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## Bonaventure Hall construction moving forward; Phase One completion targeted for Nov. 15

The revamped Bonaventure Hall expansion project is moving forward, with the construction firm of J.P. Cullen & Sons expected to finish work on Phase One by Nov. 15.

“We’re pretty much on target,” said Vice President for Facilities Jack Glynn. “The first dig took place on January 21 of this year. We had a few minor delays; the rain over the summer put us back a bit, but we’re still expecting the work to be completely finished by August of 2005.”

On Nov. 15, the Phase One portion of the building will be turned over to Stritch. Then, furniture will be delivered, phones and computers installed, etc. After that, people will be moved into the new space.

“We probably will be able to do business in there by mid to late December,” Glynn said.

Under the plan, the offices of Enrollment Management, Undergraduate and Graduate Admissions, Financial Aid,



**The second floor promenade will feature lots of natural light, comfortable seating areas, a decorative railing, and exposure to the first floor corridor.**

Credit for Prior Learning, Academic Advising and all of the College of Business will move into their new digs and stay put. The new Sister Camille Kliebhan Conference Center also will be open and ready for use. The Business Office, Registration, Human Resources, Payroll and Academic Computing will move into the new space temporarily, but will move into new offices when they are finished in Phase Two of the construction project. Most people who move into the new Bonaventure extension will

have individual offices with doors, Glynn said.

Phase One includes seven classrooms, one computer lab and a computer training room, all of which will be ready for use by late December. Some of the classrooms will temporarily house office space and computer labs.

The construction and the additional parking spots created on campus required Stritch to create two holding ponds for water runoff. One is at the far southwest corner of campus. The second pond is east of the Bonaventure Hall expansion. Both ponds will eventually be outfitted with a fountain-water feature.



**Workers begin drywalling in the second floor College of Business area.**

## COB decentralizing student services; first on-site office opens in Brookfield

As part of the College of Business' restructuring and in an effort to focus on the Franciscan value of hospitality, student services are being decentralized.

COB is in the process of setting up student services offices in each of its eight leased off-campus sites. The first, in Brookfield, opened Sept. 15. The 450 students there now have two student services counselors, Sandra Schuster, who works from 1 to 10 p.m. and Art Sosa, who works 9 to 6 p.m. Sosa, who also serves as the site manager, said the hours were meant to provide convenient, on-site help to students during traditional business hours as well as in the evenings, when classes are held.

He and Schuster help COB students with academic advising and do "whatever we can to make them successful in their academic career," said Interim Dean Kathleen Radionoff. "It's part of our goal to give more attention to students and to offer them better student services. It removes some level of stress for students."

Sosa said he and Schuster review graduation requirements and help sort out any conflicts students may have with scheduling when their life situations get in the way. "We work to tailor their academic programs to their lives and make sure they're compatible," he said. In addition, Sosa and Schuster coordinate with other Stritch staff to resolve problems with things not directly available at the Brookfield site, such as financial aid, getting their books, etc. "We're student-focused and we're trying to offer one-stop-shopping as much as possible," Sosa said.

He noted that the new setup not only helps students who attend classes in Brookfield but also unburdens the counselor load on the main campus in Milwaukee. "We stop calls to Milwaukee that tie up staff there and sometimes end up on the dean's desk."

Radionoff said a second student services office is targeted to open in COB's Kenosha site in December. The Brookfield office will be the prototype.

"I'm very excited about this," she said. "Our numbers are up 4% after two years of decline, and we're really reaching out to help students."



## Blessing of the Animals to be held Oct. 2

In celebration of the Feast of St. Francis, Stritch will hold its colorful, third-annual Blessing of the Animals on Saturday, Oct. 2, at 11 a.m., just north of the soccer field.

Members of the campus community, particularly children, are invited to bring companion animals of all shapes and sizes to be blessed by Father James Lobacz, campus minister and head of the Franciscan Mission Office.

To avoid any intra-species discord, please leash your dogs and bring other small animals in a cage or pet carrier.

"We have been blessed with beautiful weather the past two years, and we should all offer a prayer that it holds up again this year," Father Jim said. "This is a really wonderful event, where members of the campus community as well as the community at large can get together with their beloved animals and receive God's blessing. I hope to see many Stritch colleagues there."



Father Jim blesses Sr. Canise's dog, Bradley, while Linda Steiner waits with her dog, Maxie.

# New Stritch Staff



**Marcie Bomhack**  
Men's & Women's  
Volleyball Coach



**Jeremy Eudaly**  
Office Coordinator  
Public Relations



**Lakeisha Hooks**  
Secretary  
Enrollment Management



**John Kaufman**  
Learning Specialist  
Academic Support Center



**Kathleen Lawson**  
Administrative Assistant  
Computer Services



**Scott Rudie** has taken  
the position of Assistant  
Director of Public Relations.



**Sandra Schuster**  
Academic Counselor  
COB Region I



**Art Sosa**  
Academic Counselor  
COB Region I



**Brett Kell** has taken the position of Public Relations  
Representative. His new duties include designing and  
writing copy for The Troubadour. Feel free to  
contact Brett with suggestions.

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