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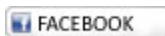
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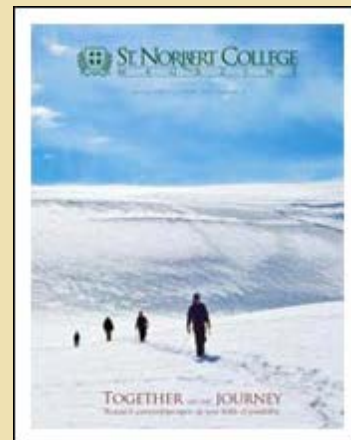


Carol (Sessler) Bruess '90

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The work in interpersonal communication of **Carol (Sessler) Bruess '90**, a member of the faculty at the University of St. Thomas, keeps her focused on "What Happy Couples Do." It's the title of her [blog](#) and the topic, too, of an [article](#) about Carol and husband, **Brian '90**, that appears in the Spring 2011 issue of St. Norbert College Magazine.

Readers can enjoy a taste of Carol's scholarly work in [excerpts from a chapter](#) in the forthcoming book "Social Capital and Family Business" (2011), edited by R. Sorenson. This chapter, on "Family Rituals and



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