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Dear Carleton College Parents,

As we celebrate spring in Minnesota, we are already looking ahead to the fall and the beginning of a new academic year. A warm welcome to parents of our incoming Class of 2013, as well as greetings to those of you who will have sophomores, juniors and seniors at Carleton in the next year. I'm writing to share that the *Family Guide* for the 2009-2010 academic year is now available on the Carleton website in the section entitled "Families".

Now celebrating its 16th anniversary, the *Family Guide* was designed by the Parents Advisory Council in conjunction with the Office of the Dean of Students. The *Guide* contains information to assist you in the coming year, including:

- the location, phone numbers and functions of key campus offices including Residential Life, Security Services, Wellness, Athletics, Financial Aid, and the Dean of Students;
- information about student activities and programs, College services, and College policies;
- lists and phone numbers of restaurants and places to stay when visiting;
- a map of the College, information about transportation, and a calendar detailing important events; and
- tips on what to expect developmentally as your son or daughter progresses through Carleton.

You also have access to the *Family Directory* (located in a secure area on the Carleton College web site <http://apps.carleton.edu/parents/directory>), which includes a geographical listing of parents, the names and classes of their students and contact information. We hope you will find this information helpful in identifying other Carleton parents in your area who can provide information, insights and shared interests. The updated directory will be available in July, and can be accessed with: username: **parents** and password: **knights2009**.

Although the directory information about parents (name, home address, and telephone) is considered "public information" within the Carleton community, we respect everyone's desire for privacy. Should you wish to update and/or exclude your information from the on-line directory, please go to:

https://apps.carleton.edu/parents/address_form.

If you have any questions, please call the Office of the Dean of Students (507) 222-4075.

I hope you find that the *Family Guide* can make your student's world more accessible and exciting for you.

Sincerely,



Gary O'Brien, Chair
Carleton College Parents Advisory Council
Parent of Nolan '08 and William '10