



ALUMNI AWARDS CEREMONY

Saturday, June 26 — 6 pm

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Master of Ceremonies

Robert Fisher '97, M'06
Director of Alumni Relations

University Remarks

The Rev. James P. Burns, IVD, Ph.D.
President, Saint Mary's University

Presentation of Alumni Appreciation Award to Michael Cannon '73

Ryan Pajak '04, M'10
President, Alumni Association

Presentation of Lasallian Service Awards to Susan (Orlowski) Paul Caulfield '80, Ed.D. and Jennifer (Lawrence) Nelson '04

Brother Robert Smith, FSC '76, Ph.D.
*Senior Vice President for University Initiatives
and Special Advisor to the President*

Presentation of Distinguished Alumnus Award to Thomas Clasen '78, Ph.D.

Robert Fisher '97, M'06

2021 ALUMNI AWARD RECIPIENTS

ALUMNI APPRECIATION AWARD

Mike Cannon '73 began supporting Saint Mary's as a student. He was a member of Alpha Delta Gamma, and served as president of the fraternity for one year. He also was an RA, and even coached women's football! Since graduating, he has been a very active alumnus. He's attended more than 20 reunions, has helped to plan or host numerous Saint Mary's golf tournaments, and he's served on the First Generation Initiative Board as well as two Celebration of Excellence planning committees. He's hosted a prospective student and parent information session and two FGI fundraisers. He's constantly advocating for Saint Mary's. A love for Saint Mary's runs in the Cannon family, as Mike followed in the footsteps of two Saint Mary's alumni siblings, Jack '64 and Tom '69. After graduation, he spent his career in sales. And he's just completed 10 years as alderman of Rolling Meadows. He and his wife, Sally (Weldon) '74, have three adult children.



LASALLIAN SERVICE AWARD

Susan (Orlowski) Paul Caulfield '80, Ed.D., served at two Catholic high schools in the Twin Cities, both rooted in their Lasallian heritage. For 11 years, she was a religion teacher and later director of Campus Ministry at Totino-Grace High School. During this time, she earned her master's degree in non-public administration and her doctorate in education leadership, specifically researching what "community" meant in a Catholic high school. With licensure in hand, Caulfield joined the staff at Hill-Murray School as principal and later as president. Committed to educating the whole student, she worked to provide her staff the resources they needed to ensure that graduates left Hill-Murray confident, capable, and resilient. For 24 years, she proudly assured graduates, "You are not only ready for the rigors of college, you are ready to change the world in wonderful ways because of your membership in this community." She also serves on the Simon Says Give Board of Directors, Minnesota State Council for NCA-CASI, and NCA Board of Trustees. For her dedicated work, she received the MN AdvancED Excellence in Education Award and the Archdiocesan Excellence in Catechesis Leadership Award. Thoroughly enjoying retirement, she now spends more time with her husband, Bruce, and their 12 grandchildren.



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Jennifer (Lawrence) Nelson '04 has had a passion for service her entire life. When asked her New Year's resolution at age 11, she responded, "World peace." As a member of her high school's campus ministry team, she was the first to letter in service. At Saint Mary's, she co-lead Outreach, a team that led confirmation retreats throughout the diocese, and participated in Habitat and S.O.U.L. mission trips. After serving two years in the Peace Corps in Kyrgyzstan, Nelson fell into the profession of volunteer engagement and never looked back. As the manager of Volunteer Services at Maple Grove Hospital, she has overseen the growth of the department from 90 to 500 volunteers since 2011. Under her leadership, the hospital was the first in the nation to achieve Service Enterprise status from Points of Light. Nelson continues to actively volunteer in her church and community with her husband Travis '05 and son Bekett.



DISTINGUISHED ALUMUS AWARD

Thomas Clasen '78, Ph.D., an epidemiologist, is professor of environmental health and interim chair of the Department of Environmental Health at the Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University, where he holds the Rose Salamone Gangarosa Chair in Sanitation and Safe Water. Clasen has led more than \$50 million in research in household- and community-level environmental health interventions in low-income countries and has published more than 185 peer-reviewed papers. His research includes randomized controlled field trials to assess the health impact of water, sanitation, and household air pollution interventions, systematic reviews of water quality and sanitation interventions to prevent diarrhoeal disease and enteric infection, assessments of environmental interventions in emergency and outbreak response, and cost and cost-effectiveness analyses of interventions. His current research includes a multi-country trial to assess the health impact of LPG stoves; a large-scale trial of a program to provide water filters and improved cook stoves to lower income populations in Rwanda; a trial to assess the impact of interventions to improve child feces management in India; and an evaluation of a slum redevelopment intervention in Fiji and Indonesia. Clasen was the chief scientific adviser to the World Health Organization in developing the first set of Guidelines for Sanitation and Health. He holds an MSc (Control of Infectious Diseases) and Ph.D. from the University of London; he also holds a J.D. (Law) from Georgetown University. Prior to transitioning to public health, Clasen practiced international corporate law for 20 years.



Past Award Recipients

<i>Distinguished Alumnus/a Award</i>	
Thomas J. Mulvaney	1966
Father Sylvester F. Brown	1967
James J. Carroll	1968
Father Paul F. Halloran	1969
Dr. John Kearney	1970
Dr. Hugo A. Keim	1971
Dr. William Rock	1972
Dr. John A. Sbarbaro	1973
General John J. Hennessey	1974
Judge C. Bernard Carey	1975
Dr. John H. Hoffman	1976
Dr. Robert A. Hoffman	1976
Most Rev. George H. Speltz, DD	1977
Judge Michael A. Bilandic	1978
Dr. Joseph R. Kraft	1979
Brother Laurence Walther, FSC	1981
John C. Parmer	1982
Thomas F. Meagher	1983
Bernard H. Semler	1984
Dr. Lorin I. Nevling, Jr.	1985
Eugene E. Figliulo	1986
Thomas C. Barger	1987
Kenneth E. Wakefield	1987
Thomas J. Johnston	1988
Anthony J. Adducci	1989
Edward M. Allen	1990
Carl J. Calabrese	1991
Brother Leonard Courtney, FSC	1992
John M. Sharkey	1993
Dr. Hugo C. Pribor	1994
David B. Collins	1995
George J. Murtaugh	1996
John A. Ehlert	1997
Dr. Jon J. Kabara	1998
Bro. Andrew Benjamin Gonzalez, FSC	1999
Dr. Charles Giammona, Jr.	2000
Robert K. Hentzen	2001
Robert H. Wheeler	2002
Dr. R. W. A. Davidson	2003
Senator Michael O. Johanns	2004
Patrick A. Salvi	2005
Philip E. Corcoran	2006
Charles S. Wolande	2006
Joseph J. Ross	2007

Edward J. Zabrocki, Jr.	2008
Judge Thomas L. Kilbride	2009
Dr. Jane (Weydert) Homeyer	2010
Dr. Donald G. Truhlar	2011
Roger Lucas	2012
Pablo Sebastian Gaito	2013
Holly Hall	2013
Janee L. Harteau	2013
Scott A. Thomas	2013
Kathy Rae Wilde	2013
Paul Meyer	2014
William Jungauer	2015
Merle Wilberding	2016
Richard Drogosz	2017
Dr. Bobbie Gostout	2018
Jerome 'Jerry' Colletti	2019
Mike Morsberger	2019
Dr. Thomas Clasen	2021

Alumni Appreciation Award:

Tracy Rumford	1980
Ralph J. Zito	1980
Michael J. Dooley	1981
Brother I. Basil Rothweiler, FSC	1981
Terry (Malloy) Chism	1982
Charles N. Marron	1982
Donald H. Whaley	1983
Jeffrey C. Yourell	1983
Joseph A. Caruso	1984
Julius E. Gernes	1984
John P. Soucheray	1985
Daniel E. Lucas	1986
Loras H. Sieve	1987
Mary Ann (Gay) Stringham	1988
Richard C. Stringham	1988
David R. Thies	1989
William J. Boulger, Jr.	1990
Douglas W. Johnson	1990
James J. Casimir	1991
John F. Phelan	1992
C. William Biesanz, Sr.	1993
James D. Lorr	1993
Robert J. Scurio	1994
Paul Libera	1995
Leonard J. Canning	1996
Skip Stringham	1996

Past Award Recipients

Oscar H. Straub	1997
Dr. Samuel J. Cascio	1998
Charles Lentz, Sr.	1999
John F. McDonough	2000
Carl J. Calabrese	2001
Joseph E. La Belle	2001
Richard B. Willett	2002
Keith B. Klausner	2003
Roger P. Laven	2004
Thomas C. Callen	2005
Richard J. Reedy	2006
Walter N. Jungbauer, Sr.	2007
Tim Burchill	2008
James E. Hoey	2009
Kenneth J. Ortman	2009
Harry Plotke	2009
Timothy Horan	2010
Robert M. Figliulo	2011
Robert "Bo" Rettig	2012
Thomas Baryl	2014
William Herzog	2015
Dr. Renée Garpestad	2016
Molly (Murphy) O'Keefe	2017
Judy (Mullins) Lucas	2018
Dr. John Domanico	2019
Michael Cannon	2021

Lasallian Service Award

Bishop Robert H. Brom	1985
Most Rev. F. W. Freking, DD	1985
Most Rev. George H. Speltz, DD	1985
Father Alfred M. Stemper	1985
Brother Alphonsus Pluth, FSC	1986
Ronald J. Wilkins	1986
Brother Julius Winkler, FSC	1986
Father Daniel Corcoran	1987
Brother Leonard Courtney, FSC	1987
Msgr. J. Richard Feiten	1988
Brother Theodore Drahmann, FSC	1989
Brother James Gaffney, FSC	1989
Brother John Grover, FSC	1990
Brother I. Ambrose Trusk, FSC	1990
Father James F. Barnett, OP	1991
Brother James A. Miller, FSC	1991
Father James D. Russell	1991

Father A.C. Fabian, O.P.	1992
Brother I. Basil Rothweiler, FSC	1993
Brother Terence McLaughlin, FSC	1994
Brother Martin Spellman, FSC	1994
Brother Richard Gerlach, FSC	1995
Brother George L. Pahl, FSC	1996
Brother J. Raymond Long, FSC	1996
Father Paul E. Nelson	1997
Dennis L. Nigon	1998
Father K. F. Thesing, MM	1999
Brother J. Francis Walsh, FSC	2000
Gordon M. Hannon	2001
Brother Norman Wray, FSC	2001
Father Paul Wierichs, C.P.	2002
Father Robert J. Botthof, OP	2003
Stephen M. Judd	2004
Brother Dominic Ehrmantraut, FSC	2005
Brother Louis Rodemann, FSC	2006
Brother Paul Grass, FSC	2007
Hugh F. Downey	2008
Msgr. Roy E. Literski	2009
Chris (Coglianese) Collins	2010
James Cunningham	2010
James E. Cave	2011
Molly (Crosby) Cave	2011
Mary Lou (Black) Scheid	2011
Barbara (Mulvey) McQuillan	2016
Giles Wilborn	2017
Sarah (Bellingham) Laitinen	2018
Alan Peters	2019
Dr. Susan (Orlowski) Paul Caulfield	2021
Jennifer (Lawrence) Nelson	2021

Outstanding Young Alumnus/a Award

Georgann (Charuhas) Diderrich	2006
Dr. Michael R. Panicola	2007
Matthew B. Bubala	2009
Nathan Semsch	2014
Jenny (Folgers) Baertsch	2015
Clair (Zauhar) Pennycuff	2016
Anne Harala	2017
Ania McNamara	2018