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Neither snow, nor snow, nor snow, stays this paper from completion.

Hasta la vista, Balog
Aquinas College president announces retirement

By Benjamin Stoltman
Managing Editor
Aquinas College and Grand Rapids Police Department have announced news last Wednesday. Our beloved President C. Edward Balog, Ph.D. announced his intention to retire on July 1, 2011 to the Board of Trustees. His biggest regret? “Coming into the job as late as I did, I wish I had more time.”

Dr. Balog has been a part of the Aquinas community since 2001. He was elected as president in a unanimous vote under former president Harry Knopp. He held this position until 2006, when he began serving as interim president for the college as the board conducted their search. He was installed as president of Aquinas College in October of 2006. As of late, he has also continued to teach history classes.

Balog has a long road ahead on the job we were looking at 3.5 million dollar deficit, it took a few years to work through that,” said Dr. Balog. “Now we are in our 5th consecutive year, but we have figured out better how to maintain a quality education given the financial circumstances of the college is.”

The official press release from the college mentioned nothing as to the reasons behind his departure. However he did say he had been thinking about this for a while, ”My wife and I and spent time down in the Outer Banks of North Carolina during the summer. It seemed this past year was the right time for me to make the change.”

He called it a “combination of circumstances. The move was not made without a lot of consideration, and I feel very confident in the move.”

Dr. Balog expressed his gratitude to the student for some time to make the change.”

“I really enjoy looking at and solving complex problems, and working with some talented people, it is intellectually satisfying,” Dr. Balog said about his favorite part of the job.

Dr. Balog left to work for the college as the board oversaw and orchestrated the creation of five LEED-certified buildings associated with the college and promoted the establishment of a Center for Sustainability.

As of late Aquinas has not yet placed an ad in the Chronicle of Higher Education, an easy step in the search for a new Executive.

Secretary of State Hillary Clinton visited Haiti this past Saturday to address recent political turmoil on the troubled island state. Violent protests are the latest in a series of protests striking a fragile democracy, a shared concern of the Organization of American States and government leaders.

The return of Haiti’s former dictator, Jean-Claude “Baby Doc” Duvalier, has added to the tensions in the already strained country.

Duvalier landed in Haiti on January 16 after 25 years in exile, in France, that he called “hody.”

Duvalier was quick to take him to task and offered his own support. “If he is quitting the election or he is to run a re-match,” Duvalier said.

The Skinny on Local Music
Looking for Local Music?

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Celestin’s party has withdrawn support for the former president.

Duvalier has still not yet publicly stated if he is quitting the election or not.

The Washington-based Center for Economic and Policy Research opposes the allegations. After analyzing the first-round results, the center concluded that Celestin had indeed placed second.

Duvalier has not yet attempted to re-engage in Haitian politics. However, Dr. Roger Durham, political science professor at Aquinas College who has been teaching international politics since 1989, feels that Baby Doc's arrival during the stalled election could be significant.

“The fact that the runoff remains unresolved and the choice of president remains unresolved is a fact, I think, why Baby Doc has returned,” Durham stated.

Dr. Molly Patterson, also a political science professor at Aquinas, feels that Haiti's viability as an independent country might seem beyond foreign policy and politics. “Haiti is the product of many difficult, conflict-ridden circumstances. But some of the circumstances have been created by or exacerbated by the US, and some of those circumstances, potentially, could be improved by the US.”

“I’m less worried about whether instability in that region might spread than in what it must feel like to be as desperate as desperate in many Haitians are and, to wonder if anyone in the world knows or cares,” Patterson said.

By Dan Melby
The Saint
A recent theft at Yesterdog has caused some controversy on the Aquinas College campus concerning false accusations of Aquinas students and unsearched searching of student dorm rooms.

On Jan. 15, a man in a black coat was caught on camera stealing one of Yesterdog's classic chairs. Yesterdog contacted the Grand Rapids Police Department (GRPD), who went out of the pictures to the suspicion as to all the college’s dorm rooms. Authorities.

An Aquinas student was identified as the man in the pictures and GRPD and Campus Safety went to the student to search his on-campus confidentiality, the student will remain anonymous.

When campus safety and GRPD came to the suspected student dorm room, the student and another Aquinas student were in the room. They then proceeded to the lobby of Regina Hall to alert the suspected student that Campus Safety and GRPD were at their door. The suspected student was upset to see what was happening. GRPD and Campus Security then took the student to a private office in Regina Hall.

GRPD and Campus Safety person to the suspected student that was caught on camera. GRPD and Campus Security later searched the student's room and bathroom but did not locate the chair. Later that night, the suspected student received a call from GRPD saying that he was not the suspect caught on camera, and they apologized to the student for taking up his time.

Two days later Campus Safety contacted the Regina first floor RA, senior Adam Kubiak, and went to the room where the student had been. They then proceeded to the room, searched the room, including the student's refrigerator, which is not large enough to hide a chair, under the suspicion that the student served as an accomplice in helping the chair stay from Yesterdog. The chair was still not found.

No other items considered illegal for a student to possess were discovered, either.

The Saint attempted to reach Campus Safety and Yesterdog for comment, but no one has responded. As of yet no one has seen the stolen Yesterdog chair. It remains open.

There is no evidence of the chair ever been on the Aquinas campus.
Aquinas: NSSA survey out to test planning ability

The National Study of Student Engagement is an activity that encourages students from across the nation to reflect on the college they attend. The NSSA survey is one of the largest surveys of students conducted by a college in the United States. The survey was sent out to all students at Aquinas College to test their planning ability.

Aquinas theater: seniors perform "Matt at the -" for senior project

AQ seniors Lime Stremskis and Lizzr D giống performing "Matt at the-" for their senior project beginning Thursday February 10th at 7 pm in Whil Hall Sunday at 7 pm. It is directed by senior Madison McGinn and will be live in full.

State: Dearborn protesters call out US involvement in Egypt

On January 29th, nearly 200 protesters from throughout Michigan gathered outside City Hall in Dearborn to support the ongoing political protests in Egypt and the rest of North Africa. The integrity of protesters across US called out US involvement in Egypt.

World: "Bloody Sunday" marches continue

It has been thirty years since the brutal British Army attacks during a civil rights protest on January 30, 1972 that led to the deaths. The official notice of the US announced that they currently have been beginning to respond for the sake of their national interest.

One for the archives

Monica Rischiotto

News Editor

Let’s be honest: when it comes to things you can do at Aquinas College, or any college for that matter, some things are just much, much easier.

They are here to take classes, complete their degree, and move on with the rest of their lives.

But there are some things, however, that are much easier to do under President Bob’s name, even outside of your dorm, and we should take advantage of the benefits.

The first is an after-hour tour of the library and the archives. For instance, the archives can be open to the public from 11 am to 5 pm on weekdays.

Not to mention, on any given day you may see him, whether it be down a hallway or in a hallway, or even outside of your building.

The second is to plan your visit outside the library. It is a great way to learn about the history of Aquinas College and the surrounding schools.

With all that said, it was truly not only satisfying to hear President Bob’s viewpoint, but also a great experience to learn more about the history of Aquinas College.

Polish philosophy professor speaks on need to incorporate Christian values in everyday life

In his 4 years as president, Dr. Balog, had stabilized the opening of the two LTED Certified Great Upper Abbeys. The Sturms Sports & Fitness Center. Those of whom are interested in learning more about President Bob’s viewpoint, are encouraged to take advantage of the benefits.

By fely Fos Baur

Echevarria, professor of Philosophy professor, and taught at General Secretary of the Catholic Church, is a consultant to the program. Echevarria, along with his students, was invited by the Catholic Church to speak on the topic of the program "Christian Values and the New ".

Philosophy professor speaks on need to incorporate Christian values in everyday life

"I would argue, however, that the research literature on girls socio-economic challenges. One of the current lack of Christian values being incorporated in these values, it is important to understand the identity, established by the Catholic Church, and the values of the Catholic Church, in order to determine the differences that are in the current values, which are important to understand for both the culture and the society.

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Extreme basement makeover:
AQ student Joanne VanderHyde leads
renovation of the basement in Albertus

By Stephanie Gluck
The Saint Reporter

Albertus Magnus’s basement building on the...
American Idol fails to pick winners

BY Nichole Robertson

The Seattle Times

Most American watched Wednesday night as Simon, Randy, and Paula voted through America’s state lists for the Idol winner. Many were shocked at how many people thought Idol was a serious TV show, not something to be taken lightly. As one snidely remarked, “It seems as though Idol has become a joke, and it’s time to bring back some respect for the serious shows of the past.”

One must assume that the show producers were aiming for this type of reaction. They have done it before, and it is one of the reasons that they have been able to keep the show going for so long. However, this year, it seems that they have overshot the mark.

The show has been criticized in the past for being too serious and too focused on the contestants. This year, however, it seems that they have taken it too far. The contestants are not allowed to vote on each other, and the judges are not allowed to vote. This has led to a lot of criticism from the viewers.

One of the biggest questions that people have been asking is why American Idol fails to pick winners. There are a number of reasons for this, and they are all related to the show’s format.

First of all, the judges are not allowed to vote on each other. This means that they are not able to give the contestants feedback on their performances. This is a problem because it means that the contestants are not able to learn from their mistakes.

Secondly, the contestants are not allowed to vote on each other. This means that they are not able to tell the judges what they like and what they don’t like. This is a problem because it means that the judges are not able to get a sense of what the audience is thinking.

Finally, the show is not very consistent. The judges’ votes are not always the same, and this makes it difficult for the contestants to know what they are doing. This is a problem because it means that the contestants are not able to get a consistent sense of their performance.

It is clear that American Idol fails to pick winners because of its format. The show needs to change in order to make it more effective.

Keeping the Faith

BY Benjamin Holtzman

Managing Editor

There is a long-standing question that sounds college admission: “What does one mean when they ask, ‘What is your major in college?’”

We always have the same answer: “I am majoring in religious studies.”

This question seems to come from the idea that there is a division between faith and science. However, this is not the case. Faith and science are not mutually exclusive. They can coexist.

For example, Pope John Paul II enacted Ex Corde Ecclesiae, which means “from the heart of the Church.” The document states that faith and science are not opposed, but rather complementary.

This is important because it helps us understand the role of religious studies in college. It is not just about learning about religion, but also about engaging with science.

In the end, we should not be afraid of faith and science. They can coexist and even complement each other. It is important that we continue to study religious studies in college.

The Saint

The Saint has worked diligently for the past 39 years to produce an informative, entertaining and professionally-correct student publication. The Saint is distributed weekly during the school year. It is distributed to all the students in the Aquinas community. The Saint is responsible for covering all events on the campus, from the ideas, views and concerns of the Aquinas community.

Letters to the Editor

All letters must be signed and include a phone number for the sole purpose of verification. All letters are subject to review and may be edited. Letters longer than 200 words should be reduced to that length. We will not publish anonymous letters or letters that will not allow the editor to contact the writer. Letters will not be returned.

MORE FROM THE CROWD...
**MEETING PATRONUM:**

*By Lindsay Bailey*

**The Harry Potter Alliance**

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They’ve raised more than $2 million through 196 campaigns. Hear him speak in our “Expecto Patronum” interview in *The Saint Reporter*.

**EXPERTS ON THE STORY:**

*By Andy Bailey*

**Co-founder of the Harry Potter Alliance**

These 90’s rappers have been making headlines again: rapper B.I.G., a.k.a. Biggie Smalls, has been re-opened under investigation re-opened. B.I.G., a.k.a. Biggie Smalls, has been re-opened under investigation re-opened. B.I.G., a.k.a. Biggie Smalls, has been re-opened under investigation re-opened under investigation. B.I.G., a.k.a. Biggie Smalls, has been re-opened under investigation re-opened.
Anberlin take on the meaning of beingSaints
Performance captures a sense of an
crowd in awe

By Abby Wells

The Anberlin show, January 21, 2011, was the last of its kind at the DeVos-
Place in Grand Rapids. The crowd, music fans and others, were
convinced that they were experiencing something very special that
to them singing back every word and
left no one wanting anything
different. The crowd roared its applaus
as the final note of their show was
raised high to graze even the slightest of
spots on, that's not luck or charm. That's
true for the band as well. Anberlin is
created as having a "fuzzy, low-fidelity"
live sound that is unique vocally. I've
never heard a band make a CD that
sounds even better live. Not only does
Anberlin play music to suit all tastes but
when it is performed it is without
preventing the listener from the actual
artistry. When asked about her interest
in music and drama, her response was
"since before I could remember" she has
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Bubba's moment: Watson wins at Torrey Pines

This past Sunday, the Saudi International took place in South Africa, where Phil Mickelson finished the weekend tied at -16, just two strokes ahead of Paul Casey.

**Staying home: US soccer team cancels match against Egypt**

The USWNT's match against Egypt was set to be played on Jan 29, 2023, but due to a political crisis in Egypt, the match was canceled and rescheduled for May 2023.

**What to watch: College football**

This weekend's games include:
- #13 Penn State vs. #6 Notre Dame
- #22 Wisconsin vs. #4 Michigan State
- #11 Alabama vs. #20 Texas A&M
- #4 Georgia vs. #5 Cincinnati

**What to watch: Montreal Canadiens at Arizona Coyotes**

The Montreal Canadiens are in action against the Arizona Coyotes. The Coyotes are looking to extend their winning streak to three games, while the Canadiens are hoping to snap their four-game losing streak.

**Augusta National Golf Club at the Masters**

The Masters is one of the most prestigious golf tournaments in the world. It takes place at Augusta National Golf Club in Georgia and features some of the best golfers from around the world.
The Saint Reporter

SPORTS

Red Hot Wings
Detroit Red Wings in good shape at All-Star break, lead Central Division

By George Van Der Dussen
The Saint Reporter

The Red Wings have completed half of their season and currently sit first in the NHL. Their new-look team, designed by Coach Mike Babcock, is contending for the playoffs in its first season, and with that comes the pressure to perform. The Wings have placed Chris Osgood on injured reserve. Osgood's injury opens the door for Jimmy Howard, a young goalie with a lot of potential. Howard is playing well and has been the starter for the majority of games. The team's defense has also improved, allowing fewer goals and giving the wings a chance to win consistently. The team's depth is key to their success, with players like Henrik Zetterberg and Pavel Datsyuk providing offense and defense. The Red Wings look like a team on the rise and should be a formidable opponent in the playoffs.

Women's basketball team looking to find 'what works'

By Dan Meloy
The Saint Reporter

Madonna came into town last week for the Saints, where she scored 9 points and grabbed 6 rebounds. The team won the game easily with a final score of 69-49. Madonna is a key player for the Saints and will be looking to continue their winning streak against St. Mary's this weekend.

抢劫 - the nation's leading scorer, Jeremy Pilkenton, has been lights out for the last several games. He has scored 40 points in his last two games and is averaging 32 points per game. His ability to shoot from anywhere on the court is key to the team's success. The Saints will need to focus on defense and try to limit Pilkenton's scoring opportunities.

Buckeyes - Ohio State is one of the schools in the top ten national rankings. They have a balanced team with a strong defense and a fast-paced offense. The team is led by Jared Sullinger (18ppg, 9.9 rpg), the Buckeye's leading scorer and rebounder. The Buckeyes have a strong bench that can provide depth and contribute to the team's success. The Saints will need to focus on their defense and try to limit the Buckeyes' scoring opportunities. The game will be a tough test for the Saints, but they have a chance to pull off an upset if they play their best.

SCORECARD

Score:
Saints 69
Aquinas 49

First half:
Saints 39
Aquinas 21

Second half:
Saints 30
Aquinas 28

Score card analysis:
- The Saints had a strong first half, leading Aquinas 39-21. They were able to control the game and prevent Aquinas from getting into a rhythm.
- In the second half, Aquinas was able to come within 10 points, but the Saints were able to maintain their lead and solidify their win.

Stats:
- Game Highs:
  - Saints: Michael McGuire (17 points, 8 rebounds)
  - Aquinas: Rodney Pilkenton (25 points)
- Key players:
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The Saints are looking to carry their momentum into the second half of the season and continue their winning streak. They need to continue their strong defensive play and improve their shooting to secure another victory.

Baseball's 'Iron Man' speaks at Calvin College

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HOT

Who's hot and who's not in the world of college basketball

By Paul McKeeby
The Saint Reporter

The Saints are clicking more as a unit and we are maturing as a team," said Vandyke. The team is playing well and has a good chance to make the NCAA tournament. The game was well-played by both teams and the final result was a 69-49 rout for Aquinas.

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Some of Aquinas' best and brightest were found to share who they would want to meet with Super Bowl XLV and why. Here is what they had to say.

Senior - Matt Mische
"I would love to meet a member of Steeler Nation so it's my duty to root for the Black and Gold... and I despise fans who like to goad other people on about their fan club and their team's history during football games."