

## *Dancing Clare*



*Dancing Clare* by David Kocka is located in Assisi Courtyard near the Fine Arts Center.

## Dancing Clare Dedication Today at 1:10 p.m.

Plan to join your colleagues this afternoon (Monday, Oct. 17) to dedicate the installation of *Dancing Clare* a bronze sculpture commemorating St. Clare of Assisi, at 1:10 p.m. in Assisi Courtyard.

Clare, who lived in Assisi at the same time as St. Francis, is considered the co-founder of the Franciscan orders. She lived from 1194 to 1253 and was a confidant and friend to St. Francis. During her lifetime, she established an Order, which eventually would be named the Sisters of the Poor Clare.

The sculpture is the creation of artist David Kocka, and the bronze artwork is intended to be a visual companion to Viterbo's *Dancing Francis*, a sculpture by Paul Granlund, which was installed on campus in 1991.

As a young man, Kocka, a Minnesota native, worked for two years under Granlund's tutelage and learned the process of bronze casting and the art of sculpture. He now resides in rural Indiana where he has his studio and foundry.

## CBS News Correspondent to Speak Oct. 26

CBS war correspondent Martha Teichner will present "War and Media: The Role of the Journalist in Reporting Conflict" Wednesday,



*Martha Teichner*

Oct. 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center Main Theatre.

The event is free and open to the public. No reservations are required, but seating is limited. The presentation is part of the D.B. Reinhart Institute for Ethics in Leadership 2005-06 lecture series, Perspectives on the Holocaust.

Before joining *CBS News Sunday Morning*, Teichner was one of only a handful of female war correspondents. Teichner reported on the war in Bosnia, the fall of Communism in Central and Eastern Europe, and the Romanian Revolution. She also accompanied U.S. troops during the Persian Gulf War, covering the conflict from Iraq, Kuwait, Jordan, and Israel.

Teichner will reflect on her experiences and will address the ongoing prospect of genocide in the world today. The event is co-sponsored by the D.B. Reinhart Institute for Ethics in Leadership and the La Crosse Public Library.

## Seventh Day Discussion Oct. 19

Trish Dougherty, English, will lead the next Seventh Day Discussion, "Economic, Environmental, Physical and Political Health: Organic versus Chemical Food," from noon-1 p.m. in MC 434.

Agriculture has come full circle from pre-chemical farming through chemical farming to "organic" farming. The discussion will consider how choosing to buy organic food affects numerous aspects of our lives, our communities, and our world.

### Kudos to....

**Karen Gibson**, nutrition and dietetics, who is president of the La Crescent Area Healthy Community Partnership. This group was awarded the annual Asset Based Collaboration Award by the Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation at their Regional Recognition Luncheon last week. Since April of 2002, the La Crescent Area Healthy Community Partnership has worked to develop the "healthiest community in America" for its residents. The collaborative strives to address the issues of health in all aspects of life including physical, emotional, economical and spiritual. The collaborative opened the Healthy Community Partnership Community Center at La Crescent's Kistler Park and launched the "Girls on the Go" program focusing on building self-esteem for adolescent girls. In addition, they secured a grant to provide outreach services to early childhood programs, in part through a collaboration between Viterbo junior dietetic students and area pre-school and daycare centers.

## Classic Film Series Continues with *Young Frankenstein* Oct. 18

The Viterbo Classic Film Series continues Tuesday, Oct. 18 with *Young Frankenstein* at 7 p.m. in RC 127. Rick Kyte will lead a discussion immediately following the movie.

The event is free and open to the public. "The Six Movies You Must

See Before Graduating" is the theme of the 2005-06 Viterbo University Classic Film Series.

The Viterbo Classic Film Series is co-sponsored by the D.B. Reinhart Institute for Ethics in Leadership, the Todd Wehr Memorial Library, and the Theatre Arts Department.

## Support the Adopt-a-Family Program

Members of the Social Work Through Service Learning class will be collecting money for the Adopt-a-Family Program Oct. 15 through Nov. 1

The amount of donations from

students and staff will determine the size of the family(s) the class will adopt. Money can be donated in the student union, at the Murphy Center reception desk, or sent to Connie Fossen's mailbox.

## Social Work Club Sponsoring Clothing Drive

The Social Work Club is sponsoring a women's fall/winter clothing drive, in partnership with Our Savior Lutheran Church. The drive will be held Monday, Oct. 24 through Wednesday, Oct. 26. The donation site will be in the Fine Arts Center Atrium from 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

Needed items include work appropriate clothing—business and more casual—jewelry, scarves, shoes, handbags, winter coats, boots, hats, and gloves. All clothing must be clean, in style, and preferably on hangers.

## Students Strike it Rich Playing Monopoly

Residence life, Residence Hall Council, MugShots coffee house and communications and marketing collaborated in sponsoring two Viterbo teams of seven students and one advisor at the Junior Achievement Monopoly Tournament recently held at the Valley View Mall.

Viterbo team one (Gena Brueggeman, Trapper McLean and Adam White) placed first in the team competition winning \$120. Trapper McLean also won \$100 for the top college student score in the preliminary round. Trapper successfully made it to the final Monopoly

Championships and placed third overall winning an additional \$75.

One hundred and three individuals participated in the 8th annual tournament supporting Junior Achievement. Junior Achievement's educational programs are part of the regular school classroom with consultants from the business community encouraging students to stay in school and preparing them for careers after their education. Over 3,400 youth are reached annually in the Coulee Region.

## Mark Your Calendar for December Commencement

December commencement is Saturday, Dec. 17 at 10:30 a.m. in the FAC Main Theatre.

- 9 a.m.—Baccalaureate Mass
- 10:15 a.m.—Faculty line up (in the lobby of the Recital Hall)
- 10:30 a.m.—Ceremony (reception immediately following)

Regalia: Contact Stacey in the bookstore at ext. 3848 or [0748mgr@fhcg.follett.com](mailto:0748mgr@fhcg.follett.com) by Thursday, Nov. 1., to order your gown/hood. You can rent or purchase regalia. Stacey will need the following information: name of your graduating institution; name of your degree; color of degree and school colors; for gowns height and weight are needed.

Other Apparel: Shoes and other visible apparel worn by faculty and staff should be of dark colors that harmonize with the academic costume. Nothing else should be worn on the academic gown.

Additional Information: Students and faculty can find additional information on the Web site (<http://www.viterbo.edu/alumni/Commencement.htm>). Questions? Call Debra Randall Anderson, ext. 3370.

## Preparatory School Adds Guitar Lessons

The Viterbo Preparatory School of Arts will add private guitar lessons to its class offerings. Guitar lessons are available for students of all ages and levels of ability. The new instructor, Nathan Weaver, is an experienced teacher in classical, jazz, rock, and bass guitar. The preparatory school offers private lessons in piano, voice, strings, and flute as well. For information on this or any other of our programs offered contact Judy Stafslieen at ext. 3767.

## Phonathon



*The annual alumni phonathon began Oct. 2 and is off to a great start, with pledges thus far totaling \$28,432. Students call five nights a week, Sunday-Thursday. The phonathon runs until Nov. 10.*

## October is Mental Health Awareness Month

**Mental Illness**—What many people think of as mental illness really is the collection of symptoms and behaviors of biological disorders in the brain. These disorders are irregularities of biochemistry.

**Awareness**—Although mental illnesses are common, the stigma—the mark of shame—surrounding them is so strong that most people do not seek help for fear of losing their job, their friends, even family members who do not understand that there are successful treatments that make it possible to live a satisfying and productive life.

**The Coalition**—The Mental Health Coalition of the Greater La Crosse Area is a community coalition of people living with a diagnosis of a mental illness, advocates for mental health, and providers of mental health services working together to reduce stigma by increasing understanding of mental illnesses and by making services more readily available for those who need diagnosis, treatment and support.

The coalition's Web site includes links to local, state, and national resources about mental health: [www.mentalhealthlacrosse.org](http://www.mentalhealthlacrosse.org).

## Check Out Bookstore's Saturday Hours

Did you know the Bookstore is open on some Saturdays? The following is a list of the Saturday schedule for this semester:

- Oct. 15: open 10 a.m.–2 p.m.
- Oct. 22: open 10 a.m.–2 p.m.
- Oct. 29: closed
- Nov. 5: open 10 a.m.–2 p.m.
- Nov. 12: closed
- Nov. 19: open 10 a.m.–2 p.m.
- Nov. 26: closed for Thanksgiving
- Dec. 3: open 10 a.m.–2 p.m.
- Dec. 10: open 10 a.m.–2 p.m.
- Dec. 17: open 10 a.m.–2 p.m.
- Dec. 24: closed for Christmas
- Dec. 31: closed for New Year's

Stop in or call 608-796-3848 if you have any questions.

# campus ministry and mission effectiveness

By: Fr. Tom O'Neill



**Birthright:** As a way of observing Respect Life Month actively, we are participating in a program offered by

Birthright of La Crosse to help women facing unintended pregnancies in difficult circumstances. Birthright has been helping mothers and their babies in our community for 30 years. If you would like to take part, please take a baby bottle from the crib in the MRC lobby and fill it with spare change for the next few weeks. Please return bottles, empty or full, to MRC reception or San Damiano Chapel before Thanksgiving break.

## U.S. Poverty: Overview (International Day of Eradication of Poverty is Oct. 17)

In 2004, 1.1 million more people fell into poverty, totaling 37 million people in the United States.

## from the Library

By Elizabeth Ehr

Before you hit the road for mid-semester break, stop by the library's recreational reading collection and check out our pleasure-reading options. There's nothing like a good book to help you de-stress and recharge during a busy semester. Whether it's bestsellers, nonfiction, romance, or mystery, the collection boasts a recently updated selection as well as an appealing display. Also, take advantage of our new suggestion box and tell us what you'd like to see purchased in the future.

### Now available:

- *Bee Season*/Myla Goldberg
- *Digital Fortress*/Dan Brown
- *Lifeguard*/James Patterson

There are millions of people that are often referred to as the "working poor" who live on incomes that fall just above the poverty threshold.

This year's increased poverty rate, 12.7 percent, is the highest in the developed world, more than twice as high as in most other industrialized nations.

### Prayer for the Week of Oct. 16

*God, we pray that your spirit may rule over all things.*

*May your spirit rule over kings and presidents*

*Over prime ministers and generals*

*Over CEOs and party bosses*

*Over the legislature and over the*

*bureaucrats*

*Over all citizens.*

*May your spirit guide us on the way of peace*

*On the way of honest dialogue*

*On the way of reconciliation between peoples*

*On the way of disarmament and justice*

*On the way of freedom and life for all.*

*May your spirit lead us on the journey of blessings shared with all  
On the journey of educational opportunity for all our children  
On the adventure of research and study that helps all men and women  
On the road to meaningful work for all your people  
On the path of solidarity and love between all our brothers and sisters.*

*May your spirit help us*

*To speak up with courage*

*To share what we have and what we are*

*To challenge the powers that be*

*To offer a message of liberation and life. Amen*

We pray for the repose of the souls of the mother of Jennifer Brockman and the grandmother of Melissa Gutknecht.

**Requiescant in pace.**

**Notice:** The deadline for submissions for the October 24 issue of *Connections* will be Wed., Oct. 19 at noon.

### Coming soon:

- *Vanishing Acts*/Jodi Picoult
- *The Broker*/John Grisham
- *Smashed: Story of a Drunken Girlhood*/Koren Zailckas
- *Deception Point*/Dan Brown
- *Kiss Me, Annabell*/Eloisa James
- *Mirror, Mirror*/Gregory Maguire
- *Everything is Illuminated*/Jonathan Safran Foer
- *A Long Way Down*/Nick Hornby
- *The Money Book for the Young, Fabulous, & Broke*/Suze Orman

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