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## Saint Michael's student receives Vermont Campus Compact award for extraordinary service

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**Kathryn Schnurr**, a senior art major at Saint Michael's College from Weston, Conn., was a finalist for the Vermont Teddy Bear 2006 Student Citizen Award. She was recognized by the statewide student service organization Vermont Campus Compact (VCC) at ceremonies at the Vermont State House in Montpelier on March 29.

Ms. Schnurr, the daughter of James and Christine Schnurr of Weston, is particularly active in MOVE programs to serve the homeless, especially at the Salvation Army and COTS in Burlington, Vt. Her work is widespread and heartfelt in such programs as Best Buddies, Corrections Volleyball, Senior Citizens and in the extended service trips she has taken to South Carolina, New Orleans and West Virginia. Each of her trips involves working with the local communities in a project created by the Saint Michael's MOVE office in conjunction with organizations in each locale.



Ms. Schnurr graduated from Fairfield Warde High School in 2003 before coming to Saint Michael's, a

liberal arts residential Catholic college located in the Burlington area of Vermont.

At the same occasion Saint Michael's College President Marc vanderHeyden was honored with the creation of a service award in his name established by the Vermont Campus Compact. The Marc vanderHeyden President's Service to Vermont Award was presented by Governor James Douglas. With several hundred people from most of the colleges in the state assembled for a recognition program, Gov. Douglas presented President vanderHeyden the award at the VCC annual Gala, "A Celebration of Campuses Changing the World through Service, Service-Learning and Civic Engagement."

Saint Michael's College, founded in 1904 by the Society of St. Edmund and headed by President Marc A. vanderHeyden, has been identified by *U. S. News & World Report* for 17 consecutive years as one of the top 15 Master's Universities in the North. A liberal arts, residential, Catholic college located in the Burlington area of Vermont, Saint Michael's was recently invited to sponsor a chapter of the prestigious academic honor society, Phi Beta Kappa, on campus. Saint Michael's has 2,000 full-time undergraduate students, and some 500 graduate students and 200 international students, studying part time. The College was named recently by *Newsweek* magazine a "Hidden Treasure," one of 30 colleges recommended most frequently by guidance counselors for being "schools that deserve more national recognition." Saint Michael's is included in Princeton Review's *The Best 361 Colleges: 2007 Edition*.

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