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Legacy for Tomorrow

Summer is the city’s most vibrant season, and it is a lively time on campus, too. Construction of our world-class School of Music building is underway, breathing life into what will become a bustling facility worthy of our talented students and faculty. Similarly, Blue Demon fans are anticipating with excitement the new Event Center, where our men’s basketball program—after a 30-year absence—will again hold home court in Chicago.

DePaul is building its future on the foundation of our past, from the places on campus that shape our memories to the people who passed through our doors. Like Mabel “Dolly” Staton (EDU ’55), a 1952 Olympian who broke ground as a member of the first interracial track team in the Midwest. Like the alumni we quote in this issue who have made DePaul a school of choice for recruiting new employees and attribute it to the “DePaul difference” at work. Like the students and faculty who help impoverished children cope with the exceptional stresses of their lives through The Cities Project, and like the DePaul researchers and alumni who are identifying strategies for sustainable growth and inclusive decision-making in communities undergoing gentrification.

DePaul’s achievements today were made possible by the groundwork laid yesterday. These achievements will become our legacy as our graduates’ good works transform tomorrow.

Rev. Dennis H. Holtschneider, C.M.