



Explore the Archives

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A look inside the archives of St. John Paul II Library.

1. Printed on paper made of linen rags, these *New York Times* newspapers from the Civil War era (1861-65) are preserved in excellent condition (original price: four cents).
2. This Webster Chicago wire recorder and reel-to-reel recorder (circa mid-1900s) seem like giants compared with today's palm-sized digital recording devices.
3. "I'm in the Mood for Love" is the record on the turntable of this gramophone.
4. The doctoral degree of the College of Steubenville's founding president, Father Daniel Egan, TOR, was salvaged from the fire in the friary that tragically took his life in 1959.
5. Football fans might remember these game programs and the words to this song, written



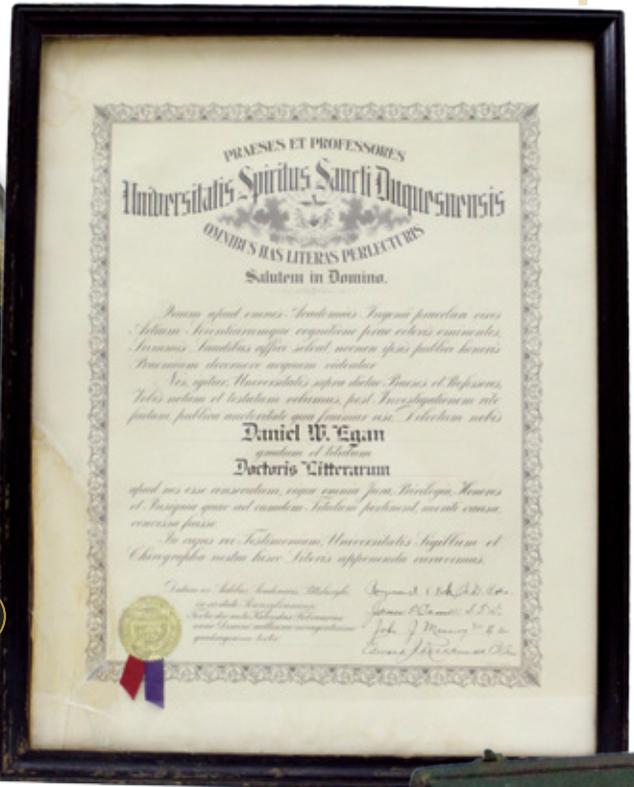


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by Rev. Walter Plimmer in 1948: “On! Steubenville on!/ Fight till the last chance is gone./ Get that ball, hit that line,/ Let’s Go, Barons, rise and shine./ Hold, hold, hold for the green and gold,/ Kick that pigskin right over the hill,/ Run! Run! Run till the game is won/ For the College of Steubenville.”

6. Father Michael Scanlan, TOR, received this chalice and paten in 1987 as a gift from Prince Laurent of Belgium.

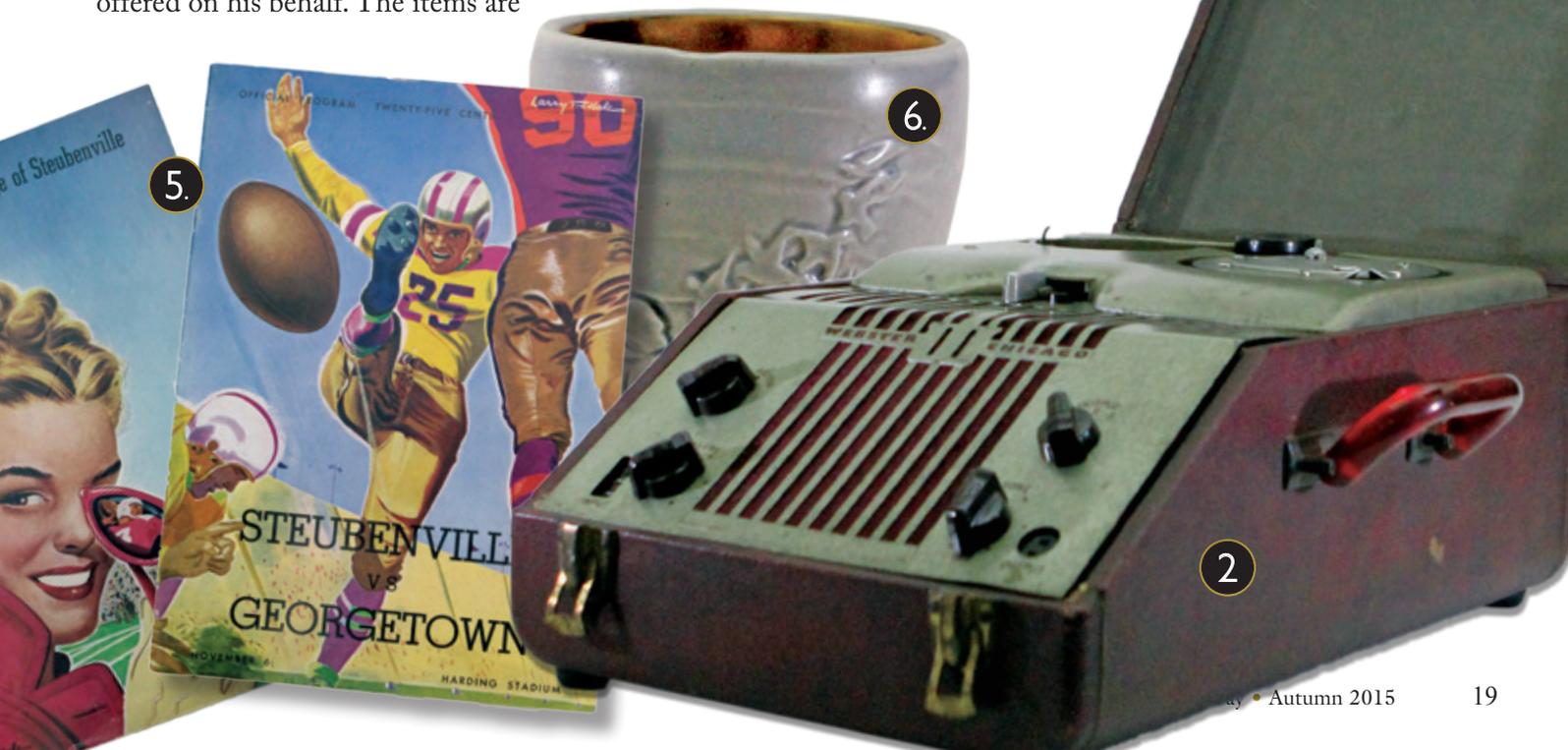
7. The father of Faith Hickey '03, Sean Hickey—one of the first rescue workers on the scene at Ground Zero on September 11, 2001—donated his New York City firefighter’s helmet, gear, and a piece of steel from the World Trade Center to the University, in gratitude for the many prayers offered on his behalf. The items are



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displayed in the St. John Paul II Library each year to honor the anniversary of 9-11. ■

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