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Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College Establishes Scholarships for Female Graduates of La Lumiere School

La Porte, Ind. – April 3, 2009 – Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College (SMWC), a Catholic women’s college in Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Ind., has created a new scholarship for female students who graduate from La Lumiere School. By creating these new scholarships, which are valued at \$11,000 per year for four years, SMWC hopes to make private college education more affordable for La Lumiere School graduates.

“In these challenging economic times, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College remains committed to making private higher education affordable,” said SMWC President David G. Behrs, Ph.D. “We are proud to offer these scholarships to the graduates of La Lumiere School, a school that shares our mission of serving students from diverse backgrounds and preparing them to be tomorrow's leaders.”

The new scholarships are valued at \$11,000 a year and will be applied towards the cost of attendance for female graduates of La Lumiere School who are admitted and enroll in the campus-based program at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College. The scholarships, which are academically renewable for four years, can be combined with federal need-based financial aid.

About La Lumiere School

La Lumiere is a coeducational lay Catholic boarding and day school that provides a comprehensive college preparatory education for qualified young men and women from a rich diversity of backgrounds. It seeks to develop character, scholarship, and faith, while remaining both independently accredited and faithful to its Catholic heritage. It is situated on a beautiful rural estate, 25 miles west of South Bend, 60 miles east of Chicago, and 8 miles from both La Porte and New Buffalo.

About St. Mary-of-the-Woods

Founded in 1840 by Saint Mother Theodore Guerin and the Sisters of Providence, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College is the oldest Catholic liberal arts college for women in the United States. The College serves a diverse community of learners in undergraduate and graduate programs, while maintaining its historical commitment to women in its campus program. By participating in this community, students develop their abilities to think critically, to communicate responsibly, to engage in lifelong learning and leadership, and to effect positive change in a

global society. The College is committed to making private higher education affordable. Approximately 95% of campus-based undergraduate students at SMWC receive academic or need-based financial aid, and this year alone, the College will grant approximately \$3.3 million in institutional aid to students.

Both the Princeton Review and U.S. News & World Report rank SMWC as one of the Best Baccalaureate Colleges in the Midwest. SMWC is located on a beautiful 67-acre campus near Terre Haute, Indiana.

For more information about the new La Lumiere School Scholarships, contact the SMWC Office of Admission by email at smwcadms@smwc.edu or by phone at 812-535-5106 or 800-926-SMWC. More information about Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College can be found online at www.smwc.edu. More information about La Lumiere School can be found at www.lalumiere.org.

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IMAGE CAPTION: David G. Behrs, Ph.D., president of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College, and Michael Kennedy, headmaster of La Lumiere School, recently met to sign a contract for the new La Lumiere School scholarships. The La Lumiere Scholarships are valued at \$11,000 a year and will be applied towards the cost of attendance for female graduates of La Lumiere School who are admitted and enroll in the campus-based program at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College.

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