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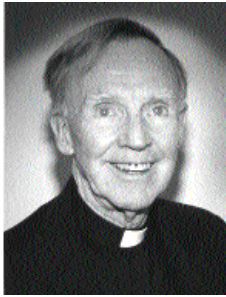
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## Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities Honors Terrence Toland, S.J.

The Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities (ACCU) has named Terrence Toland, S.J., Director of the Center for Mission Reflection at the University, the recipient of the Reverend Theodore M. Hesburgh, CSC, Award for distinguished service to Catholic Higher Education. The award was presented at the ACCU annual banquet held 27 January at the Hyatt Regency, Washington, D.C.



Terrence Toland, S.J.

The award recognizes Fr. Toland's service to Catholic higher education and particularly his work in negotiating a practicable American application of the Norms for Catholic colleges and universities.

"This award is fitting recognition for the outstanding work that Fr. Toland has done throughout his career as a Jesuit educator, administrator and as an expert on issues affecting Catholic education nationwide," said University President Joseph M. McShane, S.J. "We at the University rejoice at the recognition that Fr. Toland has received and hope that God will give him many more years of service to the University."

In its citation, the ACCU noted that "Fr. Toland is a quiet man who does not draw attention to himself, but has spent a lifetime working constructively and creatively for the well-being and effectiveness of Catholic higher education in this country." The citation goes on to acknowledge Fr. Toland for his "magnum opus" of crafting many-faceted reconciliations and a new solidarity for Catholic higher education at the national level.

In a congratulatory letter to Fr. Toland, James Cardinal Hickey, Archbishop Emeritus of Washington, said, "In the long years of collaboration on the U.S. Application document for the implementation in this country of the Apostolic Constitution *Ex corde Ecclesiae*, it was the patient, untiring and reconciling work of Father Toland as staff to the committee that created the context of understanding in which we were able to bring the process to a conclusion."

From 1994 to 1999, Fr. Toland served as Project Director for the *Ex corde Ecclesiae* Implementation Committee of the national Catholic Bishops' conference. During his tenure, a document was charted for the application of the Apostolic Constitution to the Catholic universities and colleges of the United States. The document, which received overwhelming approval from the National Conference of Catholic Bishops in 1996, stressed the importance of continuing dialogue among bishops and college/university personnel.

As Director of the Center for Mission Reflection at The University of Scranton, Fr.

Toland spearheads an office that supports and builds the Catholic and Jesuit mission of the University. The Center also addresses the University's educational mission and its implications for institutional and campus life.

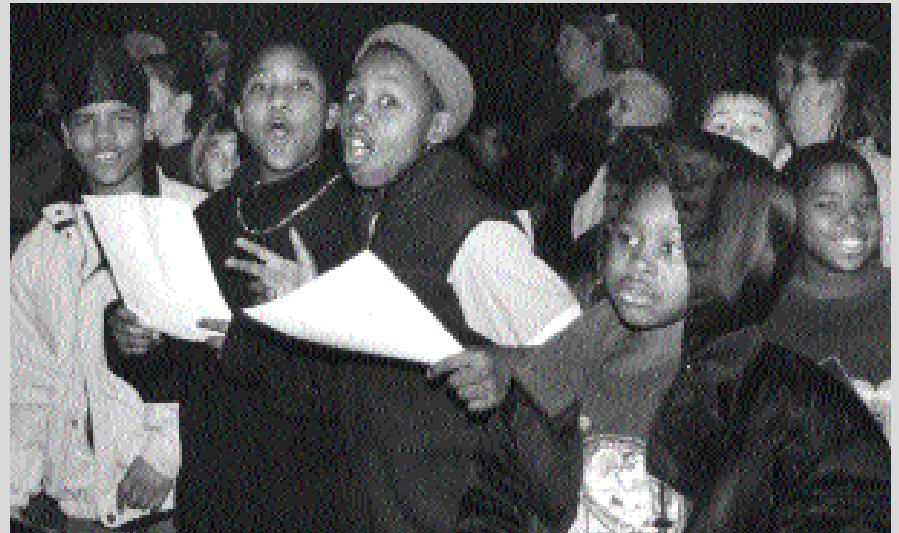
Fr. Toland received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Loyola University, Chicago. He earned his licentiate in philosophy from West Baden College, Indiana. He holds a doctorate in theology from Gregorian University, Rome. He entered the Society of Jesus in 1939 and was ordained to the priesthood in 1952.

He served as a Professor of Theology and Dean at Woodstock College, and went on to become Executive Vice President and then President of St. Joseph's College (now University), Philadelphia. He later became Rector at Loyola College in Baltimore, Assistant for Higher Education for the Maryland Province of the Society of Jesus, Director of Manresa Retreat House in Annapolis, Md., and interim Academic Vice President of Carroll College in Montana. He joined The University of Scranton in 2000.

*"This award is very special because it comes from people I admire so much."*

Terrence Toland, S.J.

## Black History Month Celebrations Slated



A group of children join in song at a Martin Luther King Day Celebration held in the Eagen Auditorium, Gunster Student Center, on 15 January.

In celebration of Black History month, the University will host "Trav-lin This Road," a theatrical group from Binghamton, N.Y., on 11 February. The group will present a rendition of the history of the African-American struggle at 3:00 p.m. in Eagen Auditorium of the Gunster Center. The event is free and open

to the public. On 17 February, the University's student group United Colors will host an "Underground Dance" on campus featuring a celebration of Black History Month and Latin American Week. Other events planned include video nights, a library display and informational programs. For information, call 941-7680.

## EPA Funds Water Quality Project

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has awarded the University \$445,342 for a project to coordinate and standardize efforts to track the quality of fresh water flowing into the Chesapeake Bay from 64,000 square miles in six states.

The focus of the project is on the quality of water going into the Chesapeake Bay from rivers and streams flowing through Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania from their origins in West Virginia, Delaware and New York. The Susquehanna River, which runs through Northeastern Pennsylvania, provides an estimated 50 percent of the water that flows into the bay.

"I am pleased that the EPA has chosen The University of Scranton to spearhead this important project for our environment," said U.S. Rep. Don Sherwood. "The project will help us coordinate the many federal, state and local projects in place to measure water quality, and help us better protect the Chesapeake Bay environment."

For the last two decades, various agencies have collected water data in response to growing concern over harmfully high levels of sediment and of nutrients such as nitrogen and phosphorous.

Concentrations of nutrients, for example, stimulate the growth of algae, which saps vital oxygen in the water as it decomposes. The result is areas of water that cannot sustain aquatic plants or animals.

"The Chesapeake Bay is under a lot of pressure," said Ned Fetcher, Ph.D., Project Coordinator for the University. "Crabs, oysters and other species are declining, and a large part of the problem is the presence of too many nutrients and too much sediment to sustain a healthy ecosystem."

The University's project consists of two primary parts: where and how to measure water quality. Researchers will first analyze where various agencies have placed monitoring stations in the six-state area. Monitoring stations are locations where samples are collected to measure and record water quality.

Researchers will use computer software to create a multi-layered map that charts both the location of current water tracking stations and the type of land that immediately surrounds them, for example, forests, urban development or farms.

"As a result, we will be able to identify gaps in the existing network, provide some coordination and recommend locations for

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