary degrees to Peter and Mary Lou in 2002.

Vogt is former vice president of sales and marketing for Greater Buffalo Press Corp. and former president of the Burchfield-Penny Art Center.

Cummings Foundation Supports Science Center at Canisius

Buffalo's **James H. Cummings Foundation** presented Canisius with a \$500,000 gift in support of the college's interdisciplinary science center. Payable over three years, the Cummings gift will assist with the purchase, renovation and development of technology-enhanced classrooms and laboratories, including five interdisciplinary research training groups. These specially designed spaces will promote faculty-student research and new curricular initiatives in the areas of bioinformatics, cellular/molecular biology, analytical chemistry, neuroscience and quantitative science.

"The Cummings Foundation has been a great supporter of the college's science program for many years," says Canisius President **Rev. Vincent M. Cooke, S.J.** "Their extremely generous gift marks the first commitment from a local foundation to support our science center project."

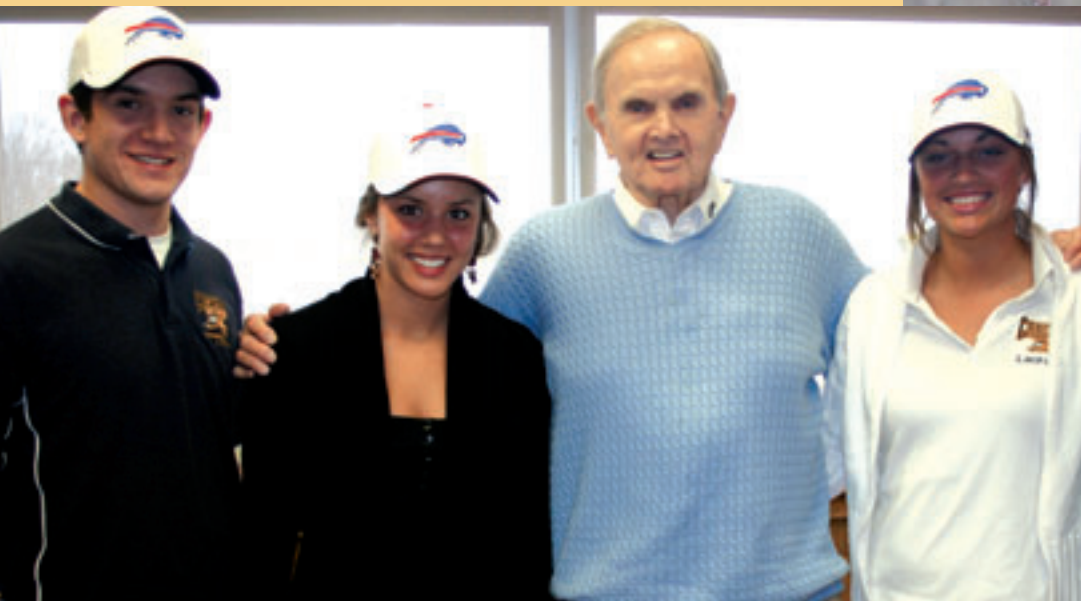
The James H. Cummings Foundation was established in 1962 with funds from the estate of James H. Cummings, who was a prominent manufacturer of pharmaceuticals with operations in Buffalo, NY and Toronto, ON. One of the foundation's missions is to further medical science, research and education.

"The interdisciplinary science center is a great investment in the education of future doctors, scientists and educators in our region," noted William L. Joyce, executive director of the Cummings Foundation. "It is also a great investment in the central corridor of Buffalo. The directors of the Cummings Foundation are proud and enthusiastic to support it."

The interdisciplinary science center at Canisius will be developed in what is presently the HealthNow building and parking pavilion at 1901 Main Street. The college is scheduled to acquire the building in early 2008. The anticipated cost of the project is \$47 million.

Members of The Rev. James M. Demske, S.J., Society enjoyed a piano recital at the Montante Cultural Center. The concert was part of the ArtsCanisius Informally-Formal concert series and featured guest pianist Irène Polya. The Demske Society was established in 1982, and is comprised of individuals who include Canisius College in their estate plans.

Among those who attended the concert and a private reception that preceded the recital were (l-r) **Rosemary E. Kersten MS '80**, **Elizabeth A. Schaefer '43** and Joyce Fink.



Recipients of a Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Sports Scholarship met with the Buffalo Bills owner at his Orchard Park office. The scholarship is awarded each year to four, academically deserving, Canisius student-athletes from Western New York or Southern Ontario.

Pictured (l-r) are **Michael Blocho '08** (accounting, men's lacrosse); **Megan Smith '10** (accounting, swimming); Ralph C. Wilson Jr.; and **Bobbi Jo Harris '09** (childhood education, women's lacrosse). Not pictured: **Kevin O'Donnell '09** (physical education, health).

Misko and Hartnett New to Development Team



DENNIS L. MISKO '67

The Development Office in the Division of College Relations appointed two new members to its development team. **Dennis L. Misko '67** was named senior development officer and **Erin E. Hartnett** was named development officer. In these roles, Misko and Hartnett will raise funds to support such campus-wide priorities as the interdisciplinary science center, academic programs, endowed chairs and professorships, and endowed scholarships.



ERIN E. HARTNETT

Misko comes to the position with nearly 40 years experience in strategic planning, operations and turnaround situations. Most recently, he was district manager of Burlington Coat Factory, where he oversaw merchandising and operations for the district's 18 stores in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Kentucky.

Misko, a former Golden Griffin basketball player, is also the former president and chair of the board for the Greater Erie Area Chamber of Commerce and former president of the Greater Erie Area Visitors and Convention Bureau.

Hartnett came to Canisius in summer 2002 as director of alumni relations. In that role, she led the college's local, regional and national alumni programs, further developed and increased the number of alumni chapters, and successfully organized and executed various alumni events.

Hartnett is an alumna of John Carroll University, and a member of Buffalo 2032 and the Holy Angels Academy Alumnae Association.

Regents Ball Raises Significant Scholarship Funds

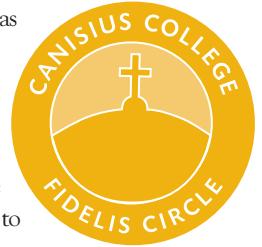


Pictured (l-r): Regents Ball Chairs Robert Sanborn and his wife, Mary Collins Sanborn, pose with Canisius President Rev. Vincent M. Cooke, S.J., Distinguished Citizen Achievement Award recipient Nancy Naples O'Neill HON '02, and her husband, Thomas H. O'Neill '63, at the Canisius College Regents Ball.

Approximately \$50,000 in Regents Scholarships will be awarded to students in the upcoming academic year, thanks to events such as the Regents Scholarship Ball. Held on May 5, the annual event raises significant funds that provide financial support to promising young students, who otherwise would not be able to take advantage of a Canisius education. The current market value of the Regents Scholarship fund is \$1.1 million.

Support Canisius: Become a Member of Fidelis Circle

The Canisius College Annual Fund recently introduced The Fidelis Circle. Designed exclusively for donors who commit \$1,870 (for 1870, the year Canisius was founded) or more to the annual fund, per year, for five consecutive years, this new giving level allows members to have their Leadership Society gift automatically renewed each year. Members also receive exclusive communication about the growth and status of the college, and invitations to preferred campus events.



In its first year, Fidelis Circle membership surpassed expectations and reached a monumental \$1.2 million in commitments from 59 charter members. The momentum created by Fidelis Circle members is integral to the success of Canisius as it provides a steady, assuring foundation for new initiatives and growth at the college.

"My gift to the annual fund provides a lifetime of returns for students by enhancing their experiences inside and outside the classroom" says **Robert Wunsch '76**. "As a Fidelis member, I help make that possible and more."

This year, the annual fund treated its charter members to limited edition Fidelis Circle pins and wine from Rooster Hill Vineyards, which is owned and operated by **Amy '82** and **David '86 Hoffman**.

For more information about Fidelis Circle, contact **Amy Johnson**, director of the annual fund, at 716-888-3145.

Annual Fund Sets Another Record

For the fourth consecutive year, the Canisius College Annual Fund surpassed its campaign goal. This year, a record 9,000-plus alumni, students, parents, faculty, staff, friends and businesses supported the fund, to help raise more than \$2.3 million in pledges, gifts and in-kind donations. The support enabled Canisius to surpass its \$2.29 million goal by \$13,000.

"The advancement of Canisius College is a priority in my life," says **Thomas G. Smith '71** (pictured below), chair of the Annual Fund Campaign Cabinet. "I am thrilled to see that it is just as important to our donors."

Gifts to the annual fund play a critical role at Canisius every year. Every dollar donated supports financial aid, faculty resources and retention, activities outside the classroom and general administrative costs.

Next year's annual fund goal is \$2.45 million. The campaign is already underway and ends May 31, 2008.

