



**PAMELA B. GANN**

**PRESIDENT OF CLAREMONT MCKENNA COLLEGE**

Pamela Brooks Gann became president of Claremont McKenna College on July 1, 1999. She is CMC's fourth president. Claremont McKenna College is a residential liberal arts college of 1200 students with a focused mission on educating leaders for business, the professions, and public affairs. Its economics and government departments are considered the best at any liberal arts college in the United States. The Henry R. Kravis Leadership Institute is one of the three best leadership programs for undergraduates in the United States. CMC is regularly ranked among the best liberal arts colleges in the United States, it is the sixth most selective college in admission, and it is a member of consortium of colleges, called The Claremont Colleges, located in Claremont, California. In September 2007, CMC announced a \$200 million gift to establish the Robert Day Scholars Program and the creation of the Robert Day School in Economics & Finance. This gift is the 20<sup>th</sup> largest in American higher education, and the largest gift ever in the field of economics. In March 2008, CMC publicly commenced a \$600 million Campaign, the largest ever announced by a liberal arts college, and it has raised \$425 million toward this goal.

Prior to her arrival in Claremont, President Gann served for 11 years as dean of the Duke University School of Law and as a faculty member for 24 years. President Gann has an extensive background in international education, including teaching American law and international trade in the People's Republic of China, France, Denmark, and at the Salzburg Seminar, Salzburg, as well as an intensive training session in Hanoi, where she helped train 100 Vietnam government officials in preparation for bilateral trade agreement negotiations. She has also visited at the University of Virginia and the University of Michigan, and was awarded an International Affairs Fellowship by the Council on Foreign Relations, through which she worked at the International Monetary Fund and the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative.

Gann is an active leader in law, higher education, and international policy. She has been elected to membership in the Council on Foreign Relations, the International Women's Forum, the Society of International Business Fellows, and the American Law Institute. She is an elected Fellow of the American Bar Foundation. She serves as a member of the Deloitte & Touche Council on the Advancement of Women (WIN); she is a member of the Board of Directors for the American Council on Education, the President's Council of the NCAA Division III, and the Committee to Visit Harvard Law School. She is an elected Trustee of the Committee for Economic Development, and The Institute for the International Education of Students. She was awarded the "Women Lawyer of the Year" award by the North Carolina Association of Women Attorneys and also the YWCA of San Gabriel Valley's "Women of Achievement Award of Distinction."

President Gann was born in Monroe, North Carolina. She is a 1970 mathematics graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. She graduated from the Duke University School of Law in 1973, where she was articles editor of the *Duke Law Journal* and was elected to the Order of the Coif. She practiced law in private firms in Atlanta and Charlotte before returning to Duke in 1975 and being named dean in 1988. She travels extensively and is an avid outdoorswoman, particularly enjoying running, scuba diving, mountain trekking and climbing.