

Announcement about Establishing the Gallivan Program

The family of John W. Gallivan, a University of Notre Dame graduate and long-time Salt Lake City journalist, has made significant contributions to endow in his name the University's Program in Journalism, Ethics & Democracy.

With a leadership gift from Michael and Sharee Gallivan and additional contributions from Ned and Gay Gallivan McDonough and Tim and Pam Gallivan, the John W. Gallivan Program will continue and enhance Notre Dame's work in journalism education that began in 1997 with a three-year grant from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation.

"It is most fitting that a program dedicated to the responsible practice of journalism in our democracy is now named in honor of an alumnus who epitomizes that ideal," said Rev. Edward A. Malloy, C.S.C., Notre Dame's president. "We thank the Gallivan family for making this program a permanent academic enterprise at the University."

A 1937 graduate of Notre Dame, John W. Gallivan is chairman of the

board and publisher emeritus of the Kearns Tribune Corporation. He joined the company immediately after graduating and served as publisher of The Salt Lake City Tribune from 1960-84 after previously working in virtually every other capacity at the newspaper. He co-founded Telecommunications Inc. (TCI, which recently merged with AT&T) and remains an active leader in Salt Lake City.

"I am grateful to my children for endowing Notre Dame's Program in Journalism, Ethics & Democracy in my name and grateful, also, to my alma mater for her lifetime guiding hand," Gallivan said. "It is my ardent wish that the program be dedicated to the restoration of public trust in journalism. To that end, may these programs be conducted so as to inspire all journalists to abide by a strict code of fairness and integrity to faithfully, fearlessly and fulsomely deliver the daily news report with full attribution and conscientious objectivity."

Speaking on behalf of the family, Michael Gallivan, a 1967 Notre Dame graduate, said, "For more than 60 years, Jack Gallivan has defined what journalistic excellence should be in the communities of America. He approaches his profession as a responsibility. Fairness, a pure heart, and rational leadership have been his life's tools. His family hopes that by this

endowment the John W. Gallivan Program in Journalism, Ethics & Democracy can inspire like-minded leaders in the world's news media."

The original Knight Foundation grant to the program supported the development of new courses related to journalism at the University and visits to campus by nationally known journalists to talk with students and faculty. A five-course concentration in journalism was formally approved by the College of Arts and Letters in 1998.

The Gallivan gifts extend the work of the program by providing scholarship assistance and internship support to students and by underwriting administrative costs related to the project. In addition, an endowment for excellence fund will allow Notre Dame to sponsor conferences, lectures, publications and additional courses under the auspices of the program.

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