Gonzaga is embarking on a year of celebrating tradition and transformation, by the grace of those who helped forge the University of today. Father Joseph Cataldo, S.J., our founder, heeded the call of Spokane fathers who asked him to “build up a great university here.”

Father James Rebmann, S.J., our first president, put together the faculty and curriculum that gave Gonzaga substance. Father Art Dussault, S.J., came to Gonzaga as a freshman in 1920 and spent his long life here. Father Bernard Coughlin, S.J., arrived in 1974 and, through a cadre of advisers from the Spokane community, built a thriving university. Father Frank Gubbins, S.J., James McGivern, Jeanne Wardian, Marge Anderson, Bud Barnes, John Sisk, John Firkins, Dorothy Darby Smith, Sister Mary Margaret Conway and others blazed a trail of excellence.

On Sept. 17, the 125th anniversary of the first day of classes at Gonzaga, we will come together as a campus community to enjoy one another’s company, good food and entertainment all in the name of our blessed past and promising future. A kids’ area with Spike and activities, photo booths and more, will add to the fun.

HISTORIC FIRST DAY, SEPT. 17 (gonzaga.edu/celebrate)

- Leadership Breakfast, President Thayne McCulloh hosts 300 community leaders
- 125th Anniversary Mass, 12:10 p.m., University Chapel
- All-Campus Celebration, 4-7 p.m., events on Foley Lawn and a complimentary food court on the Quad for students, employees and family. Tickets available at Crosby desk, Plant Services and Law Dean’s Office through Sept. 13.
  - 5:15 p.m. – Big Bing Theory
  - 5:30 p.m. – Dr. Thayne McCulloh address
  - 5:45 p.m. – Boone Street Band
  - 6:30 p.m. – Closing reflections
- 7 p.m. – Blaine Garvin presents, “A Partnership To Be Looked Upon With Other Reverence . . . Or What The Broken Jaw of a Green Plastic Alligator Can Teach Us About Our Country and About Gonzaga University,” Cataldo Hall

CELEBRATION CONTINUES: Fall/Winter Events

- Pilgrimage, Sept. 15, bus leaves Gonzaga at 6:30 a.m.
- Red Mass for the law community, Sept. 10, 5:30 p.m., St. Aloysius Church
- Jesuit Heritage Week, Sept. 24-28

INTELLECTUAL

- Thomas L. Friedman, “That Used to Be Us: A Crucial Time for America and the Role Education Must Play,” Sept. 4, 7 p.m., McCarthey Athletic Center
- Scott Turow, “Where Are You, Perry Mason?”, Sept. 20, 7 p.m., Martin Centre

OTHER 125TH ANNIVERSARY NOTES

- “Celebrating Gonzaga: The University and Its People,” and “Celebrating Gonzaga School of Law: The First 100 Years,” keepsake books both available through the Zag Shop and gonzaga.edu/anniversarybooks.
- Seattle will soon boast a four-story-tall Gonzaga banner, directly north of Century Link Field.
- Watch for Gonzaga’s 125th Anniversary tabloid in the Sept. 16 Spokesman-Review (real estate section), and monthly full-page features in The Inlander
- Stories and memories of GU’s past student presidents are captured in a new booklet titled “Student Life: Gonzaga University 1887-2012.” Rae Anna

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Acclaimed authors, business leader speak at Gonzaga in September

Three-time Pulitzer-Prize-winning author Thomas L. Friedman, business leader Gerard Centioli and attorney/author Scott Turow deliver addresses on campus in September as part of Gonzaga’s 125th Anniversary celebration.

Friedman came to campus Sept. 4 as part of the Presidential Speaker Series. He discussed the important responsibility education has in helping the nation become more competitive in a global economy. An Oxford University-educated columnist for The New York Times, Friedman has authored six best-selling books, including the widely known “The World is Flat: A Brief History of the 21st Century” (2005), an international best-seller that examined the impact of globalization.

Centioli will deliver the 2012 Pigott Entrepreneurship Lecture. A 1976 graduate of Gonzaga, Centioli has spent most of his life in the restaurant business. His family opened one of the first Kentucky Fried Chicken franchises, and Centioli will draw on lessons he learned personally from Colonel Harland Sanders, KFC’s famous founder. He later founded ICON, a company that develops iconic food-service brands. ICON operates all Krispy Kreme stores in the Northwest.

Mass of the Holy Spirit, Pilgrimage highlight Anniversary Celebration Week festivities

The Mass of the Holy Spirit and Pilgrimage, two of the longest standing traditions at Gonzaga, are at the heart of our anniversary celebration.

Mass of the Holy Spirit is a time to ask God’s blessings on our students, faculty and staff as we begin another academic year together. The Mass welcomes all faith backgrounds. Mission Vice President Father Frank Case, S.J., serves as celebrant and President Thayne McCulloh offers reflections. Mass is Sept. 12, 11:15 a.m., at St. Aloysius Church. All 11- and 12-o’clock classes are canceled that day, and all departments are urged to refrain from meetings during that time.

Faculty and staff are encouraged to attend the Mass. Pilgrimage organizers are expecting more than 250 participants this year. The Pilgrimage begins in front of Crosby Hall at 6:30 a.m. Sept. 15 with a bus ride to an outpost east of Coeur d’Alene. Pilgrims begin their venture with breakfast at the Snake Pit in Enaville, Idaho, then hike 11 miles to Cataldo Mission, the oldest building in Idaho. Participants are welcome to skip the hike and join Mass and lunch at the mission at 2:30 p.m. Registration is required by Sept. 10. Contact the University Ministry office at ext. 4242 or gon-zaga.edu/pilgrimage to register. Cost is $15.

Former president writes about concern for the culture

Father Bernard Coughlin, S.J., recently published a collection of essays on American culture in a book titled, “The Soul of a Nation.” His message is one of concern for the culture of the United States, which has strayed further and further from a strong embrace of Christianity. Organized in chapters on culture, morality, law, education and faith, the book includes scholarly work as well as more informal pieces.

“My hope is that many young people, and elderly as well, will read the essays and find them challenging,” Coughlin wrote in his preface. “Some of them question the political drift of our society over this past half century. I am under no illusion that the reader will agree with everything I have to say. I am sure many will question, even disagree with some things I have written.”

Several essays offer an indictment of the upswing of moral relativism; Coughlin also sets his sights on seemingly small acts or omissions — for instance, a speaker who omits all reference to our Creator when he quotes from the Declaration of Independence. Taken together, such changes exert a powerful force on our culture, he argues.

Published by Hamilton Books/University Press of America, “The Soul of a Nation” may be ordered at Hamilton-books.com, search by Coughlin.

McKenzie-O’Neill honored with Patriot Award

The U.S. Navy took note of Amber McKenzie-O’Neill’s care for Navy Reservist Lt. Harry Daniels-Schatz by honoring Gonzaga’s associate director of international student programs with its Patriot Award.

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New Positions/ Promotion

Recruiting.

assistant, Library Services; point administrator, ITS; Megan Riebe Casey administrative secretary II, Athletics Sciences; director, Bookstore; da Bobko Samuel Allen, assistant professor, Engineering; Rovick Education; Mail Services; Nhi Le, custodian specialist V, Plant; Kay Mohr, administrative secretary II, Residence/Housing; Vicki Olson, director, Health Center; Brenda Roske, custodian, Plant Services; Barbara Goehner, cataloging and stack maintenance assistant III, School of Law; Connie Hickman, senior faculty assistant, Communication Arts; Mark Machtoff, head baseball coach. Athletics; Brenda Warrington, academics technical application coordinator, IT, Brett Hendricks, computer labs manager, Arts/Sciences; Ann-Scott Ettinger, biology lab specialist, Arts/Sciences; Anjela Mertens, interlibrary loan supervisor, Foley, Joan sarles, director, Admissions; Sharon Straub, director of professional development programs. Education: Janice Carruthers, academic credentials eval, Registrar; David Lindsay, director, Student Activities; Rodolfo Pagsanjan, conference manager, Campus Services; Sonja Steele, administrative secretary II, Athletics.

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Cradle Call

Derek Pittman, Athletics, and wife Amber had a baby girl. Jozy was born on May 16. Joseph Mudd, Religious Studies, and wife Vanessa had a baby boy. John Tucker was born on June 4. Kim Brus, University Relations, and husband Shan had a baby girl. Katie was born on June 25. Jae Webb, Student Life, and wife Krista had a baby boy. Ronen was born on Aug. 9.

Age-old question: What makes a Jesuit university Jesuit?

T his question has bedeviled us Jesuits ever since we stopped answering it with, "It’s a Jesuit university because there are Jesuits in charge of it and working there." Over these past 50 years of reflection our answer has matured considerably while at the same time taking on a greater complexity as a result, partially, of incorporating a vast and rich array of colleagues into a shared understanding of and commitment to the mission of Jesuit higher education.

It is important to note that we are talking about both the noun "university" and the adjective "Jesuit." A Jesuit university is first and foremost a university. Education is our project and product. St. Ignatius recognized early on how vitally important education is – both for the effectiveness of the men who would join the Society of Jesus, and for carrying out most effectively the Society’s mission of service to the world. Thus the long-standing commitment to academic excellence on the part of Jesuit universities. We are not unique in this but without this commitment we lose our Jesuit and Catholic identity, to say nothing of compromising our identity as a university.

What then are some of the distinctive qualities that describe the adjective “Jesuit”? Perhaps first and foremost is the desire to educate the whole person – as we say, in mind, body and spirit. This desire underlies the ideal of an integrated liberal education. Education is not only for the sake of personal growth, but should also include the development of a care and concern for others, a maturing relationship with God, and a sense of responsibility towards creation. We are relational beings for whom belonging to a community is essential, and our community nowadays is increasingly the entire world. And Jesuits believe that within that community of the world we find God.

Fr. Peter-Hans Kolvenbach, S.J., the former superior general of the Society, said in his Santa Clara address in 2000, "The measure of Jesuit universities is not what our students do but who they become and the adult Christian responsibility they will exercise in future towards their neighbor and their world." We aspire to educate women and men who will make a difference for good in their communities and the world. – Father Frank Case, S.J.

Statement of Affirmation

At the Joint Meeting of Trustees and Regents in July, leaders of Gonzaga and the Oregon Province formally affirmed the mutually supportive relationship that has existed since Gonzaga’s inception in 1887 by signing a Statement of Affirmation. A booklet containing this statement will be distributed to faculty and staff later this fall.

In 2008, the U.S. Jesuit provincials asked each Jesuit university president to formulate such a statement in collaboration with their provincial. President Thayne McCulloh, in collaboration with Vice President for Mission Father Frank Case, S.J., seized this opportunity to enunciate and develop the underlying values of Gonzaga’s mission arising from its Jesuit, Catholic and humanistic identity and tradition. Besides the articulation of the values inherent in Gonzaga’s mission, the statement delineates responsibilities of the Board of Trustees and the University administration in caring for the mission and the University’s relationship with a wide range of constituencies.

Father Pat Lee, S.J., Oregon Province provincial; John Luger, chair of GU’s Board of Trustees; and Thayne McCulloh signed the statement. A draft was circulated on campus in fall 2011.

With the signing, Gonzaga can “continue to carry the name Jesuit: willingly sought by the Trustees and willingly given by the provincial on behalf of the Society of Jesus,” said Father Case.
President exhorts colleagues to pull together for the long haul

President Thayne McCulloh spoke to faculty gathered in the Martin Centre for the 2012 Fall Faculty Conference about sustaining the university and, in particular, his thoughts on and responses to one of the major questions of our time: how to deal with the recession and its aftermath.

"Exacerbated by the prolonged effects of the economic recession and the instability it has wrought...,” he said, "the fundamental questions are What’s the plan? Where are we going? and By what process do we find our way to the right answer? "

Dr. McCulloh turned briefly to Gonzaga’s history—appropriately given this 125th Anniversary year. Among its strengths, he counted the Jesuits' toughness; Gonzaga’s devotion to the Jesuit ethos of care for the whole person and to the value of a liberal arts education; as well as the Gonzaga community’s deep love for the institution.

Turning to the future, Dr. McCulloh spoke of moving from being a “good, solid institution” to becoming “one of America’s truly excellent Jesuit, Catholic and humanistic universities.” The president made clear that he offers the idea neither as hyperbole, nor as saccharine— but as a sustainable outcome that deserves dialogue through this year, and that will be possible only with the active participation of the faculty. “Without you, we can never get there. With you, pushing this institution to be and become its best self, we cannot be stopped,” he told the largely faculty audience.

Undergraduate enrollment is right on target. Dr. McCulloh said. Admission’s goal of 1,110 freshmen and 135 transfers translated into opening day figures of 1,099 freshmen and 124 transfers. The incoming class has more ethnic diversity than any other class at 23 percent, is as strong academically as any of GU’s classes. The new students come from 35 states and several countries.

Dr. McCulloh also announced that the University’s accrediting agency, the Northwest Commission on Colleges and University has reaffirmed our accreditation.

Prep Week, class restrictions eliminated

The Academic Council has revised the academic schedule and guidelines for the last two weeks of each semester. Academic Vice President Patricia O’Connell Killen clarified last month.

All classes, except labs, are expected to meet during the 16th week, whether or not a final examination is given. In courses other than labs where finals are given, the final is to be given in the 16th week. The Saturday through Monday preceding the 16th week of the semester are designated study/reading days. No classes will be held on Monday and no exams may be given. The schedule for the 16th week is established by the registrar and it consists of two-hour meeting times, Tuesday through Friday.

This policy change means that Prep Week has been eliminated and no restrictions are in place for the 15th week of the semester. The 16th week is established by the registrar and it consists of two-hour meeting times, Tuesday through Friday.

New doctoral nursing program offered online

Beginning this spring Gonzaga will offer a doctor of nursing practice degree, and it will be the first program for which Gonzaga’s Virtual Campus will recruit students and handle admissions management. The American Association of Colleges of Nursing requires that all nurses in advanced practice (nurses permitted to diagnose and treat patients and prescribe medication) have this degree by 2015.

“Healthcare has become increasingly more complex and requires a higher level of knowledge and skill,” said Lin Murphy, nursing department chair.

Gonzaga’s program is based on a virtual-learning model, where students communicate with their professors and classmates via Blackboard, Skype and email. The cornerstone of the program is a requirement that each student identifies a practice issue, researches evidence on the topic, and then implements an evidence-based change in his or her own practice to improve patient care. This is a standard model for DNP programs, which are focused on improving practice. Students will be on campus twice during the program: once at the beginning of their studies for orientation, development of a research topic, and faculty meetings, and later to defend their project proposals.

Distance learning is not unusual for the nursing department, which has offered a master’s degree program for registered nurses for more than 35 years. The program has evolved from sendingVHS tapes of lectures to distant students to now being able to engage them in online learning. “This is nothing new for us,” Murphy said.

The department intends to enroll 12 students this spring, and then 20 each semester after that, including summers. “The DNP rounds out our programs,” said Murphy. “We now offer a BS in nursing, accelerated RN to MSN and MSN degrees, and a doctorate.”

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Victor, Security communications coordinator, has undertaken this project. The booklet is expected to be available in October.

• Jesuit Heritage Week, Sept. 24-27, offers two lectures on Catholic identity, a showing and discussion of the movie “The Mission,” and a special Mass. Loyola Marymount theologian Michael Horan presents the first lecture, Sept. 24, 7 p.m., on “Catholic Identity 50 Years after Vatican II: the Church in the Postmodern World.” “Ever Ancient, Ever New: The Jesuits Respond to Vatican II with Alacrity” is a lecture scheduled Sept. 27, 7 p.m., by Father Patrick Howell, S.J., rector, Arrupe Jesuit Community, Seattle University. "The Mission" will be shown and discussed Sept. 25, 7 p.m. Both lectures and the movie will be held in the Jundt Art Museum auditorium.

To celebrate Jesuit Heritage Week, Oregon Province Provincial Father Pat Lee, S.J., will preside at Mass, Sept. 26, 5:10 p.m. in the University Chapel.

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