


Achievements

2006

The image features a large, stylized representation of the year '2006'. The digits are rendered with a vibrant red-to-purple gradient and a glowing, ethereal quality. They are set against a dark, textured background that resembles a night sky or a microscopic view, with streaks of blue and white light swirling around the numbers. The overall composition is dynamic and celebratory.





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ACHIEVEMENTS 2006



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Adult and Professional Education Students ...
The Focus of Achievement

June 2006

Dear Saint Joseph's College:

You remember this, don't you? Carol Burnett, at the close of her weekly variety show, would tug on her right earlobe, singing, "*I'm so glad we had this time together. Just have a laugh or sing a song. Seems we just got started and before you know it: It's the time we have to say so long. Good night everybody.*" Well, St. Joseph's this seems to express the way I feel right now. I'm glad we had this time together.

This has been a positive and powerful journey here at St. Joseph's. Friendships have been made, some long term, and others just for the semester. The professors have invested well in the Class of 2006. I will remember your tests, term papers, red pens, criticisms, corrections and praise. You sharing your personal experiences, your words of wisdom and encouragement. I embrace the future having been taught well, and challenged to go further than my fathers.

I will always remember the little lady, about five feet and a couple of inches tall. It seemed that whenever St. Joseph's was open, she was there. If you didn't know better, you would think that she lived there. She loved the College, the students and her colleagues. Dr. *Maude E. Robinson* was the teacher that everybody knew and loved. She not only taught from the textbook, but she taught from life itself. She has left a little of herself with all of us. Just think what the angels are being taught by Dr. Robinson. She is missed, but always remembered.

"I'm so glad we had this time together!" Thank you St. Joseph's. I have reason to celebrate. My classmates and I are now prepared to embrace the future with hope and great confidence. *"And now it's time to say so long. Good night everybody."*

By James Ronald Chambers
The Class of 2006

My Transition to College

By Monica Lee

A&P Student

Prior to attending St. Joseph's College, I was ready for a transition. I had worked for twenty plus years in "Corporate America" for not-for-profit and for-profit health insurance companies and managed care HMO's. I had supervised and managed staff. I had conducted analyses and generated report after report. I had trained staff, marketed products, and participated in various decision-making processes for many years. For three years, I even ran my own desktop publishing business. After 9/11, I worked for Homeland Security as a trainer. I had accomplished all of these things with only a high school diploma.

During the course of those working years, my Aunt Joan would often ask me, "when are you going to St. Joseph's to enroll? I would reply by saying "one day." Those words became a routine part of our social exchange, and became as common an expression as "have a nice day." My aunt Joan even went so far as to place my name on the College's mailing list. Envelopes large and small would arrive and I would place them off to the side, as one would do with a birthday card after the day had passed.

In all of our lives, life-altering events occur. Mine occurred on December 3, 2003, with the sudden and unexpected death of my father. I grieved his passing every day. During this time, I was not working, and had all the time in the world to be sad, and to think. One day in the spring of 2004, while doing *nothing*, nothing but thinking, thinking about life in general and my life specifically, I thought about St. Joseph's. I contemplated all that mail I had received from the College and my aunt's repeated question, and finally said: "it's time."

After reviewing the course catalog, I decided that I would like to study Community Health and Human Services. Within a few days, I saw my aunt. Of course, she asked that famous question: "When are we going to St. Joseph's to enroll you?" I replied, "When are you free?" The expression on her face was priceless. The following week, I applied for admission.

In the days that followed, I waited nervously to learn whether my application had been accepted. I began to panic contemplating the courses I might have to take, in particular mathematics. The mere thought of math sent terror surging through my body. I remember being assured by my best friend and mother, that everything would be fine. A week later, I received a letter from St. Joseph's: the College was happy to accept me as a student. I remember thinking "that's pretty cool."

I made arrangements to meet with a counselor to map out my future and to register for classes. I met *Angela Diaz*. What a warm welcome she gave me! I immediately felt as though I belonged here and I instantly knew that my decision to return to school (guided by my Aunt Joan) had been a good one.

My re-introduction to the world of school was influenced by my recollection of my past experiences. I was nervous. The fall semester started, and I attended my first classes. I liked the fact that the campus was small, because my high school had been small. There was congruence between the past and the present. One of my professors had rules and some students perceived him to be rigid and unbending. Professor *Michael Latimer* informed us that class started at 6:00 p.m. and that anyone arriving after this time would be marked late, and he meant it. He had other rules too, but he also had great expectations for our success. The key to succeeding in his class was to do your work thoroughly and to follow his instructions to the letter. Professor *Latimer* dressed the part of a professor, right down to

the occasional bow tie and vest. However, on the last day of class, he wore jeans, boots and a cowboy hat, confirming that he was a regular guy.

The next professor was a little woman with a big heart and soul. This teacher brought the text to life through stories and interactions with the students. Dr. *Gloria Gasper* inspired me to listen and to learn. I once told her, "I get you." I took several Saturday classes with her. When my classes with Dr. *Gasper* ended, and I had classes with different instructors, I would still pop in on her during lunch and would tell her "that it would not be Saturday without Professor *Gasper*."

My PELA mentor, Professor *Arthur Dolan*, often told us to look for coincidences. He was right, because when I applied to the College, I happened to check "yes" next to the box marked work-study, and shortly after the fall semester began, I received a telephone call inviting me to join the work-study program. I was assigned as a Teacher's Assistant to Drs. *Maude Robinson* and *Sharon Didier*. It was my responsibility to set-up laptop computers and to assist these professors and their students, as needed. Professor *Robinson* invited me to her lectures. She treated me as a student, not just a worker. She gave me handouts and invited me to ask questions. This was great. Whenever I encountered Dr. *Robinson* on campus, she always greeted me with a smile, and asked me how I was doing in my classes. Her spirit was encouraging and it was my hope and plan that one day I would actually take one of her classes. On May 16, 2005, as I checked my e-mail, I learned that Dr. *Maude Robinson* had passed away. I tried not to cry, I had homework to do. But I did cry, for Dr. *Robinson* and for myself. When a teacher dies, information is lost. When a good teacher dies, so much more goes with that teacher. The spirit of that educator and zest for sharing knowledge is gone forever.

Most of my work as a Teacher's Assistant was with Dr. *Sharon Didier*. Dr. *Didier* is a remarkable educator. She challenges her students to work and learn. Her enthusiasm and interest propels one to succeed. Dr. *Didier*, like Dr. *Robinson*, extended a hand of inclusion and enabled me to learn wholeheartedly. Whenever I meet Professor *Didier* on campus, we talk and she always inquires about my progress and offers kind words of encouragement.

In all, I have had countless positive experiences at St. Joseph's College. I have met wonderful and interesting people. I have learned many things from textbooks and the professors and some within myself. Some of my coursework has helped me to heal the loss of my father. It was his passing that changed my life and put me on the path to the College.

While some colleges have an extensive campus, with rolling hills and commons, the little path that extends between Lorenzo Hall and Tuohy Hall suits me just fine!

REFLECTIONS

By Christopher Valis
The Class of 2006

Graduation is not only a time to look forward to the future but also to reflect on the past. It is both a time to celebrate and to look ahead with excitement. Today, during this moment that signifies our great accomplishment, we must remember those that have inspired us.

As I prepared to graduate, I remembered how difficult the decision to continue my education was. Two short years ago, the thought of returning to school and earning my Bachelor's degree seemed as though it would never be realized. I had a variety of reasons for not returning. There were financial reasons, time constraints, or whatever excuse I could conjure up not to return to school. The desire to continue my education was always there, but the excuses overshadowed it. I needed encouragement and inspiration and lucky enough for me, I knew the perfect person who would provide it: my wife.

My wife, a St. Joseph's alumnus, encouraged and supported me to return to the world of academia. She believed that this College was the perfect place to accomplish my dreams. Armed with her inspiration, I enrolled. Immediately, I realized that I had made the right choice. The close-knit community here allowed me to be taught by great professors and to grow as a person. Professors like *Daniel Beni*, *Bob Dunn* and *Rupert Campbell* became more than just educators - they became mentors, and I aspire to be like them. Though this journey has not always been easy, it has been exceptionally rewarding.

All of us graduates have a similar story. Someone has influenced or inspired us along the way. Today is the perfect day to remember and appreciate them. Graduation is as much about us as it is about them. Remember, as these special people congratulate you, turn around and thank them. Today we graduate; tomorrow we must become the inspiration to others.

The plan was to continue my education after marriage. The birth of our first child pushed this plan to the back burner. Five years later, the birth of our second child forced this plan off the burner, down the side of the stove, and to the floor. Convention wisdom states that life is what happens while you are busy making other plans. One divorce and two children later, I needed a *real* life plan. How to feed three people on one paycheck, manage quality time with the children, keep my sanity, and steal a nap on my day off, were constant issues.

Single parenthood is a self-taught pass or fail course. I quickly realized that time management was the key to any successful business or social plan. Since time is the one thing we never seem to have enough of, it is important not to waste it. When I began to think of returning to college, I knew that I needed a program that would consider my life circumstances: one that would make the most efficient use of my time. Saint Joseph's College seemed like the best place to re-invent my plan to complete my education. My initial contact with the College was pleasant enough to assure me that I was finally on the right track. The congenial faculty and friendly atmosphere here are highly conducive to adult learning and achievement.

I have studied management theories, skills and techniques that have significantly enriched my professional life. My new plan is to graduate next year with a Baccalaureate degree in Organizational Management. My friends and family have supported me with constant love and encouragement. Still, I imagine my life happy even after retirement, working and giving back to the community the better part of my experience. And hoping after all, to catch a quick nap on my day off.

By Veronica Bullard
A&P Student



Saint Joseph's
College, a
perfect place to
plan for the
future.

My name is Gidelle L. Snead and I came to St. Joseph's College from another collegiate setting in the fall of 2004. My experiences at St. Joseph's have been very rewarding. Before I began my studies here, I really wasn't sure what career path would really work for me. All I knew was that I wanted to be a Nurse and a Manager. Then I took Human Resources Management with Professor *Minnie Stanley*. Her dedication to human resources and her passion for the career she loves changed my whole outlook. I have been exposed to this field in all of my past jobs and the recruitment and selection processes fascinate me. I work for the Health Care Union in Manhattan in the Employment Center, and her class taught me how to deal with people from different cultures and how to deal with people on all levels.

I have met many new people and have had many different experiences at St. Joseph's. Many classes taken with excellent professors have contributed to this enriched outlook. Adults In Transition with Professor *Daniel Beni* and Mental Health Crisis Intervention with Professor *Gloria Gasper*, taught me how to deal with life and to move into adulthood in an effective way. I feel that I am now more able to deal with and handle any and all changes that may come my way.

St. Joseph's has so much to offer the student who is serious about education and learning. I have no regrets about the choice I have made in coming here and I look forward to bright outcomes when my new life begins.

Gidelle L. Snead
A&P Student

Life as a student at Saint Joseph's College has been a tremendous challenge. It took me several years to accomplish my educational goal, and although there were hardships along the way, I have now attained my Bachelor's degree.

Thanks to the support of my family, friends and the professors at the College, I am honored to write this short tribute.

I would like to give thanks to the Most High, for without Him, none of this would have been possible.

In closing, I would say that in order to succeed, remember this quote:

"To try is not to fail."

Thank You, and Success to All.

Leah Hart

The Class of 2006

ORIGINAL POETRY

By Joanne B. Anastasio

A&P Faculty Member

SHE'S ALL THAT

An old building, weathered from years of rain, snow and hot sun. She stands out proud and anxious for her new students. She cries out in joyful glee. At all, as she puts, it her precious cargo that have passed her halls. The young who have thirsted for an education, as she too has looked to the heavens for rain on a hot, humid day in Brooklyn. What does she see for her self, as she slips into her golden years. The brick losing its luster with age. She looks across the road to a new and updated building, sitting on a piece of foundation that has structure but holds none of her dreams. They are hers and hers alone. Only she can remember the past and the beginning of her life in the year 1916 when she first stood proud and held out her arms to the rewards of education.

GRADUATION DAY

Midterms, Finals, Term Papers, is that what life is about? Where are we going in this mad dash for, as it is so greatly overstated, a better life through education. I have been under pressure for over four years to attain my goal. The big day is finally here and my gown is too short, the cap looks funny on hair that has seen better days. My family flies in from the homeland, for what: to see their daughter walk down the aisle and grab hold as tight as she can to this white piece of paper that has become her obsession. Has it just been her parents dream, when did it become hers too? Long ago, maybe it was always hers, this dream of an education. Doesn't really matter, the day of her release is finally here. Wait, what is that you say? No way, forget it. Ah, what the heck. Wasn't doing anything any way. You say it will only be another two years. Master's Program "Let's Rock."

Back in the day, there was a great program on television, which dealt with the return of a student to the classroom as an educator. Most of us know that the program I am speaking about is "Welcome Back Kotter." Well, I am that student turned educator, and I am back in the greatest College on the Eastern seaboard.

Let's take a look at the faculty. We have educators from all walks of life. Professors like *William Green, Michael Connolly, Lorraine Boykin, Daniel Beni, and Gloria Gaspar*, just to name a few, have been the heart and soul of our College. How about giving Vice President and Dean, Thomas Travis a round of "thank you" for all he has done to make our teaching experience a memorable one? He was also a pretty good Dean to those of us that were also fortunate to be students here.

When I moved here from Arizona in 1966, and wanted to complete my education, I researched so many colleges that it was mind-boggling. But time and time again, St. Joseph's stood out, not only for the quality of its course offerings throughout the College, but particularly for its School of Adult and Professional Education, where a mature student can experience that the return to school is an enjoyable one and can be embarked upon without feeling as if one should have done this years ago! To be able to find oneself in the future of computer science and health care. To share this journey to a better life through education!

St. Joseph's has produced great personalities and educators that are willing to go that extra mile, to make you feel at home. Almost forgot to mention, "Thanks for Welcoming Your Own Mr. Kotter, Joanne Anastasio, to My Dream of Being a Faculty Member at Saint Joseph's College."

Joanne B. Anastasio
A and P Faculty Member

MY EXPERIENCES AT SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE

By Ramon Garcia

The Class of 2006

I will be completing my Bachelor of Science degree at St. Joseph's College, in January 2006, with a major in Organizational Management. I have really enjoyed attending classes, and I plan to apply to graduate school.

By far, I am **most** thankful to all the professors at the College. The professors at the School of Adult and Professional Education **will not** let you fail. Most of our professors will give you their telephone numbers and e-mail addresses, so that you can contact them anytime for any problems or questions you may have. I remember that last year, when I could not attend class due to laser eye surgery, I was able to call my professor at 10:00 p.m. that night. He was at home and able to brief me on the material he had taught earlier that day.

That was wonderful, but I still thank him every time I see him. Here at St. Joseph's College, the professors will help you out - not a teaching assistant. It seems to me that here, the professors care about your success.

The second thing that I like most about our College is the small class size. Prior to enrolling at St. Joseph's, I attended another area university. I dropped out after two days. I was in a class of 300 students. Granted, I could have taken the class and passed the examinations, but I do believe that I wouldn't have learned a thing there. Here at St. Joseph's the professors **know** my name. I am not a number. I can ask my professors as many questions as I want. Their aim is to make certain that the students actually learn something.

To my thinking, a degree is a piece of paper that you can hang on the wall. Any college or university can give you that. Here at St. Joseph's college, you gain **knowledge**.



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SCHOOL OF ADULT AND
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Dear Graduate,

The graduation season is a special time, filled with feelings of accomplishment, fond memories, and anticipation about the future. It is also a time for reflection about what it is that we have learned and what we are going to do with that learning as we move forward with our lives.

This reflection does not take place in a vacuum. Our lives are not lived in isolation. We are connected with family, friends, and co-workers. We are also a part of a larger community, and the events therein have a profound effect on how we view the world and how we choose to live our lives in all its dimensions.

This year we have seen the tragedy of Katrina, where the disparities along socio-economic and color lines show that as a society we have not done enough to eliminate oppression and to safeguard the most vulnerable in our midst. This was also the year which saw the passing of Coretta Scott King and Rosa Parks. It reminded us of a time when courageous people risked all for what they believed. And it underscored the transforming power of seemingly small, humble acts performed with pride in the advancement of a righteous cause.

So as we prepare to leave the community of St. Joseph's, where we have been exposed to the liberating ideals associated with higher education, and where we have shared and learned from faculty and students with diverse backgrounds and experiences, let us commit ourselves to the cause of helping others—wherever we encounter them—live better, fuller, and freer lives.

In closing, I would like to offer congratulations to you as we mark the attainment of your degree. You have every reason to be proud and joyful. I would also like to extend a word of appreciation to Daniel Beni, Susie James, Linda Fonte, and Karen Williams for the work they have done to make this year's *Achievements* such a success. I hope it will serve as a fitting reminder of your years at St. Joseph's College.

Sincerely,

Thomas G. Travis
Vice President and Dean
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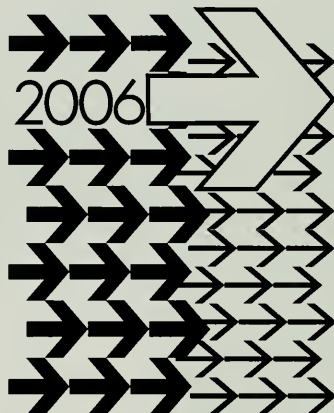
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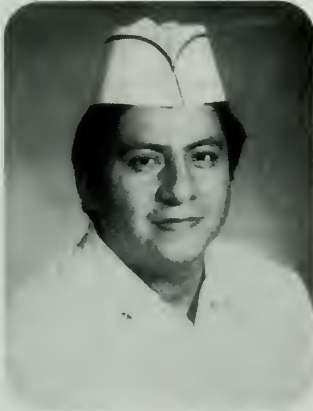
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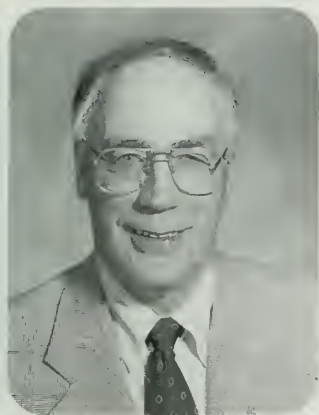
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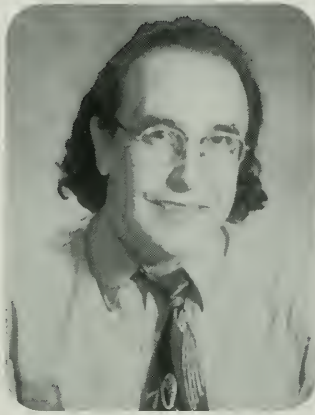
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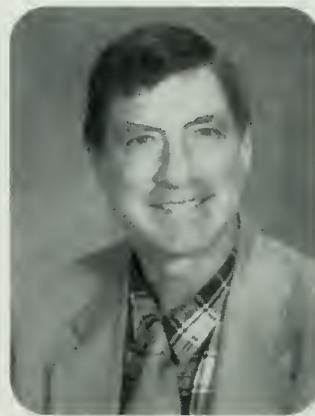
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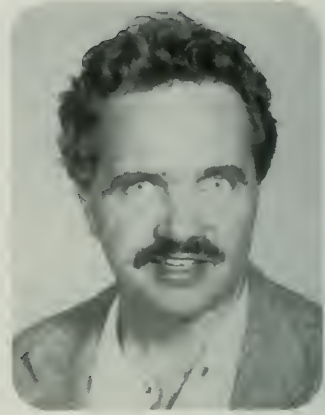
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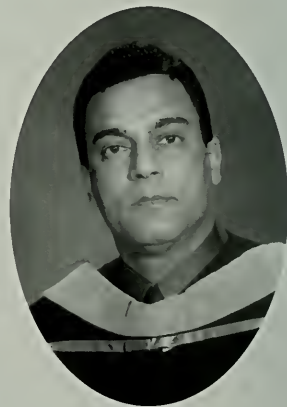
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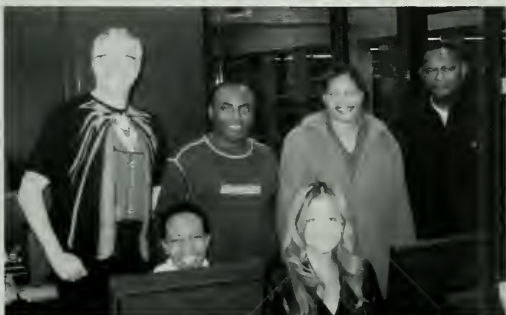
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Clarence Enos (left standing) and some of his Thursday COM 141 students.



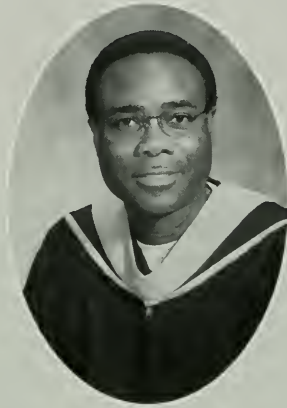
Clarence Stanley and students pause for the Achievements camera before returning to class.

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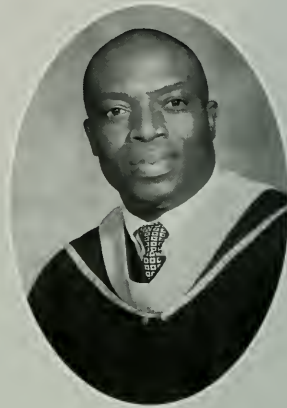
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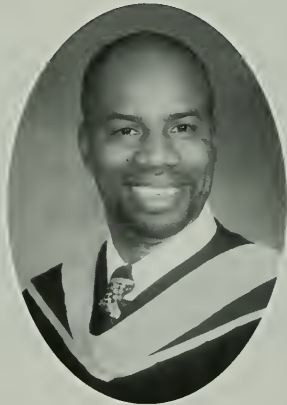
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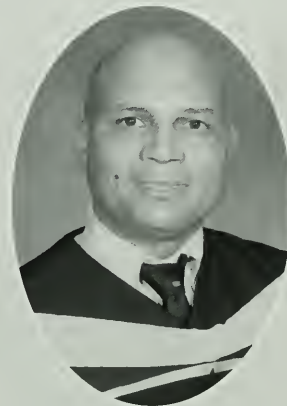
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Leah Hart



Elliot Small discusses computer applications utilized at the workplace.



Rupert Campbell (Center) reviews key concepts with his process of management students.



Anthony Summers assists students to acquire health care administration skills.



Arthur Dolan reviews arguments submitted by his students in critical thinking.

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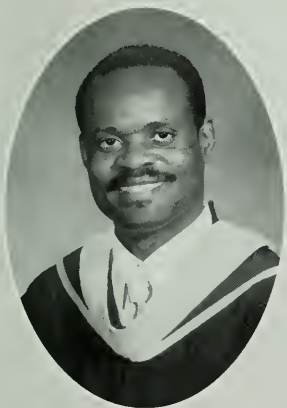
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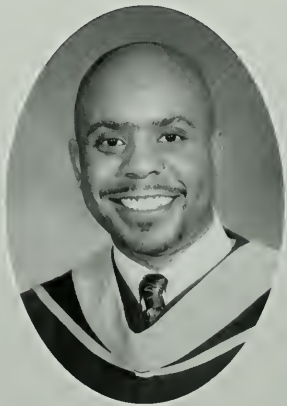
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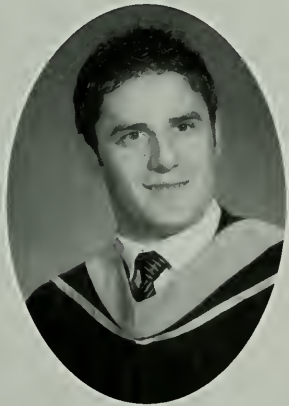
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I've done it. Me, now a graduate! I'm filled with happiness. Life at Saint Joseph's College has been rewarding both academically and socially. This is a life long memory of a wonderful accomplishment, that I will forever cherish. However, I couldn't have done it without the support of my families, friends and the wonderful staff at Saint Joseph's. I want each of you to know how much I appreciate the assistance that you each gave me through this rewarding and fulfilling journey.

First, I want to thank God for this extraordinary experience. Bhaggia Ramprashad, my grandmother, who brought me to this beautiful land of opportunities. Randy, my husband, for making me strong and for making me believe that I can accomplish anything I put my mind to. Randy Jr., my son, for inspiring me. Susan, my mom, for instilling in me the importance of education. Ignatius, my dad, for my emotional intelligence.

Second, I would like to thank my brothers, my sister, my father-in-law and my mother-in-law. Renny, Ravi, Rishi, Samantha and Annette for all the help with my son R.J. I truly appreciate it. I feel blessed to have such loving relatives to assist me with my son, especially when I needed it the most.

Last, but not least, I would like to thank my colleagues for being team players and friends. And the staff at Saint Joseph's for being so remarkable. Thanks for all the guidance and assistance. It is greatly appreciated.

(P.S. Special thanks to Dr. *Sharon Didier*, Dr. *Coty Keller*, Dr. *Richard Torz* and Dr. *Robert Marose* for a diverse learning experience. And Professor *Daniel Beni*, thank you for giving me this opportunity to express myself).

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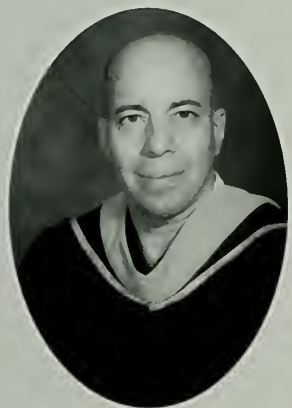
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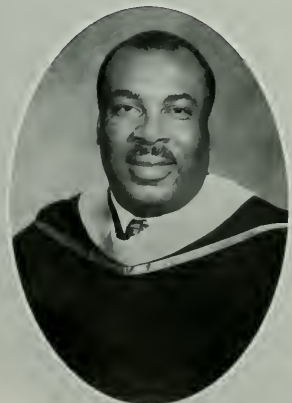
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Angela Diaz takes a moment from her busy schedule to greet Achievements Photo Staff.

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IT'S OVER, LET'S CELEBRATE

By James R. Chambers
The Class of 2006

Days of testing and long classroom lectures
Mr. Anxiety attacks
Novel sized documents are due to be handed in, yesterday
Burning the midnight oil
Coffee has been the lover that I couldn't leave
Books scattered about, my new found furniture
Stressed and stretched pockets
Loss of weight, hair and almost my mind, excuse me what's today?
Study groups galore
Researching everything from A to Z
Professors, professors & more professors
Remember this date
It's Over, Let's Celebrate

I stretch my arms and I breath again
I lean back in my chair and smile again
I close my eyes and dream again
I lie in bed and sleep again
I shed a few tears and thank God, again

It's Over, Let's Celebrate



DR. MAUDE ELOISE ROBINSON
In Memoriam
January 18, 1927-May 5, 2005

Dr. Maude Eloise Robinson, a recipient of two Ph. D. degrees, a Post-Masters degree in Gerontology, a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and a third Bachelor's degree in Theology, taught at St. Joseph's College School of Adult and Professional Education from September 1977 to May 2005. Education was a priority to her and she devoted her career to helping others. Her passion and love for helping people to become their best self led her through hospital corridors, and operating and emergency rooms as a registered nurse and nursing instructor. Her desire to share her education and experience led her from the hospital room to the classroom.

Dr. Robinson began her teaching career at Hunter College and in 1977 she graced us with her presence, here at St. Joseph's College. She brought a wealth of knowledge and experiences that she eagerly shared in the classroom and in the office. Her love for St. Joseph's was always visible in the humble way she served our students, faculty and staff members; and further through her gigantic smile and pride as she carried the Mace on Graduation day. Some students described her as:

"An excellent professor; extremely fair and encouraging. She is excited about teaching, sensitive and a genuine delight. Her passion is evident; she teaches and leads by example. I will always remember her."

Thank you, Dr. Maude E. Robinson for giving of yourself as our teacher, our mentor, our role model, and our friend. We are all better because you touched our lives.

BREAKFAST AT MCDONALD'S

AUTHOR UNKNOWN

I am a mother of three (ages 14, 12, 3) and have recently completed my college degree. The last class I had to take was Sociology!

The teacher was absolutely inspiring with the qualities that I wish every human being had been graced with.

Her last project of the term was called "Smile."

The class was asked to go out and smile at everyone and say hello anyway; so I thought this would be a piece of cake, literally.

Soon after we were assigned to the project my husband, youngest son, and I went out to McDonald's on crisp March morning.

It was just our way of sharing special playtime with our son.

We were standing in line, waiting to be served, when all of a sudden everyone around us began to back away, and then even my husband did.

I did not move an inch ... an overwhelming feeling of panic welled up inside of me as I turned to see why they had *moved*.

As I turned around I smelled a horrible "dirty body" smell, and there standing behind me were two homeless men.

As I looked down at the short gentlemen, close to me; he was "smiling."

His beautiful blue were full of God's light as he searched for acceptance.

He said, "Good day" as he counted the few coins he had been clutching.

The second man fumbled with his hands as he stood behind his friend. I realized the second was mentally challenged and the blue-eyed gentleman was his salvation.

I held my tears as I stood there with them.

The young lady at the counter asked him what they wanted.

He said, "Coffee is all Miss" because that was all they could afford. (If they wanted to sit in the restaurant and warm up, they had to buy something. He just wanted to be warm.)

Then I felt it - the compulsion was so great I almost reached out and embraced the little man with the blue eyes.

That is when I noticed all eyes in the restaurant were set on me, judging my every action.

I smiled, and asked the young lady behind the counter to give me two more breakfast meals on a separate tray.

I then walked around the corner to the table that the men had chosen as a resting spot. I put the tray on the table and laid my hand on the blue-eyed gentleman's cold hand.

He looked up at me, with tears in his eyes, and said, "Thank you."

I leaned over, began to put his hand in mine, and said, "I did not do this for you. God is here working through me to give you hope."

I started to cry as I walked away to join my husband and son. When I sat down my husband smiled at me and said, "That is why God gave you to me, Honey, to give me hope."

We held hands for a moment and at that time, we knew that only because of the Grace that we had been given were we able to give.

We are not churchgoers, but we are believers.

That day showed me the pure Light of God's sweet life. I returned to college, on the last evening of class, with this story in hand.

I turned in "my project" and the instructor read it.

Then she looked up at me and said, "Can I share this?"

I slowly nodded as she got the attention of the class.

She began to read and that is when I knew that we as human beings and being part of God, share this need to heal people and to be healed.

In my own way, I had touched the people at McDonald's, my husband, son, instructor, and every soul that shared the classroom on the last night I spent as a college student.

I graduated with one of the biggest lessons I would ever learn: UNCONDITIONAL ACCEPTANCE.

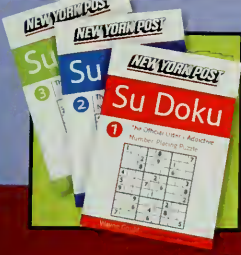
Much love and compassion is sent to each and every person who may read this and learn TO LOVE PEOPLE AND USE THINGS - NOT LOVE THINGS AND USE PEOPLE.

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SUCCESS IN ALL YOU UNDERTAKE,
MAY YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS BE
BRIGHT AND BOLD AND THE HAPPY
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EXPERIENCE LAST A LIFETIME.**



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HURRICANES

HIT HOME

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KATRINA

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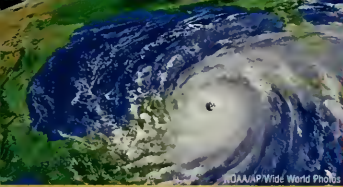
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September 22, 2005

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October 24, 2005





Hurricanes ravage the Gulf Coast region in the fall of 2005, posing an unprecedented test of the United States federal emergency response efforts. Hundreds of lives are lost and thousands are left homeless in the wake of Category 4 Hurricane Katrina, followed by Rita and Wilma. The tragedy spurs contributions of money, talents, homes, food and more in an attempt to raise spirits and rebuild the area.

August

- 25 Hurricane Katrina strikes Florida.
- 28 Mandatory evacuation of both New Orleans and Mississippi is ordered as Katrina becomes a Category 5 storm in the Gulf of Mexico.
- 29 Downgraded to a Category 4 storm, Katrina hits land. 1.3 million homes and businesses lose electricity in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. 30 levees are breached, flooding New Orleans and leaving 100,000 people stranded. After slow government response, civil unrest and looting begins.
- 31 President Bush surveys the damage.

September

- 1 30,000 National Guard troops are deployed. Gas prices spike to as high as \$5 per gallon.
- 2 President Bush visits Louisiana and signs a \$10.5 billion relief bill. Nearly 154,000 evacuees arrive in Texas.
- 4 The New Orleans Superdome is evacuated.
- 6 President Bush and Congress pledge to investigate the flawed disaster response.
- 9 Government-issued debit cards are distributed to evacuees. The program fails and is ended days later.
- 12 Michael Brown, head of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, resigns. Flooding is down to 50 percent in New Orleans.
- 14 New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin announces a phased repopulation plan.
- 15 New Orleans begins to reopen. Katrina is named the most destructive hurricane in U.S. history.
- 20 Louisiana Governor Kathleen Blanco declares a state of emergency as Hurricane Rita strengthens off the coast.
- 22 Rita hits the Louisiana coast and heads for Texas.
- 23 Thousands evacuate eastern Texas and the 9th Ward of New Orleans floods once again after levees are overrun.

October

- 24 Hurricane Wilma hits southwest Florida.

RIISING FROM THE STORMS



EPA/Shawn Dowling/Langlo

◀ Louisiana Governor Kathleen Blanco, President Bush and New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin survey the damage in New Orleans.



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▶ Thousands of Louisiana evacuees receive shelter and medical care in the AstroDome in Houston, Texas.



Andres Boscana/AP/Wide World Photos

▶ Many animals left behind during evacuation are rescued and given shelter or reunited with their owners.



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▶ Homes across the country are opened to families left homeless in the wake of Hurricane Katrina.

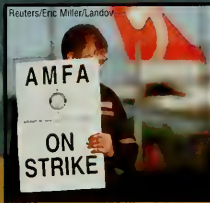


▶ Thousands of volunteers help Habitat for Humanity rebuild homes in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama.



▶ Three months after Katrina strikes, the first New Orleans public school reopens on November 28.

05-06 Front Page Headlines



Reuters/ERIC MILLER/LANDOV
 ▲ Several airlines declare bankruptcy due to huge fuel, labor and security costs. Passengers see fees for pillows, aisle seats and more as carriers seek new revenue sources.



EPA/DANIEL DEMER/PHOTO
 ▲ During rush hour on July 7, London is hit by terrorist attacks. Bombs strike one bus as well as the city's underground trains, leaving 56 people dead and 700 injured.



BUSANI WELSH/AP/WIDE WORLD PHOTOS
 ▲ John G. Roberts Jr. becomes the 17th Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court following the death of William Rehnquist.

▼ On October 15, Iraqi voters ratify a U.S.-supported draft constitution that establishes a federal state. A second election, in December, creates the new government's first parliament.



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▲ Violence in Iraq continues to cost lives. Since the war began in March 2003, over 27,700 Iraqi civilians and 2,300 coalition troops have died.



▲ Gasoline prices surge in September before falling back to pre-hurricane levels. Major oil companies face federal questioning after revealing profits of over \$35 billion during this period.

▶ A devastating 7.6-magnitude earthquake hits the Kashmir region of Pakistan in October, killing 87,000 and leaving 3.5 million homeless.



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Faces of Meth/Courtesy Multnomah County Sheriff's Office

▲ In January 2006, Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf is sworn in as Liberia's president, making her Africa's first elected female leader.

▲ Vice President Dick Cheney's top aide I. Lewis "Scooter" Libby resigns after being indicted in October on criminal charges relating to the leaking of a CIA officer's identity.

▲ Despite his years of anti-gang advocacy while in prison, on December 13, former Crips gang leader Stanley "Tookie" Williams is executed by lethal injection for four 1979 murders.

▲ Methamphetamine use becomes a national crisis as meth-related crimes skyrocket on the West Coast and in the Midwest. Pharmacies remove pseudophedrine products from shelves in an effort to control meth production.



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▲ On January 2, 2006, an explosion at the Sago Mine in Tallmansville, West Virginia, traps 13 miners 260 feet below the surface. Sadly, only one of the miners is pulled out alive.

▶ In October, former Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein goes on trial in Baghdad, pleading innocent to the murder and torture charges against him.



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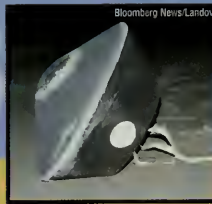
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◀ Hoping to restart the peace process with the Palestinians, Israel evacuates the Gaza Strip, an area it has occupied since the 1967 Six-Day War.

▶ Civil unrest rocks France as more than 300 towns and suburbs explode with riots and arson. High unemployment, racial discrimination and rage are blamed for the outbreaks.

Science and Nature

▶ A global pandemic is feared as the avian flu claims 73 lives in Asia by the end of December and threatens to spread across the world.



Bloomberg News/Landov

▶ After seven years and 2.88 billion miles, NASA's Stardust capsule returns to earth carrying dust particles from the tail of the comet Wild 2. Scientists believe the samples hold clues to the formation of the Solar System.



▶ The American Dental Association cites bottled water and its lack of fluoride as a major contributing factor in the rise of tooth decay in children.



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▶ According to recent research, chocolate can be a healthy treat thanks to its high content of flavonoids, which help maintain good circulation and reduce blood clotting.



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▶ A vaccine that may potentially fight recurring cancer cells is successfully tested on 14 breast cancer survivors. It is hailed as the first step toward preventing the disease.



USA Today/World Wide Photos

▶ The Sichuan Wolong Panda Protection and Breed Center in China deals with a baby boom — 16 pandas, including five sets of twins, are born between July and November 2005.



NASA TV/World Wide Photos

▶ In August, U.S. astronaut Stephen Robinson successfully completes an unprecedented emergency repair of the space shuttle Discovery while in orbit.



▲ Hikers scaling Mount Mendel Glacier in California discover the remains of Leo Mustonen, a World War II airman whose plane crashed in 1942.



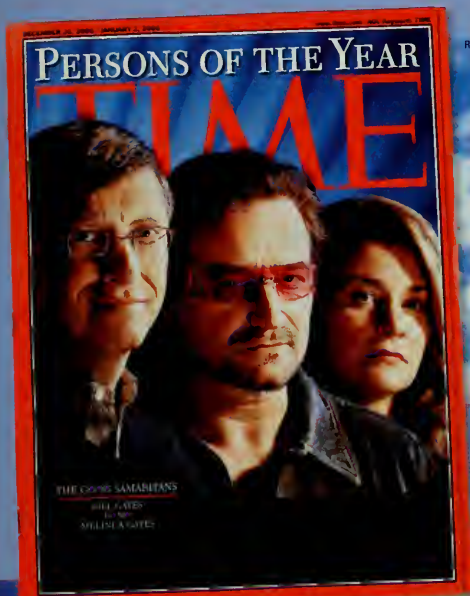
▲ U.S. scientist Gregory Olsen pays \$20 million for a trip to the International Space Station aboard the Russian Soyuz spacecraft.



▲ The ruins of what may be the oldest Christian church, built in the third or fourth century A.D., are discovered on the grounds of Megiddo Prison in northern Israel in November.

05500 Human Interest

▶ Anticipating the G8 summit in July, Bob Geldof organizes musicians for a series of concerts around the world to highlight the problem of global poverty.





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◀ Bill Gates, Bono and Melinda Gates are named TIME's Persons of the Year for their efforts to battle poverty, AIDS and malaria in Africa.

Holloway Family Photo/AP/Wide World Photos

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◀ Natalee Holloway, an 18-year-old from Birmingham, Alabama, becomes the lead story for every major news outlet after her disappearance while vacationing in Aruba.



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◀ In August, American anti-Iraq War activist Cindy Sheehan, whose son Casey was killed in action in 2003, holds an extended demonstration at a peace camp outside President George W. Bush's Texas ranch.

Fashion

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◀ Everywhere you look this year sparkle is in with teen girls.



▲ From preppy to vintage looks, vests make a bold statement in the fall of 2005.



▲ Cowboy boots see a rise in popularity, and not just for line dancers and country music fans.



▲ The "hoodie" is a staple in most teens' wardrobes.

▶ Blazers with a retro fit make a big splash on the fashion scene.



▲ Style gets a dose of fun over formal with these unique fashion alternatives.

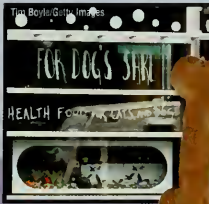
▼ Flip-flops are considered a fashion necessity, not just casual footwear.



Lifestyle



Chris Gardner/AP/Wide World Photos



▶ Pets receive the royal treatment with gourmet pet foods, available in upscale pet food shops, pet food bakeries and even ice cream parlors.



▶ Due to high gas prices, consumers opt for smaller cars with better gas mileage rather than gas-guzzling SUVs.

▶ The popularity of poker on television results in one of the biggest fads of the year — home Texas Hold 'Em tournaments.



▶ Podcasts, free broadcast-format audio files published to the Internet and downloaded to iPods by subscription, are a hip way to keep up-to-date.



▶ The new food pyramid recommends that kids eat more fruits, vegetables and whole grains than in the past, and exercise 30 to 60 minutes each day.

▶ Blogs become the biggest Web craze since the inception of the Internet thanks to sites like Blogger.com and MySpace.com each day.

05-06 Movies



▲ Golden Globe Best Actress nominee Keira Knightley shines in the hit movie *Pride and Prejudice*, based on the 1813 Jane Austen novel.



▲ Moviegoers rush to see *March of the Penguins*, a surprise hit documentary that follows a year in the life of a flock of Emperor penguins.



▲ "The boy who lived" returns for more adventure in the fourth movie installment of the Harry Potter series, *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire*.



▲ Box-office profits are down in 2005, due in part to the trend of movie fans opting for the quick release of hit movies on DVD.

▶ The beloved C.S. Lewis series comes to life on the big screen in Walt Disney's *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*.



▲ The life of the late Johnny Cash is the basis of the Golden Globe-winning *Walk the Line*, starring Best Actor winner Joaquin Phoenix as Cash.



Best Picture Academy Award Nominations

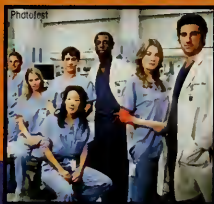
- *Brokeback Mountain*
- *Capote*
- *Crash*
- *Good Night, and Good Luck*
- *Munich*



▲ Geena Davis receives popular approval as television's first female President of the United States in one of the year's best new shows, ABC's "Commander in Chief."



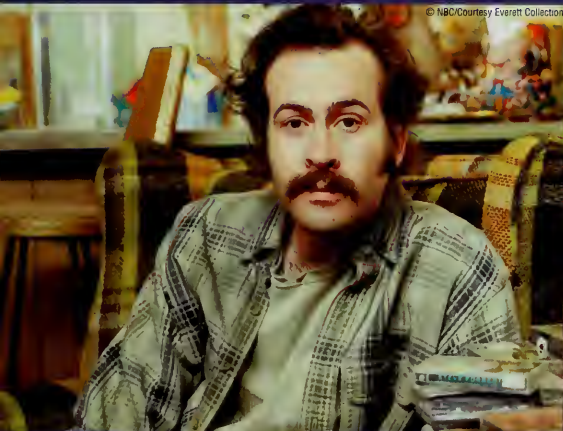
▲ Based on the childhood of comedian Chris Rock, UPN's "Everybody Hates Chris" is a hit.



▲ Doctor "McDresmy," also known as Dr. Shepherd, and the rest of the staff at Seattle Grace Hospital achieve healthy ratings in ABC's "Grey's Anatomy."

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▶ Viewers can't get enough of ABC's "Lost." The show earns a Golden Globe for Best TV Series Drama and spawns countless fan speculation sites.



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▲ NBC finds a new hit comedy with the quirky story of a man in search of redemption, "My Name is Earl."



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▶ Surprisingly high DVD sales influence FOX to bring back the formerly canceled cult favorite "Family Guy."

▲ America's No. 1 rated show for 2005 is the CBS crime drama "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation."

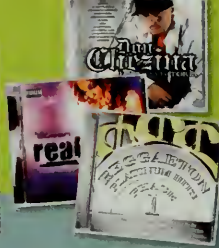
2006 People's Choice Nominations for Favorite Reality Show Competitor

- "American Idol" (FOX)
- "Real Factor" (NBC)
- "Survivor" (CBS)

Music



▲ With *Late Registration*, Kanye West maintains his status as hip-hop's top dog, landing on top of *Rolling Stone's* Top 50 Albums of 2005.



▲ Reggaeton, which blends influences of hip-hop, Jamaican reggae and dancehall with Latin American bomba and plena, reaches its height in popularity in 2005.



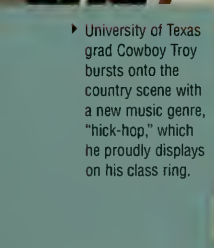
▲ Seattle indie favorites Death Cab for Cutie break into the mainstream with the album *Plans* and "Directions," a series of 12 short films.



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▲ Eight years after the death of former lead singer Michael Hutchence, Australian rock band INXS selects new frontman J.D. Fortune on the CBS show "Rock Star: INXS."



USA Network/Mattie Clamer

▶ University of Texas grad Cowboy Troy bursts onto the country scene with a new music genre, "hick-hop," which he proudly displays on his class ring.



▶ Strong releases by Kelly Clarkson, Shakira, Mariah Carey and Gwen Stefani rule the music scene. Carey's *The Emancipation of Mimi* earns eight Grammy nominations and is the top-selling album of 2005.



2006 Best New Artist Grammy Nominations

- Ciara
- Fall Out Boy
- Ke\$ha
- John Legend
- Sugarland



▶ Nintendo DS owners can now be virtual dog owners as well, thanks to the wildly popular *Nintendogs* series.

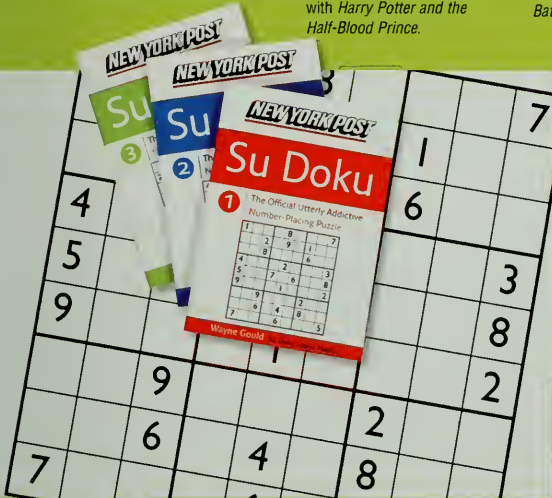


▶ J.K. Rowling releases yet another bona fide best-seller with *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince*.



▶ The Star Wars franchise remains a juggernaut in the videogame industry with the winter release of *Star Wars: Battlefront II*.

▶ Gamers wait in line for hours to get their hands on the year's hottest holiday video game console, Microsoft's Xbox 360.



▶ The addictive numbers logic puzzle, Su Doku, captures the attention of crazed puzzlers across the nation.



▶ The classic game of 20 Questions gets a makeover for 2005 with the artificial intelligence powered 20Q, one of this year's hottest toys.

▶ Music videos and TV shows are accessible on the go with the newest must-have item from Apple, the iPod with video.

Sports

▼ In June, the San Antonio Spurs win the 2005 NBA Championship over the Detroit Pistons in a thrilling seven-game Finals series. Spurs forward Tim Duncan wins MVP honors.



▲ In February 2006, figure skater Sasha Cohen leads the U.S. Olympic Team into the XX Olympic Winter Games in Torino, Italy.



▲ Danica Patrick, 23-year-old race driver, wins Rookie of the Year honors in both the Indy Racing League's IndyCar Series and at the Indianapolis 500, where she finishes fourth.



▲ Citing conduct unbecoming to the team, the Philadelphia Eagles suspend wide receiver Terrell Owens for four games and deactivate him for the remainder of the NFL season.



▲ The Pittsburgh Steelers hold off the Seattle Seahawks for a 21-10 victory in Super Bowl XL. Future Hall of Famer Jerome "The Bus" Bettis retires after the game.



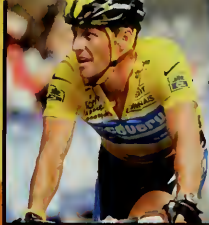
▲ NHL hockey returns in fall 2005 after losing the entire '04-'05 season to a labor dispute. Fans flock to see players in new uniforms and exciting innovations like tie-breaking shootouts.

▶ Hawaiian golfer phenom Michelle Wie turns professional on her 16th birthday and signs endorsements worth \$10 million, making her one of the highest paid female athletes in the world.





▶ In November, WWE superstar Eddie Guerrero dies of heart failure. In 2004, Guerrero was only the second wrestler of Hispanic heritage to win the WWE championship.



▶ American Lance Armstrong wins his unprecedented seventh Tour de France in July. Armstrong then retires from competitive cycling.



▶ BMX superstar Dave Mirra wins the gold medal in the BMX Park Finals of X Games XI.

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▼ Longhorns quarterback Vince Young leads Texas to a national championship with a dramatic 41-38 comeback victory over USC in the 2006 Rose Bowl.



Amy S. Catta/AP/Wide World Photos

▶ After an 88-year wait, the Chicago White Sox win the 2005 World Series, sweeping the Houston Astros in four games. White Sox right fielder Jermaine Dye is named Series MVP.



Mike Blake/Reuters/Landov



Michael Bush/UPI/Landov



John Sommers/Reuters-Corbis

◀ Two-time champion Tony Stewart wins NASCAR's Nextel Cup Series and a record \$13.6 million in winnings in 2005. Stewart's career Cup earnings now total over \$48 million.

▶ Swiss tennis superstar Roger Federer wins two Grand Slam titles, at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open, along with all four ATP Masters Series events.

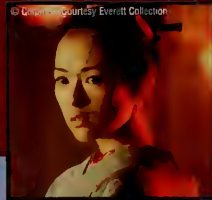
05-06 Faces



▲ Beloved "Gilligan's Island" funnyman Bob Denver dies of cancer at 70. Although only 98 episodes of the popular sitcom were made, Denver was typecast as the nutty Gilligan his entire career.



▲ Kristin Cavallari, featured on the MTV reality show "Laguna Beach," becomes one of Hollywood's hottest young personalities.



▲ Chinese actress Ziyi Zhang shines in the lead role of Sayuri in the film adaptation of the acclaimed Arthur Golden novel *Memoirs of a Geisha*.

▼ Civil rights pioneer Rosa Parks dies at 92 in Detroit. Parks' refusal in 1955 to give up her seat on an Alabama bus eventually led to laws desegregating public transportation nationally.

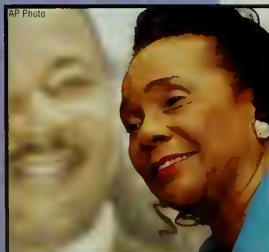


▲ Actor Tom Cruise, 43, makes headlines all year with his controversial views on psychiatry, his new love, actress Katie Holmes, and his couch gymnastics on CBS's "The Oprah Winfrey Show" and NBC's "Tonight Show with Jay Leno."

► Actor-comedian Richard Pryor dies at 65 in December. Pryor's concerts and movies in the '70s and '80s inspired performers like Eddie Murphy, Arsenio Hall and Robin Williams.



▲ Peter Jennings, anchor of ABC's "World News Tonight," dies of lung cancer in August. The popular TV journalist held the anchor position for 22 years.



▲ Coretta Scott King, legendary civil rights advocate and widow of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., dies in January 2006. She was 78.



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