

National Search Underway for New Athletics Director

A national search is underway for a new director of athletics, following the resignation of Timothy J. Dillon. Both Dillon and Associate Athletics Director Marshall Foley resigned from their posts after an internal investigation into a December incident in North Dakota, involving the men's hockey team.

As a result of what was learned from the investigation, four student-athletes were suspended for two games. The college also requested and received the resignation of Foley. Foley was the senior Athletics Department official who accompanied the team on the trip, following the December dismissal of Head Hockey Coach Brian Cavanaugh, due to irreconcilable differences.

"Ultimately, I bear responsibility for the supervision of the athletics program, and Father Cooke and I agreed that Canisius would best be served by new leadership in the Athletics Department," says Dillon, who was hired in April 2000 and operating under a five-year contract, due to expire in June 2006.

During his tenure, Dillon presided over a period of great change in Canisius athletics, the most

significant being the college's decision to realign its athletics program by reducing the number of sports programs from 23 to 16 and redirecting the money from those programs to the remaining sports. Dillon also placed high emphasis on the academic performance and personal development of Canisius student-athletes by instituting the CHAMPS/Life Skills program and placing greater emphasis on the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. He led the renovation of the arena within the college's Koessler Athletic Center and served as co-director of the 2003 NCAA Division I Ice Hockey Frozen Four Tournament held at HSBC Arena. Under Dillon's leadership, Canisius also co-hosted the NCAA men's basketball opening round games at HSBC Arena in 2004 and was awarded a bid to co-host the opening round in 2007.

Associate Athletics Director of External Affairs John Maddock will oversee the day-to-day operations of the Athletics Department until Dillon's replacement is named. Clancy Seymour is serving as interim coach of the men's hockey team.

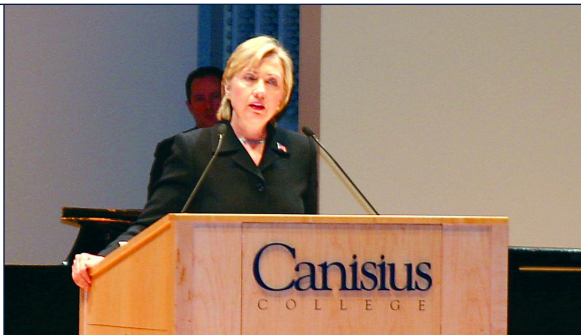
Sabres' Owner, Tom Golisano, to Receive Distinguished Citizen Award at Regents Ball



B. Thomas Golisano will receive the Regents Distinguished Citizen Achievement Award at the Board's 39th annual Scholarship Ball, Saturday, May 14 at the Hyatt Regency. He will be recognized for his civic, entrepreneurial and economic contributions to the Western New York region.

Golisano is chairman and director of Paychex Inc., a leading, national provider of comprehensive payroll, and integrated human resource and employee benefit outsourcing solutions for small to medium-sized businesses. In 2003, Golisano purchased the Buffalo Sabres NHL franchise and preserved the team's standing in the WNY community.

The Regents Scholarship Ball helps provide financial support to promising young students, who otherwise would not be able to take advantage of a Canisius education. To reserve your seat, contact Marion A. Mittler, director of endowed scholarships, at 716-888-2715.



U.S. Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton

(D-NY) spoke to a standing-room-only crowd in the Montante Cultural Center on January 31, as part of the college's Governmental Role in Effectuating the Corporal Works of Mercy Lecture Series. Clinton addressed the governmental role in caring for the sick and said "it is the moral responsibility of individuals, people of faith and especially the government to help ensure that Americans get the proper health care."

The visit to Canisius by New York's junior senator garnered world-wide media attention because Clinton fainted at an earlier appearance in Buffalo.

upcoming events

Canisius College Contemporary Writers Series

April 4, 2005 | 8:00 p.m.
Montante Cultural Center
GARRISON KEILLOR, *host and writer of "A Prairie Home Companion"*

The Canisius College Program in the African American Experience

April 14, 2005 | 7:30 p.m.
Horan-O'Donnell Science Building, Room 107
LAWRENCE GUYOT, *chair of the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party*

April 20, 2005 | 7:30 p.m.
Regis Room
DAVID GARROW, *former senior advisor for Eyes on the Prize, an award-winning PBS documentary on the history of the Civil Rights Movement*

Distinguished Business Leaders Series

April 11, 2005 | 5:30 p.m.
Grupp Fireside Lounge
JOHN J. SWEENEY, *president, AFL-CIO*

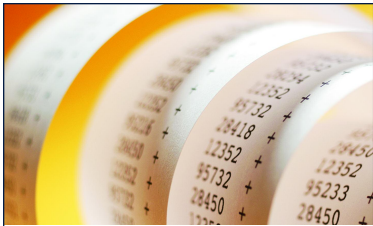
April 18, 2005 | 4:00 p.m.
Grupp Fireside Lounge
SUSAN SCHMIDT BIES, *member of the Federal Reserve Board of Governors*

Conversations in Christ & Culture Lecture Series

April 14, 2005 | 7:30 p.m.
Regis Room
LAMIN SANNEH, PhD, *D. Willis James Professor of Missions and World Christianity at Yale University*

April 21, 2005 | 7:30 p.m.
Regis Room
JOHN HART, PhD, *professor of ethics at Boston University School of Theology*

For a complete list of upcoming events at Canisius, visit www.canisius.edu/newsevents.



Accounting Students: Asset to Canisius

FOR THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR, graduates of the college's accounting program have scored high marks on the New York State Certified Public Accountant (CPA) Exam.

The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) announced that Canisius accounting graduates who hold advanced degrees ranked number one in the state on the November 2003 CPA Exam, with an overall passing rate of 62.5 percent. This ranking includes number one in both financial reporting sections. Additionally, Canisius accounting graduates who hold bachelor's degrees ranked number three, overall, in the state.

Canisius College Magazine reported in fall 2003 that undergraduates from the Canisius accounting program scored the highest passing rate on the auditing portion of the November 2002 CPA Exam, and earned the second highest overall pass rate in New York State on all four parts of the exam.

Civil Rights Pioneer, Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth, to Address Class of 2005

They studied his work in history class and watched documentaries about his life but this May the Class of 2005 will hear directly from civil rights pioneer **Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth**, when he delivers the undergraduate commencement ceremony address.



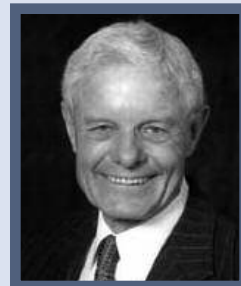
Shuttlesworth is widely-recognized for challenging the segregation laws of the South, nearly a decade before Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. brought international attention to the Civil Rights Movement. His activities led him to

be arrested 25 times and made him a popular target amongst white racists. Historians say were it not for Shuttlesworth's "fearless advocacy of racial justice," there would not have been a Civil Rights Act of 1964 or a Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Shuttlesworth will address graduates at 11:00 a.m. on May 21 at U.B.'s Alumni Arena.

On May 18 at the Koessler Athletic Center, one of New York State's renowned fiscal watchdogs will address graduate students from the Class of 2005.

The Honorable **Edward V. Regan** is a former Erie County executive who went on to become a four-term comptroller for New York State. During his tenure, he reformed accounting, financial reporting and borrowing systems, and developed corporate governance and performance methods, which now serve as benchmarks for fiscal managers throughout the country.



Most recently, Regan served as president of Baruch College, where he founded the Center for Corporate Integrity in the wake of the 2001 corporate and auditing scandals. The center, states Regan, "seeks to strengthen the American economy through discourse, education and research, and the promotion of fiduciary and ethical obligations among American businesses."

Both Regan and Shuttlesworth, along with **Robert M. Greene '66**, partner in the law firm of Phillips, Lytle LLP, and **Paul J. Koessler**, former president of Greater Buffalo Press and community leader, will be presented with honorary degrees during commencement ceremonies.

Contemporary Writers Series Welcomes Keillor

More than four million listeners tune in every Saturday night to hear his live radio show but on **Monday, April 4**, Canisius alumni, family and friends will hear **Garrison Keillor** speak, in person, during a unique public appearance at the college. Keillor, a best-selling author, has been the host and writer of "A Prairie Home Companion" since it first hit the airwaves in 1974. Today, the radio program thrives with broadcasts on more than 550 public radio stations.

During his visit, at **8:00 p.m.** in the **Montante Cultural Center**, Keillor will read from his previous works, which include 13 books (*Lake Wobegon Days*, *The Book of Guys* and *Love Me*), and take questions from the audience. His lecture is made possible by the Canisius College Contemporary Writers Series, developed by Mick Cochrane, PhD, professor of English and writer-in-residence, and funded through his Peter Canisius Distinguished Teaching Professorship, and the Hassett Family and Andrew and Mary Scoma Endowments.

The event is free and open to the public but seating is limited.

