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ST. THOMAS APPOINTS NEW TRUSTEE: DONALD J. RILEY JOINS COLLEGE BOARD

(SPARKILL, NY – August 6, 2007) -- Donald J. Riley, Vice President of Human Resources for IBM Global Technology Services, has been named to the St. Thomas Aquinas College Board of Trustees, announced Dr. Margaret M. Fitzpatrick, S.C., College President.

Mr. Riley joined IBM in 1970 as a personnel administrator in the Systems Development Division. Since then he has held various personnel management and executive positions with the Corporate, Science Research Associates, National Marketing and Real Estate & Construction Divisions. In 1993, Mr. Riley became vice-president, human resources and management services (HR&MS), for IBM Latin America.

In 1995, Mr. Riley was named vice president of management services, Integrated Systems Solutions Corporation (ISSC). He was responsible for ISSC's human resources policies, plans, programs, organization, internal communications, and HQ administration.

Mr. Riley was ultimately named vice president, human resources, IBM Global Services. He is responsible for providing human resource leadership for all of IBM Global Services worldwide. He currently has worldwide responsibility for IBM Global Technology Services covering 69,000 employees in 160 countries.

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“Don has served the College well as a President’s Council member and we look forward to his positive influence on our Board of Trustees,” Dr. Fitzpatrick said. “His background with IBM, involvement in the community, and extensive leadership experience will be a great asset to our students and institution.”

Mr. Riley graduated from the College of Steubenville (OH), with a B.S. degree in Business Administration and Finance. He serves on the Technology Board for the South Orangetown School District. He currently resides with his wife, Donna, and son Ben in Piermont (NY). Donna is a member of the President’s Council at St. Thomas Aquinas and the couple is actively involved with the United Way of Rockland County.

MORE ABOUT ST. THOMAS

The College’s 2,700 full and part time students major in one of 31 programs offered in five division areas: The Humanities; Business Administration; Social Sciences; Natural Sciences & Mathematics; and Teacher Education or are enrolled in one of our graduate programs. The College offers a full scholarship Honors Program which provides students with a Summer Study experience at Oxford University in England. In addition, there are several study abroad opportunities and strategic alliances designed to offer expanded opportunities for students. For example, students can major in mathematics at St. Thomas for three years and then enter an engineering program at either George Washington University or Manhattan College as part of a dual degree program.

St. Thomas has expanded its offerings to include: a Master of Science in Education with specializations in Literacy, Special Education, and Educational Leadership, a Post Masters Certificate program in Education, a Master of Science in Teaching, a Master of Business Administration program, a Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Science in Education, and an Associate of Arts and an Associate of Science degree, the latter two offered at the West Point Military Academy. In addition, St. Thomas is the host campus for a Master of Science in Social Work program offered by New York University.

The College currently includes 21 buildings, the most recent one an additional residence hall. Its most recent academic building project is Costello Hall, an Art, Sciences & Technology Building. This state-of-the-art facility includes new science labs, an art gallery and two multi-media theatres along with additional technology classrooms.