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Sr. Mary Scullion to Receive Signum Fidei Medal

Sister Mary Scullion, R.S.M., will be the Signum Fidei medalist at the annual Awards dinner, November 17, on campus, it was announced by Stephen L. McGonigle, '72, President of the Alumni Association.

A member of the Sisters of Mercy, Sister Mary founded "Women of Hope" at 12th and Lombard Streets in Philadelphia which houses 24 homeless women full-time and provides food and services to many others.

An outspoken advocate of the homeless, she has used her ability to inspire confidence among the destitute and has convinced many homeless persons to come in from the streets.

During the winter of '88-'89, Sister Mary operated a shelter for homeless men at the Marian Anderson Recreation Center at 17th and Fitzwater Streets. Partially funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, this program has proven to be both effective and humane. The homeless men, who have responded to Sister Mary's concern, participate in running the program and serve on its board of directors and its staff. They thereby acquire a measure of confidence in their own worth.

For her work among the homeless of Philadelphia, Sister Mary Scullion will be awarded the forty-eighth



Signum Fidei medal of the La Salle University Alumni Association.

The Signum Fidei medal has been awarded annually since 1942 and derives its name from the motto of the Brothers of the Christian Schools—"sign of faith." It is given to recognize personal achievement in harmony with the established aims of La Salle University and is conferred each year on an individual who has made "most noteworthy contributions to the advancement of humanitarian principles in keeping with the Christian tradition."

Chairman of this year's selection committee was Thomas J. Feerick, Esq., '71.

The medal will be presented at the

Alumni Awards dinner in the Student Union Ballroom at 8:00 p.m. on Friday evening, November 17.

Membership in the Alpha Epsilon Alumni Honor Society will be conferred on selected members of the Class of 1990 at the dinner.

Tickets for the dinner are \$20.00 per person and may be purchased at the Alumni Office. Mail requests (accompanied by check payable to La Salle University) should be received by the Alumni Office by November 10.

Bill of Rights Symposium

Two alumni organizations, the Downtown Club and the Law Society, in cooperation with the Political Science Department will sponsor a symposium on the 200th anniversary of the sanctioning of the Federal Court system and the sending of the Bill of Rights to the States for ratification, at Congress Hall on September 25.

Presentations will be made by Honorable Joseph Rodriguez, '55, U.S. District Court Judge from New Jersey; Graham Walker, political theorist from the University of Pennsylvania; and Dr. Joseph Brogan of the La Salle Political Science Department.

Congress Hall, which is located next to Independence Hall, was the site of an alumni symposium during the bicentennial of the constitution and attracted a capacity crowd of 150 in May of 1987. Once again, a dinner will follow the program, across the street at the Philadelphia Downtown Club in the Public Ledger building.

Tickets are required for the program and dinner and seating at Congress Hall is strictly limited to 150 persons. Further information may be obtained from the Alumni Office, (215)951-4535.

Alumni Judges to be Honored

The Alumni Law Society will hold a reception on campus on Sunday afternoon, October 8, to honor three judges who are members of the society.

The Honorable Harry J. Bradley, '58, was appointed by Governor Casey to be judge of Common Pleas Court in Delaware County, PA. The Honorable Joseph C. Visalli, '65, is a judge of the Superior Court of New Jersey sitting in Cape May Courthouse. The third

honoree, Honorable Jerome A. Zaleski, '59, a member of the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas since the early 70's, and honored by the society in 1972, recently was named administrative judge of Family Court in the city.

Honorary chairman of the event is Honorable James R. Melinson, '61, of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania, who was honored by the Society last year.

— Fall Homecoming —

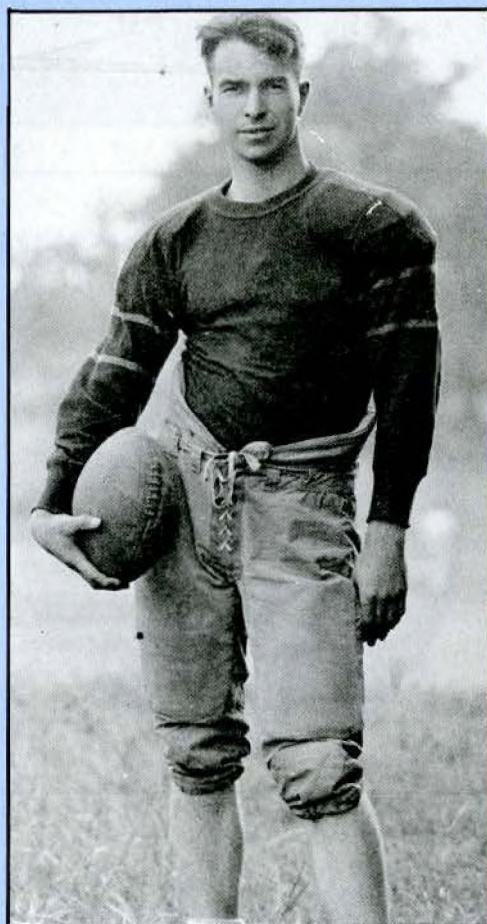
Bradley, Crawford & Wise to be Inducted into Hall of Athletes

On Friday evening, October 13, at a dinner on campus, the Alumni Association will induct two basketball players of the '70s and a football player from the '30s into the Alumni Hall of Athletes.

Bernard A. Bradley, '35, an outstanding lineman and captain of La Salle's only undefeated football team, will be inducted posthumously. His wife, Marie, will accept the award.

Jim Crawford, '73, a 6'4" forward, as a sophomore ('70-'71) played alongside the great Kenny Durrett and acquired the nickname "Skyman" for his rebounding prowess. In his junior year, he was captain and team MVP, leading the Explorers in scoring with 394 points and in rebounding with 273. In his senior year ('72-'73), he again led the team in scoring (489), finishing his career with 1,213 points (15.8 avg.) and 732 rebounds. He also led the team in assists that year with 79 and was selected for All Big 5 recognition.

Charlie Wise, '76, a 6'0" guard, saw limited action in his freshman year, then led his team in assists for the next three years, finishing with 407. He scored 1,245 points in his career (12.8 avg.) and contributed 270 rebounds. In 1974-75, when his team



Bernard A. Bradley, '35

won the Big 5, the Dayton Invitational, and the Sugar Bowl, Wise was chosen for all three of their All-Star teams. He repeated as an All Big 5 player in 1976 and also won the Geasy award as MVP that year.

The Hall of Athletes dinner will be held in the Union Ballroom at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20.00 and may be purchased at the Alumni Office.

Alumni Run

On Saturday morning, October 14, the Frank Wetzler Memorial all-weather track will be dedicated at 9:30 a.m. ceremonies in McCarthy Stadium.

Prior to the dedication, an "alumni run" will start at 9:00 a.m. It will consist of a 2.7 mile distance that will begin and conclude with single laps around the new track.

Registration is \$4.00. The winner will

receive the Bernard Bradley trophy, sponsored by University Trustee Francis J. "Tim" Dunleavy in memory of our Hall of Athletes honoree from the Class of '35. All participants will receive a tee shirt.

To register, write to the Alumni Office, La Salle University, Philadelphia, PA 19141 or call (215) 951-1535.

Young Alumni Club

The Young Alumni Club is a new organization in the Alumni Association consisting of graduates from the last 10 years residing in the Delaware Valley area. The club was formed to promote activity among the more recent alums through social and professional events and to keep them updated on the progress of the University.

Two highly successful events have occurred in the 1989 calendar year: a St. Patrick's Day cocktail reception at the Polo Bay Club in Philadelphia, which attracted over 300 alums, and a beach party at the Princeton Rock Room in Avalon, N.J., in late August.

The next affair will be a reception at the Polo Bay Club on Wednesday, November 22, at 5:30 p.m.

Those who have not received a mailing concerning the club, should call the Alumni Office at (215)951-1535.

Communication Organization Formed

The Communication Department observed the University's 125th anniversary in 1988 with a social which also celebrated its tenth graduating class.

Many attendees at this "homecoming" event—alumni, faculty, and friends—expressed the desire to see a formal organization started for graduates of the department. Less than a year later, the Communications Alumni of La Salle University (CALU) held its first official function: a cocktail reception and dinner on campus.

The organizational committee of some 20 alumni determined that the new organization would "actively promote, encourage, and initiate interaction among La Salle's Department of Communication, its students, the communications alumni, and the communications industry as a whole."

Michael Coughlin, '83, was elected CALU's first executive chairman. He is looking for volunteers to assist with the annual workshop for high school juniors and seniors on October 7. For more information on this or the CALU organization, contact the Communication Department (215-951-1844).

Hoop Prospects for 1989-90

by Mac Yates

Sports Information Director

How can the Explorers improve upon last year's 26-6 record? Well, you say they could win 27 games. Maybe, but let's put that in perspective. The 1988-89 losses were to Syracuse, Georgia, Temple, St. Peter's, Notre Dame, and Louisiana Tech, and two of the losses were by a mere two points. The wins were over South Carolina, Florida State, Richmond, Villanova plus others, and included a record of 16-1 against MAAC opponents.

Of course, you are right. Speedy Morris and Lionel Simmons hope to improve upon a three-year record that has produced 70 victories and just 29 losses.

Sometime during the season, Simmons will become only the fifth collegiate player to score 3,000 points. He has the chance to become the first player ever to reach that scoring milestone and grab 1,500 rebounds.

A virtual consensus second team All-America in 1989, Simmons has been selected to the Playboy Magazine Pre-Season All-America team and is expected to receive many other pre-season accolades.

Simmons earned the Player-of-the-Year honors for the second consecutive season in both the Big 5 and the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference. As the nation's third leading scorer (28.4) and fifth leading rebounder (11.4), Simmons dominated the MAAC and also took the Conference Tournament's MVP honors home.

Clearly, the expectations of the Explorers rest heavily on the shoulders of Simmons, but La Salle is not a one-dimensional team.

The Big 5 and MAAC Rookie-of-the-Year in 1989 was Jack Hurd, '92. Hurd

provided many thrills for the Blue and Gold with his long range jumpers and slashing moves to the hoop. Hurd led the MAAC in three-point field goals made (70) and in three-point field goal accuracy (44.0). When the going got tough, Hurd got going. The now-sophomore scored a game high 26 points against Louisiana Tech in the NCAA, nearly pulling out a much coveted tournament victory.

That elusive NCAA Tournament win may be the only true way for the Explorers to improve upon last year's 26 wins, and the Explorers are determined to do it this time. Of course, that means repeating as the MAAC Tournament Champion for the third straight year. There is nothing harder than staying on top. And this year the MAAC is a little different. Not only is pesky St. Peter's back with a strong cast (the Peacocks surprised the Explorers in the Palestra in a two-point decision), but Siena, Niagara, Canisius, and Loyola (MD) have been added to the conference roster. Siena pulled what many considered to be the upset of the NCAA Tournament last year when they defeated Stanford in the opening round. Add the fact that the conference tournament will be played in Siena's backyard at the new Knickerbockers Arena in Albany, NY, and La Salle's task of reaching the NCAA Tournament becomes even more difficult.

While Simmons and Hurd will be required to again carry the scoring load, there is great comfort in knowing that first team All-MAAC point guard Doug Overton will bring the ball upcourt. Overton set a school record with 212 assists, while also scoring a healthy 13 points a game. Overton was two steals short of reaching triple figures in four statistical categories (points, assists,

steals, and rebounds).

A fourth returning starter is center Milko Lieverst. While not a serious scoring threat, Lieverst congests the paint and finds his way to a key rebound or two in nearly every game.

Speedy Morris' 70 victories rank him as the winningest third-year coach in the NCAA. Morris was the Big 5 Coach-of-the-Year and shared the MAAC honor with St. Peter's Ted Fiore. Speedy and his staff of Joe Mihalich, Randy Monroe, as well as part-time coach Sam Rines, Sr. and volunteer coach Rich Prendergast, are back intact to lead the Explorers in 1989-90.

The Explorers coaching staff will have to replace Craig Conlin, who provided leadership and a great shooting touch. Waiting in the wings has been Bron Holland, a 6-8 transfer from St. Bonaventure. Holland will enter the roster as a sophomore. Holland will give the Explorers a little more strength close to the basket, perhaps taking the pressure off Simmons to rebound every missed shot. Randy Woods, a former Philadelphia Prep Player of the Year, sat out last season while earning academic status. Woods is very quick and will give Overton some relief at the point. The Explorers backcourt with Overton, Hurd, Woods and super-sub Bobby Johnson will terrorize the MAAC with scoring potential and up-tempo defense.

The Explorers will move their home games in 1989-90 to the Philadelphia Civic Center, which had been the Explorers home court 35 years ago. The tradition of Convention Hall in the Civic Center saw La Salle and Tom Gola win a National Championship in 1954. The hopes are that Speedy Morris, Lionel Simmons, and the rest of the Explorers will return some of the thrills to the Civic Center.

• **Dan McGonigle, Chairman of the Dr. Eugene Gallagher Club, has announced that the annual "Meet the Team" night will be November 8. Details will be announced in the club's next mailing.**

• **Explorer Coach Bill "Speedy" Morris will address the New York Chapter of the Alumni Association at a 6:30 p.m. dinner on October 10 at the Doral Court Hotel, 39th Street and Lexington Avenue in Manhattan.**

Logo Tie Available

The popular logo tie again is available for purchase through the Alumni Office.

A new shipment has been received in our exclusive design from William Chelsea, Ltd. The 3½" navy blue tie is 15% silk and features the logo emblem and founding date (1863) in gold.

Mail orders will be accepted, while they last, on a first come, first served



basis. Send check for \$14.00 per tie (payable: La Salle University) to the Alumni Office, La Salle University, Philadelphia, PA 19141.

1989-90 Basketball Schedule

Nov. 24, 25	Fresno State Invitational: La Salle, SW Missouri (first round opponent), Saint Mary's, Fresno State
Dec. 2	at DePaul
Dec. 6	at St. Joseph's
Dec. 11	PENNSYLVANIA
Dec. 21	VILLANOVA
Dec. 27, 28	Sugar Bowl Classic: La Salle, Ohio State (first round opponent), Florida, New Orleans
Jan. 4	at Temple
Jan. 6	LOYOLA-MARYMOUNT
Jan. 9	SIENA
Jan. 12	NOTRE DAME
Jan. 17	CANISIUS
Jan. 20	at Holy Cross
Jan. 22	LOYOLA (Baltimore)
Jan. 25	at Niagara
Jan. 27	at Fordham
Feb. 3	at Iona
Feb. 5	ST. PETER'S
Feb. 8	at Fairfield
Feb. 10	at Manhattan
Feb. 16	IONA
Feb. 18	FAIRFIELD
Feb. 20	at Loyola (Baltimore)
Feb. 22	MANHATTAN
Feb. 25	at St. Peter's
Feb. 27	ARMY
March 2	MAAC Tournament (First Round) Albany, NY
March 3	MAAC Tournament (Quarter Finals) Albany, NY
March 4	MAAC Tournament (Semi-Finals) Albany, NY
March 5	MAAC Tournament (Championship) Albany, NY

Home Games in CAPS

Lionel Simmons, closing in on 3,000 points and 1,500 rebounds, could become the first collegiate player ever to accomplish the dual feat.



Job Line Opened For Alumni

L. Thomas Reifsteck, Director of the Career Planning and Placement Bureau, has announced a new service: a telephone job line with a recorded message about current job openings. The Job Line number is (215)951-1733 and is available 24 hours a day.

Other services available to alumni include: individual counseling, video-

taping of practice interviews, access to the Bureau's workshops, seminars, career books, and videotapes.

Alumni are invited to visit the Bureau's new offices on the fourth floor of the Administrative Center (the former Lawrence Library).

Reunion Committees Forming

Reunion committees are being formed for next spring's class reunions to be held the weekend of May 18-20. Interested individuals from the Classes of '40, '45, '50, '55, '60, '65, '70, '75, '80, and '85 should contact the Alumni Office, (215)951-1535.

LOOKS LIKE OUR SECRET IS OUT

After 126 years as a Philadelphia institution, we've been discovered by the rest of the country. In just the past year:

- La Salle University was included in the New York Times' guide to *The Best Buys in College Education*.
- The U.S. News & World Report survey of America's Best Colleges listed La Salle among the top five comprehensive colleges in student retention. U.S. News also cited La Salle for "excelling in the humanities."
- The influential Long Island newspaper, *Newsday*, referred to La Salle as a "university on the rise" in a recent article entitled "Where the Hot Schools Are."
- La Salle's academic rating in *Barron's National Guide to Colleges* was upgraded from "competitive" to "very competitive."
- La Salle was selected to appear in *Peterson's Competitive Colleges 1989-90*, a profile of the schools that consistently accept the nation's best students.
- A nationwide study of nearly 900 private undergraduate institutions ranked La Salle in the top four percent since 1977 as an originating school for Ph.D.s.

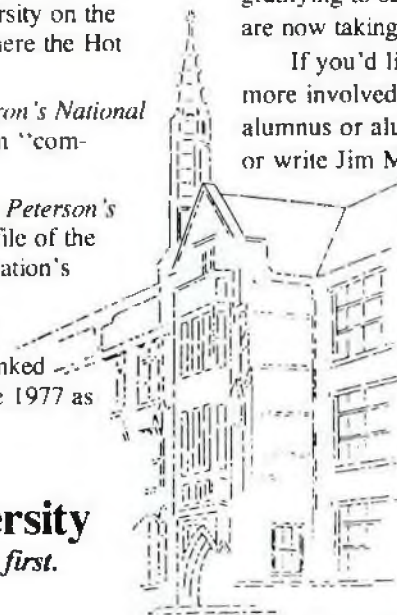
We have known for many years that the academic excellence of our programs, the value of our education, and the extraordinary quality of our teaching place us among the best private liberal arts colleges in the country. It's gratifying to see that others are now taking notice.

If you'd like to become more involved as a La Salle alumnus or alumna, please call or write Jim McDonald,

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Alumni Calendar, Fall 1989

Symposium on the Bill of Rights at Congress Hall	September 25
Law Society Reception.....	October 8
New York Chapter dinner at the Doral Court Hotel.....	October 10
Guest: Coach Bill "Speedy" Morris	
Hall of Athletes dinner	October 13
Dedication of all-weather track and Alumni run for the Bradley trophy.....	October 14
North Jersey Chapter meeting, Clark, N.J.....	October 25
Joseph C. Mihalich Memorial Symposium on the Philosophy of Sport.....	October 28
Alumni Association Board of Directors meeting.....	November 8
Annual Awards Dinner (Signum Fidei and Alpha Epsilon Presentations).....	November 17
Young Alumni reception, Polo Bay	November 22
Chicago area Brunch prior to De Paul game.....	December 2



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