



The calendar says summer and, for me, that has meant a two-week sojourn to the New Jersey shore to recharge my batteries. But summer is also a very busy time at Canisius in which we complete the business of the semester just ended and prepare for the new semester that begins at the end of August.

This summer, we're heartened by very positive undergraduate enrollment (see p. 4). We were able to close the class in early June, the earliest date in recent history. Our residence halls will be near capacity as 72 percent of the incoming freshmen will be living on campus.

We're also welcoming new administrators and faculty to campus, chief among them is Scott A. Chadwick, PhD, our new vice president for academic affairs, who arrived in early July and is already making his presence felt on the campus. We also welcome back to Canisius, Terri L. Mangione, PhD, as our new dean of students, (see p. 4). She replaces Cary M. Anderson, EdD, who became the vice president for student life at St. Joseph's University.

While we welcome the new, we are also planning to celebrate the venerable Rev. Paul J. Dugan, S.J., with the dedication of the spectacular new residence hall on Eastwood Place as Dugan Hall (see p. 10). This dedication is a special tribute to Father Dugan from the family of Carl '64 and Carol Montante, who in 2005 made the largest gift in the history of the college, a \$5.1 million commitment. A longtime resident of Frisch Hall and the moderator of athletics at Canisius, Father Dugan has been a friend, counselor and priest to thousands of Canisius students. I look forward to participating in this wonderful tribute to a dear friend on September 28 on the campus. Please plan to be with us.

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