A Message from the Office of Business and Finance

Charles Gregory  
Executive Vice President  
Allan Gozum  
Vice President of Finance

Thank you to everyone for helping make this a great year. We are pleased to provide you with our financial results for fiscal 2011. The University was blessed with another year of record enrollment and a second consecutive year of favorable investment returns. We ended the year with exceptional liquidity. Given the absence of a large endowment and state operating support, the balance sheet’s liquidity provides a shield against the uncertain economic environment and sets aside necessary resources to help finance future strategic initiatives. As a follow up to last year’s message, construction of the more than 400-space parking garage was completed during the year, and the renovation of the Rice Center athletic facility was substantially completed at the time of this writing. A $13.3 million tax-exempt bond issue was used as the primary means to finance both projects.

As of May 31, 2011, total assets on our Statement of Financial Position increased to $139 million due primarily to our strong operating cash flow, positive investment performance, and parking garage and Rice Center asset additions. The increase in total liabilities was attributable to the tax-exempt bond issue. After subtracting total liabilities from our assets, we are left with total net assets of $82.9 million, 26 percent more than last year’s balance. On our Statement of Activities, gross tuition revenue rose above $94 million as our traditional and online programs continued to grow and we added more Springfield branch campus enrollment. After reducing total revenue and other support of $91.1 million by total expenses, net assets for all classifications changed $17.1 million.

The uncertainties that continue to persist in the economic environment are largely out of our control. However, the perseverance and hard work of the Benedictine faculty and staff collectively provides us with the optimism, confidence and ability to see the University through the coming months and years ahead. Thank you once again!
A Letter from University Advancement

John Morris
Associate Vice President for Advancement

Dear Alumni and Friends,

From the completion of the parking garage in January to the re-opening of the Rice Center in October, the many advancements made at Benedictine University these past 12 months are undeniable. Our enrollment continues to grow steadily, as does our faculty and staff workforce. We have seen an increase both in the dollars raised and the number of donors among our alumni, family and friends.

During the past several years, we have experienced a downturn in our economy that the field of philanthropy has never before witnessed. The need for additional student aid monies, capital improvement dollars and program enhancement funds continues to escalate. This past year, our donors responded to these challenges by contributing to Benedictine University in record fashion. Your gifts are vital to advancing our institution and our ability to respond to the many challenges we face.

This March, we will celebrate the University’s 125th anniversary. School spirit and pride have never been higher. As you walk around campus, you will see the “B” spirit mark throughout our buildings and grounds. You will see students walking across campus decked out in Benedictine attire. You will find Ernie the Eagle posters displayed in every residence hall and every room. This sense of pride and passion is rooted in our history, fostered by our mission and valued by our alumni and our friends. I hope you will be able to return to campus in 2012 to help us celebrate our 125th anniversary and share in the pride of being Benedictine.

We thank you for all of your support. If you have made a gift this year, please know that your gift—no matter what the size—has made an impact. Because of your gift, more than 96 percent of our students receive some type of financial aid. Without this help, many students might not be able to attend Benedictine University. It is my hope that if you gave this past year, you will give again this year.

If you did not give in 2011, consider making a gift in 2012. We have a variety of gift opportunities available. You can designate your gift to a specific area or to the University’s greatest need. You can help endow a scholarship or fund a much-needed capital project. You can choose a legacy gift option by joining our Heritage Society.

No matter the designation or method, it is our promise that your gift will be impactful, appreciated and stewarded in perpetuity.

Thank you for another successful year in these trying times. We value your generosity and are grateful for your continued support.

This report reflects contributions from the 2010-11 fiscal year that were received between June 1, 2010 and May 31, 2011. Every effort has been made to list names correctly. If you find a problem with the way your name appears, please contact us at (630) 829-6072.
Statement of Financial Position Information

As of May 31

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<th>Assets</th>
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<td>Loans receivable from students</td>
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<td>Property and equipment, net</td>
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<td>Advances under line of credit</td>
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# Statement of Activities Information

**Years ended May 31**

## 2011

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<th>Revenue and other support:</th>
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<td>$ 94,010,890</td>
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<td>$ 81,424,741</td>
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<td>Less scholarships and grants</td>
<td>(33,638,169)</td>
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<td>(33,638,169)</td>
<td>(29,205,838)</td>
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<td><strong>Net tuition and fees</strong></td>
<td>60,372,721</td>
<td>–</td>
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<td>60,372,721</td>
<td>52,218,903</td>
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| Private gifts and grants  | 876,776      | 2,383,750              | 155,458                | 3,415,984    | 3,475,675    |
| Government grants and contracts | 15,074,991   | –                      | –                      | 15,074,991   | 10,820,999   |
| Investment income         | 2,935,490    | 1,057,973              | 2,675,958              | 6,669,421    | 4,017,425    |
| Other income              | 1,296,001    | –                      | –                      | 1,296,001    | 823,671      |
| Auxiliary enterprises     | 4,249,289    | –                      | –                      | 4,249,289    | 3,922,899    |
| Net assets released from restrictions | 635,369      | (407,449)              | (227,920)              | –            | –            |

| **Total revenue and other support** | 85,440,637 | 3,034,274              | 2,603,496              | 91,078,407   | 75,279,572   |

| Expenses: |
| Compensation: |
| Salaries | 32,609,886 | –                     | –                     | 32,609,886   | 29,385,012   |
| Benefits | 7,362,709  | –                     | –                     | 7,362,709    | 6,236,721    |

| Total compensation | 39,972,595 | –                     | –                     | 39,972,595   | 35,621,733   |
| Utilities          | 1,796,677  | –                     | –                     | 1,796,677    | 1,746,472    |
| Depreciation       | 3,136,851  | –                     | –                     | 3,136,851    | 3,033,190    |
| Interest           | 807,076    | –                     | –                     | 807,076      | 760,895      |
| Bad debts          | 600,000    | –                     | –                     | 600,000      | 507,992      |
| Supplies and services | 26,960,093 | –                     | –                     | 26,960,093   | 21,858,598   |

| **Total expenses** | 73,273,292 | –                     | –                     | 73,273,292   | 63,528,880   |

| Increase in net assets | 12,167,345 | 3,034,274              | 2,603,496              | 17,805,115   | 11,750,692   |

| Other changes in net assets: |
| Change in fair value of interest rate swap agreement | (703,838) | –                     | –                     | (703,838)    | (421,452)    |
| Change in net assets | 11,463,507 | 3,034,274              | 2,603,496              | 17,101,277   | 11,329,240   |

| **Net assets, beginning of year** | 49,368,260 | 6,375,720              | 10,096,289             | 65,840,269   | 54,511,029   |

| **Net assets, end of year** | $ 60,831,767 | $ 9,409,994             | $ 12,699,785           | $ 82,941,546 | $ 65,840,269 |
Heritage Society

Members of the Heritage Society are donors who have provided a planned gift such as inclusion in a will, a charitable remainder trust, a gift annuity or a life insurance policy.

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<td>$1,000,000+</td>
<td>Aurelius Abbatiello, Ph.D.</td>
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<td>Tim C., BA93 &amp; Alisa Allen, Raymond H., D.V.M., BS62 &amp; Margaret A. Backe</td>
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<td>Pillars of Benedictine University</td>
<td>$250,000 – $499,999</td>
<td>Emil M. Banas, Ph.D., BS43, ACAD39, Thomas E., M.D., BS79 &amp; Vicki L., BS78 Bielanski</td>
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<td>Founder’s Society</td>
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<td>Ralph J. Bieskan, ACAD51, W. Brand, BA61 &amp; Mary Ann, Ph.D., Bobosky</td>
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<td>Benedictine Hall Society</td>
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<td>Wilfrid Erdrin*, BA30, Estate of Mr. &amp; Mrs. Harold Moser</td>
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<td>$1 – $99</td>
<td>Thomas R., M.D., BS69 &amp; Gertrude A. Huberty</td>
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Ray J., BA53 & Rosemary May
Frank J. & Jeanette S. McCarthy
John F., BA62 & Karen N. McGuinn
James M. Meehan*, D.A., BS66
Marie G. Miles
Orielda T. Miller*
Wendell P., ’54 & Lorraine A. Monyak
Linda K., MBA98 & Patrick T. Paulson
Dorcas Mae Peary
Lydia Polek
John Poslusny, BS72
Olga Rolya*
Most Rev. Daniel L. Ryan, D.D., BA52
Philip A. & Elizabeth E. Schaaak
Edward H. & Marie Clare C. Schmit
William P. Skvarla, D.D.S., BA53
Walter T., BA72 & Joann C. Slezak
John J. Stachniak
William F. Jr., D.D.S., ACAD46 & Norma C. Stroner
Daniel E., Ph.D., BS65 & Mary W. Tira
Thaddeus Tragarz
Gloria J. Tysi, Ph.D.
Jan A. Verhagem, MBA79
Duane R. Walker
Paul L. Sr., BA66 & Gail F. Whiting
Eugene J., BS53 & Nancy A. Wittry
John B. Zohimsky, ACAD42
Margaret and Harold Moser
(1913-2001 and 1914-2001)
(Moser Center: Academic Building, Naperville)

Harold Moser combined an astute business sense with financial generosity. He was a leading businessman in the western suburbs, particularly in Naperville. With an interest in private higher education, his wife, Margaret, encouraged Harold to become involved with Benedictine University. For more than 30 years, the Mosers supported the mission of the University in many ways. Harold became a member of the Board of Trustees in 1959 and served in that capacity until 1994.

He influenced the development of both the Dan and Ada Rice Center and the Krasa Student Center, where the Fireside Lounge is dedicated to the Mosers.

The University awarded Harold an honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters in 1966 and the distinguished alumnus award in 1977. Margaret was honored with the Doctor of Humane Letters in 1988. Harold officially retired from the Board in 1994. The University honored them with the Cross of St. Benedict for their outstanding support.

The Trustee Society of Benedictine University
$1,000,000 +
Estate of Connie L. Keenan

Pillars of Benedictine University
$250,000 – $499,999
Daniel F. and Ada L. Rice Foundation
The Monks of St. Procopius Abbey

Founder’s Society
$100,000 – $249,999
Chicago Community Trust
Magnetirol International

Benedictine Hall Society
$50,000 – $99,999
Arthur J. Schmitt Foundation
Bruce R., ’81 & Julie A. Bronge
Estate of Gladys W. Marhefka
Willis M. Gillett
Daniel L. & Carol F. Goodwin
Thomas C. O’Neil,* BA63

Abbey Society
$25,000 – $49,999
Cuneo Foundation
Paul, Ph.D., PHD00 & Amy Eccher
Daniel F. & Ann L. Rigby
Sodexo International Inc.
Villa St. Benedict

Prior’s Society
$10,000 – $24,999
William J. II & Gayle P. Bartlett
Maureen G. & Truitt L. Beal
Benedictine University Alumni Association
Michael J. & Kay R. Birck
Cardio Cushion LLC
William J., Ph.D. & Marietta Carroll
Estate of James P. Jana Jr.
Helen V. Brach Foundation
Lazzara Family Foundation
Lilly Fellows Program
James L., Ph.D. & Katherine S. Melsa
NICOR
Edward H. & Marie C. Schmitt
William F. & Susan E. Sonntag
Donald M., Ph.D., BS75 & Denise M. Stabilein
Susan Cook House Educational Trust
W.P. & H.B. White Foundation

Provost’s Society
$5,000 – $9,999
Ruth, BS01 & Geoff Bergeron
John F. IV & Kathleen Linda Carroll
Ann H. Dunk
DuPage Community Foundation
Estate of Ralph Fogarty
John J., BS52 & Marilyn Fulton
Paul R. & Helen G. Gauvreau
Donna S. Hrozencik, M.D., BS82 & Mark Ouimet
IKON Office Solutions
August Kapellas
Matthew J., Ph.D., BS64 & Donalyn Mikulich
Browning-Ferris Industries
Dorothy M. Tucker
U.S. Bank-Chicago
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Rosemary Macko & Dennis E. Wisnosky

Dean’s Society
$2,500 – $4,999
Anonymous Friends
James H. & Ann Beatty
Ronald C. Christner, Ph.D., BA69
Raymond A., BS58 & Julie L. Daly
Katherine A. & John V., MBA86 Donofrio
Gerard J. & Laura D’Souza
Brian J. Ebalo, BA83
Jeffrey S. & Donna A. Garrett
James, Ph.D., PHD04 & Jenny Gustafson
James E. & Barbara B. Hayes
Renricksen & Co.
Lee, MBA86 & Becky Heriaud
Leonard J., M.D., ’57 & Ruth A. Hertko
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Steven P., BS85 & Cynthia L., BA84 Jerger
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Sendra Service Corporation
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John R., BS60 & Jacqueline J. Spelman
Stone Turn Group LLP
Together We Read
Friends of Lincoln Library
Peter J. & Joan S. Wrenn

President’s Associates Society
$1,000 – $2,499
ABM Security Services Inc.
Alliance Drywall & Acoustical
Richard C., M.D., F.A.C.S., F.A.C.C.P., BS88 & Janice L. Anderson
John M., BA84 & Bonnie H. Atkinson
Barnes & Noble College Bookstores Inc.
Christopher E., BA88 & Christine L. Birck
W. Brand, BA61 & Mary Ann, Ph.D. Bobosky
Edmund P., BA64 & Luellen M. Boland
James M. Brusek, BA69 & June R. Macchiaverna
Lawrence M., BA81 & Kelly A. Budnik
John P. Sr. & Mae F. Calamos
William E., BA78 & Valerie, ’81 Callahan
Rosalie J. Camillone
Harold R., BS59 & Ann M. Carey
Fr. Roman Galiardi, O.S.B. (1930-2006)
(Roman Hall: Founders’ Woods)

A canon lawyer, Fr. Roman was the seventh president of St. Procopius College. He was a tribunal judge for canonical cases in the Archdiocese of Chicago and also served as pastor of St. Joan of Arc Parish in Lisle from 1985 to 2000.

Fr. Roman entered St. Procopius College in 1948 and went on to earn both master and doctorate degrees.

After serving in a number of administrative offices, he was named president of the College in 1965. During his six years in this position, he was responsible for major changes to the school. He converted the Board of Trustees into a fiduciary board of control, which also provided contacts for fundraising. He challenged the Trustees to design an event that would raise funds for student scholarships. In 1971, because of the school’s growth under his direction, it was decided to change the name to Illinois Benedictine College.
Abbot Valentine Skluzaček, O.S.B. (1915-2000)
(Valentine Hall: Founders’ Woods)

Following four of his brothers, Abbot Valentine entered St. Procopius Academy in 1929. Early on, he decided to become a priest, and after his sophomore year at St. Procopius College, he entered the Benedictine monastic community.

He professed vows in 1936 and was ordained in 1942. The following year, he completed a master’s degree in Political Science at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. For more than three decades, he taught History and Political Science classes at both the Academy and College.

In 1978, after serving as pastor of St. Joan of Arc parish in Lisle, he was elected the seventh abbot of St. Procopius Abbey. As abbot, he worked to help the community adopt the mandates of the Second Vatican Council and challenged himself to “serve in the spirit.”
Abbot Hugh Anderson, O.S.B.
(Anderson Hall: Founders’ Woods)

Abbot Hugh’s mission changed many times over his years as a Benedictine monk at St. Procopius Abbey. He professed monastic vows in June of 1959 and while he was a seminar he worked in the registrar’s office and was a residence hall counselor. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1965 and became the director of admissions until 1969. In 1970, he became the assistant principal at Benet Academy. In 1982, he began service as an associate pastor at St. Joan of Arc Church in Lisle, until his election as Abbot in 1985. After his resignation in 2002, Fr. Hugh became the director of University Ministry. In 2010, he was elected the president of the American-Cassinese Congregation, a union of 21 Benedictine monasteries in the United States, Canada and Mexico, providing leadership to the council of the president. In his capacity as Abbot president, he frequently is called to world-wide meetings, requiring travel to Europe and beyond.

Michael T. Egan Jr.
John G., BA90 &
Louise R., BA90 Egofske
Daniel L., BS63 & Catherine G. Ferrario
Hugh A., MBA86 & Betty A. Fisher
Austen T. Flavell, BA74
Darryl P., Ph.D., PHD09 &
Sharolyn, C.P.A. Franklin
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Thomas Havlik attended St. Procopius Academy. After completing his studies, he taught at the school and served as registrar at both the academy and college. He was ordained a priest in 1940 and was sent to the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., to earn a master’s degree in Educational Administration. In 1944, Fr. Thomas was named rector at both institutions. In 1956, the academy (now known as Benet Academy) moved across Maple Avenue and he became its first principal. In 1964, he served as director of development and later as dean of student affairs at the College.

A year after the monks moved into their new abbey, Fr. Thomas was elected Abbot. During the next seven years, he helped the community continue renewal of the mandates of the Second Vatican Council and successfully hosted the 39th General Chapter of the American Cassinese Congregation in 1977.
Richard C. Becker, Ph.D.
(Becker Hall: Founders’ Woods)

In June 1976, the Board of Trustees selected Richard C. Becker, Ph.D., as the institution’s first lay president. Before that, he had spent 17 years in an international business career, and was also a scientist, electronics engineer and entrepreneur.

In the span of Becker’s presidency, he made the important decision in 1987 to absorb George Williams College’s four graduate degree programs: Exercise Physiology; Public Health; Counseling Psychology; and Management and Organizational Behavior.

During Becker’s tenure, which lasted until 1995, college enrollment rose from 1,400 students to 2,700. The first Master of Business Administration degree was conferred in December 1978, and in the following year, the college added both International Business and Computer Science as new undergraduate majors.

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Daniel Kucera, O.S.B.
(Kucera Hall: Founders’ Woods)
Abbot Daniel Kucera, served as registrar, chairman of the Department of Education, and academic dean for St. Procopius College before he was elected president in 1959.
In 1964, he was elected the fifth abbot of St. Procopius Abbey, and for one year served as both abbot of St. Procopius Abbey and president of the College. Abbot Daniel was instrumental in bringing together a consortium of area colleges that included Benedictine, North Central College, Aurora College and George Williams College. For two years, this consortium undertook joint projects that included cross-registration of students at any of the four colleges. He also presided over the construction of the library and the Rice Center. Abbot Daniel was ordained an Auxiliary Bishop of Joliet, Bishop of Salina, Kan., and then Archbishop of Dubuque, Iowa, before retiring in 1996.
Abbot John Nepomucene Jaeger, O.S.B. (1844-1924)  
(Jaeger Hall: Residence Hall)

John Jaeger was born in Bohemia on February 24, 1844, the son of a tailor. The young boy with a violin under his arm came with his family to America in 1853. At the age of 10, he helped support his family through employment in a traveling Italian orchestra. By 21, when the family was less dependent on his earnings, he enrolled in St. Vincent College in Pennsylvania to explore monastic life.

After completing his required studies, he entered the Archabbey and professed monastic vows in 1871. After his ordination in July of 1875, Fr. Jaeger served in a variety of parishes where his language skills helped in ministry to Slavic immigrants. He served as pastor of St. Wenceslaus Parish in Alleghany, Pa. In 1882, he was appointed to St. Procopius Parish in Chicago where, with two other monks, following the instructions of Archabbot Boniface Wimmer at St. Vincent’s, he began the monastic life that eventually led to his becoming abbot in 1894.
Abbot Ambrose Ondrak, O.S.B.  
(1892-1961)  

(Ondrak Hall: Residence Hall)  

As a student in 1907, Ambrose Ondrak studied piano and trombone at St. Procopius Academy and became a member of the school orchestra.  

As a cleric, he directed the St. Procopius College orchestra, and taught classes in mathematics, physics, bookkeeping and music.  

While Abbot, he was involved in the separation of St. Procopius College and Academy, the formal accreditation of the College, and the construction of several buildings on campus.  

He was also appointed a consultant to the Pontifical Theological Commission planning the Second Vatican Council.
John M. Krasa, M.D.  
(1891-1980)  
(Krasa Student Center)

John Krasa, M.D., was born in 1891, four years after St. Procopius College was founded at St. Procopius Parish at 18th and Allport in the Pilsen neighborhood of Chicago. He grew up in the shadow of the church and kept close ties with Benedictines all of his life.

Krasa was one of the first lay members of the St. Procopius College Advisory Board established in 1956 (later becoming the Board of Trustees), and served as a trustee for 24 years.

He believed strongly in education and did not consider it unusual to make generous donations to the school. His gifts to the college were, at that time, the largest ever received. In 1969, the college honored him with an honorary doctoral degree in science.

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Joseph and Bess Kindlon
(1925-2007 and 1925-2009)

(Kindlon Hall of Learning: Academic Building)

Joseph F. Kindlon was a modern-day founder of Benedictine University. His interest in higher education began in 1976 when he was asked to serve on Benedictine’s President’s Advisory Council. Two years later, he became a trustee and continued in that role until his death on August 9, 2007.

The Kindlons were very generous to Benedictine and gave a lasting gift to the University in the Joseph and Bess Kindlon Hall of Learning, which houses a five-story library, numerous classrooms and laboratories, as well as University offices. It anchors the campus quad and holds the cross on its roof peak.

Joseph received an honorary doctorate from the University in 1986, and Bess received an honorary doctorate in 1999.
William M. Scholl, M.D.  
(1882-1968)  
(Scholl Hall: Academic Building)

The 13th child of a German immigrant dairy farmer, William M. Scholl left the farm at the age of 16 to apprentice in a small shoe store specializing in comfort and specialist footwear. He noted the number of customers who complained of foot pain and discomfort, and he was so motivated, that he enrolled in medical school to study the anatomy and physiology of the foot.

Scholl graduated in 1904 with a Doctor of Medicine degree and founded Dr. Scholl’s, a brand of foot care products. He also helped found the Chicago College of Chiropody and Pedic Surgery.

He was a prolific inventor and created a range of remedy and cushioning devices for common foot problems.

Scholl established the Dr. Scholl Foundation, which is a private independent grant-making foundation dedicated to providing financial assistance to organizations committed to improving our world. The Scholl Foundation has been very generous to Benedictine University over the years.
Michael and Kay Birck
(Birk Hall of Science: Academic Building)

Michael and Kay Birck became involved at Benedictine University when their son, Christopher, enrolled as a student. Michael was a member of the President’s Advisory Council and has served on the Board of Trustees from 1988 to the present, including as chairman. One of the many philanthropic efforts of which he and Kay have been part, was sponsoring the annual Educare Scholarship Ball, which raised money for students in need of financial assistance. The Birck’s continue to find ways to support and fundraise for the University. Michael is founder and Chairman of Tellabs, Inc. and he and Kay have made many generous contributions to the University, particularly in the area of science.
Dan and Ada Rice
(1896-1975 and 1899-1977)
(Rice Center: Athletic and Fitness Center Building)

Dan was born in Chicago in 1896 and as a young man made his fortune in the commodities market. At 23, he married Ada Bousman of Danville. In 1929, they purchased several hundred acres of property in Wheaton and 13 years later established the Ada L. Rice Racing Stable.

Rice left a large part of his estate to medical schools to establish scholarships for needy students. The Rice Foundation continues to donate to causes benefiting natural resources, medical research and the community.

From personal gifts and their estate, the Rices contributed nearly $1.4 million in 1976 to construct Benedictine University’s Dan and Ada Rice Center, which is dedicated to education, physical fitness and athletic competition. Their foundation also helped make the new renovation of the Rice Center possible this year. The Legends Center in the building houses honors and awards won by the Rices, including the victory racing plates won by Lucky Debonair, the 1965 Kentucky Derby winner.
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