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University of Saint Mary Language & Literature  
Professor To Recount Experiences in Ireland

*7:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 20, 2007*

(Leavenworth, Kan.)—In the summer of 2006, Sister Susan Rieke, Ph.D., used a two-month sabbatical to travel the Irish country side. Already an American Literary scholar and an accomplished published poet, Rieke's goal was simple: she wanted to gain a full appreciation of the storied Irish literature, its history, and Modernist movements that often sprung from the country.

Rieke will recount her experience in Dublin and Fermoy and read some of her original poetry, during a 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 20, 2007 presentation, "Irish Strawberries, Poetry, and History," inside the University of Saint Mary Walnut Room, located on the second floor of Mead Hall. Admission is free and open to the public.

Rieke, a 1966 Saint Mary alum, is the chair of the USM Language and Literature Department. Her presentation is co-sponsored by the USM Lawrence D. Starr Global Studies Institute, and the National Scholastic Honor Society, Delta Epsilon Sigma.

The University of Saint Mary is located at 4100 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Leavenworth, Kan. Call 913-758-6115 for more information.

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