



DAEMEN COLLEGE

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Dear Colleagues,

I would like to thank all of you who found time to attend the Spring State of the College Address. It was good to see so many familiar faces as we reviewed the many successes that Daemen College has experienced over this last year. If you were unable to attend this event, you can view a video at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S6mMxD8D7A>. We will continue to post videos, photos, and letters of importance on the Office of the President website whenever they become available so that you can always have access to the most current information.

I am delighted to report that we have appointed a first-rate Vice President for Student Affairs: Dr. Greg Naylor, who currently serves as Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students at the University of the Arts in Philadelphia. Dr. Naylor earned his PhD in higher education administration from the University of Virginia, and his M.S. and B.A. degrees from SUNY at Potsdam. He has held leadership positions at Virginia Intermont and Lynchburg Colleges as well. He has graciously agreed to begin at Daemen as early as May 31. Please help me welcome him to our family. His email address is gnaylor@gmail.com.

As you know, our esteemed colleague, Bob Beiswanger, will be retiring after over thirty years of exemplary service as our Vice President for Business Affairs and Treasurer. It seems unimaginable that anyone other than Bob will be right across the hall from my office in Dun Scotus Hall after August 1. Beginning today, we will conduct a national search for a new vice president. The faculty have elected two distinguished representatives to serve on the committee: Professors Laura Edsberg and Michele Flint.

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Joining them will be Lisa Arida, Controller and Assistant Treasurer; Amanda Best, Business Administration and Marketing Major; Kelly Duran, Executive Director for Computing Services; Sue Girard, Director of Health Services and Insurance; Linda Koller, Director of Marketing; Lynn Marinelli, Director of Intergovernmental Relations, Empire State Development; Bobby Mills, (chair) Special Assistant to the President for Government Relations; Mike Morgan, Director of Publications; Yolanda Morris, Associate Director of Events and Marketing; Doris Murphy, Executive Director of Academic Affairs; Don Phillips, Director of Maintenance.

I have great confidence in this committee, and I believe they will recruit a pool of first-rate candidates for this important position.

Finally, I want to remind you to notify Paula Witherell whenever your department or group is sponsoring an event so that she can include information about it in the Daemen Voice. Similarly, if you win awards or achieve other accomplishments, please let Paula know.

I look forward to seeing you at Commencement on May 17 as we celebrate the accomplishments of our students (and our dedicated faculty who so ably trained them).

Cordially,



Gary A. Olson
President