

EDITOR'S NOTE

Serving the World

Dear Readers,



A discussion with Dr. Mikhail Ivanov (left), a famous Russian scholar—developer of DSMC methods, at the 29th International Symposium on Shock Waves, Madison, WI, July 2013. Dr. Ivanov died two months later in Novosibirsk, Russia.

down from her position as Vice President for Academic Affairs at the end of this year, completing 15 years of distinguished service to the University).

Two themes are notable in this edition of the *InSight: Rivier Academic Journal*: 1) five peer-reviewed articles (authors: *Elizabeth Bonin*, *Kuo-Pin Lin*, *Mia L. Manning-Osborn*, *Kathleen Riordan*, and *Michael M. Bichrest*) presented at the First Doctoral Conference on Leadership and Learning at Rivier University (February 25, 2013) and edited by *Dr. Naomi Schoenfeld* and *Mia L. Manning-Osborn*; and 2) fostering Rivier University's emphasis on global engagement and "serving the world," *Dr. Susan Barbaro* and her students discovered sources of water pollution in Central Haiti, the subject of her report in this edition.

In the *Art* section, readers can find information about a recent art exhibit ("*Christ in the Darkness: Georges Rouault as a Printmaker*") at the Rivier Art Gallery (*Sr. Theresa Couture*).

The *Chronicle* section covers various remarkable events in Rivier campus life, such as Rivier's 78th Commencement; Academic Convocation; the Graduate Hooding Ceremony; the Nursing Pinning Ceremony; Celebrating Faculty Scholarship Events; Senior Honors Thesis Presentations; Professional Seminar in Computer Science; Biology Seminar Series, and others. Here the readers can also find Faculty, Staff and Alumni Profiles, and information about articles, which have been recently published by faculty and staff in other publications.

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We look forward to your contributions to the *InSight: Rivier Academic Journal* in the future.

Sincerely yours,

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