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## Pursuing their Passions

From a roller derby rink to a classroom in the Bahamas, SBU alums share their passion for life

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## Take the Challenge

The Quick family has established a new endowment and offers a friendly challenge to alumni and friends of the University to commit to creating a stronger student-athlete experience.



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We asked alums to tell us what they're passionate about, and they didn't disappoint. When it comes to roller derby, Jennifer (Lindow) Eskin, '98, is passionate about speed.



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## University mourns death of Fr. Dan Hurley

Fr. Dan Hurley, O.F.M., longtime alumni chaplain, was remembered as a man who showed others a simple path to God. Through his time at Mt. Irenaeus, he modeled for others the Franciscan manner for being a spiritual guide and mentor.



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## From the President

Excellence demands **passion**. I have found people are more successful when they are passionate about what they do.

— Deborah Henretta  
 Proctor and Gamble Asia President

These words, prepared by our 2010 Commencement speaker and honorary doctorate recipient, Deborah Henretta, were designed to inspire our graduates on their Commencement day.

As I listened to Deb speak, I realized that this is a wonderful secret that St. Bonaventure graduates have discovered for decades.

It is this very secret that serves as the launching pad for the theme of this edition of *Bonaventure: The Magazine of St. Bonaventure University*.

My life's passion has been the investigation of the Franciscan intellectual tradition — and translating that tradition into modern terms and contexts to ensure that we continue to learn and benefit from its riches.

One thing is certain: We need the Franciscan tradition now more than ever, and it is through the work and service of our graduates that this tradition can and will influence the world.



It is the Franciscan tradition and its infusion into our curriculum that enables us to make this claim.

What are the tangible outcomes of this that our students and alumni value? The answer to this question is seen in the stories told in this very magazine.

These stories — and the stories of each of our graduates — reflect an ethical framework that is grounded in individual dignity, community inclusiveness, and service to others — colored by the warmth and joyful affirmation of life that characterizes Franciscan work.

It is clear this ethical framework is creating a pathway to passion for our alumni.

Deb was right — passion leads to excellence. We are proud of our alumni and their inspiration to pursue their passions.

*Pax et Bonum* — Peace and Good,  
 Sr. Margaret Carney, O.S.F., S.T.D.  
 President of the University

When we say St. Bonaventure University students are becoming extraordinary, we are testifying that something happens to and for our students during the years that they spend on our campus.

Our students — and you, our alumni — become part of a centuries-long movement of work for peace, alleviation of poverty and safeguarding the planet that began with Francis and Clare.

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## Editor's Letter

### SBU alums are eager to share their enthusiasm for life

Beth A. Eberth

Our first call to alumni to share their passions with Bonaventure magazine went out in the form of an e-blast one Friday in February.

Within just a few hours, alums Andrew Hart, Denise (Doring) VanBuren, Greg Faherty and Joe Brett responded to share their passions. All four are dedicated to bringing people together to share their enthusiasm for life — and for music, history, career guidance, cultural exchanges.

The next day I received 14 more e-mails. The stories continued, and the sharing continued. About careers, hobbies, families, Bona's. Always about Bona's. Many shared how a particular faculty member guided them and inspired them.

For Kathleen (Whalen) Van De Loo, '87, it was business professor Bob Brill who set her on her career path — by walking her out of his office and into the Communications Department.

Others recalled how the lessons of a course taken decades ago still serve as a foundation for today.

Now retired in Savannah, Ga., 1955 accounting graduate Raymond Gawronski and his wife, Mary, have a passion for volunteer work, particularly with two programs that concentrate on helping the homeless.

The course "Marriage and the Family," taken some half a century ago at Bona's, has guided their lives, Ray said.

"The inspiration to help others began with the good fathers and their dedica-

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tion to help others at St. Bonaventure," said Ray.

St. Bonaventure alumni are living out loud and loving every minute of it. The same can be said of today's students.

SBU students are studying abroad in Australia, Ireland, Italy, China, Canada, France and England this summer ([bonniesblogabroad.blogspot.com](http://bonniesblogabroad.blogspot.com)), while SIFE's Embrace it Africa team has returned to Bethlehem, Uganda, to continue its successful work at a primary school and through its micro-loan program ([www.embraceitafrika.org](http://www.embraceitafrika.org)).

Three of our students will be pursuing their passion for research through the highly competitive Research Experiences for Undergraduates programs funded by the National Science Foundation, as another three will conduct research on campus through the Borer fellowship program.

Dr. Chuck Walker, professor of psychology at Bona's, believes that psychological well-being in higher education matters and he's spent more than a decade developing ways to measure it.

He has also launched a website ([www.wellbeingincollege.org](http://www.wellbeingincollege.org)) in order to share those results with others.

Recent research finds that colleges and universities that promote psychological well-being are more apt to have students and staff who are regularly cheerful and have a zest for life, who welcome challenges and opportunities for growth, and who embrace diversity and find meaning in social groups, said Walker. Those individuals are also more likely to live longer, healthier lives, suffer less depression, be more creative, and have deeper, more stable relationships.

While student well-being has always been important at SBU, it is being promoted more deliberately in residence life programming and in the classroom. For example, most of the University 101 instructors have integrated it into their syllabi.

"The core idea we are working with is that among the many things a university does for a student, strengthening psychological well-being is surely one of them. One way to do this more conscientiously and deliberately is teach students about psychological well-being in their freshman year so that they too can champion their own growth," explains Walker.



I am pleased to be able to share some exciting news regarding something I'm passionate about — Bonaventure magazine.

The magazine has earned a Silver Excalibur Award from the Buffalo/Niagara Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America. I am proud to accept the award this month on behalf of all of you, our readers.

(Beth Eberth is director of University Communications. She welcomes your feedback at [bonalumnus@sbu.edu](mailto:bonalumnus@sbu.edu) or [beberth@sbu.edu](mailto:beberth@sbu.edu).)



## Franciscan Minute

### The search for worthy dreams

By Br. F. Edward Coughlin, O.F.M.

Thomas Merton (1915-1968) was one of the most influential spiritual writers of the 20th century. Living the enclosed life of a Trappist monk, he was passionately concerned about the challenges the world faced in his day — injustices, racial inequality, nuclear armaments and the like.

One of the earliest books he wrote was his spiritual autobiography, "The Seven Storey Mountain" (1948). In it, he recalls a conversation he had in 1939 with Robert Lax, a friend from Columbia University.

Merton was anxious about his career as a writer. Lax attempted to get Merton to focus on his aim in life by asking: "Do you want to be a poet, a novelist, a critic? What do you want to do, anyway?"

Merton offered the admittedly "lame" reply that he wanted to be "a good Catholic." Lax did not accept this answer. He told Merton that he should have said he "wanted to become a saint."

Merton asked: "How do you expect me to become a saint?"

Lax replied simply: "By wanting to" (238).

Though the conversation seemed to end there, Lax played an important role in helping Merton become more attentive to discovering the deepest desires of his heart.

While teaching English at St. Bonaventure College (1941-42), Merton reported that he was still struggling to discern his vocation. He wrote, "I do not think there was a moment in my life when my



St. Theresa of the Divine Child Jesus, or "Little Flower," is located along the path near Plassmann Hall.

soul felt so urgent and so special an anguish."

The inner turmoil moved him to pray: "Please help me. What am I going to do? I can't go on like this.... Show me what to do."

Then, as he stood before the shrine of the Little Flower (near the path leading past what is now Plassmann Hall and heading toward the Reilly Center), Merton had this experience: "Suddenly," he said, "... I started to hear the great bell at Gethsemani ringing... The bell seemed to be telling me where I belonged — as if it were calling me home" (363-365).

When inner calm returned, Merton realized that the bell he had actually heard

was the call to Compline pealing out into the dark night from the bell tower in Devereux Hall. However, in his willingness to enter into his inner turmoil, he found the courage to embrace the deep desire of his heart to enter the Trappist Monastery at Gethsemani.

In many ways, Merton's experience mirrors the wisdom of the University's patron, St. Bonaventure, who expressed the conviction that the key to the human spiritual journey (*itinerarium*) is to become a "person of desire."

For Bonaventure, this desire was awakened when the soul, in anguish, cried out and asked for assistance, perhaps even the assistance of grace. For Bonaventure, God's goodness and loving presence could be found in the life of every creature and in the various sources of truth. Ultimately they were found in Truth itself, in the person of Jesus Christ and His Gospel way. (See *Itinerarium*, prologue 3).

I suspect that the question most frequently asked of seniors in high school is: What do you want to study in college? Four years later, those same students will probably be confronted with an equally predictable question: What are you going to do with your degree? I wonder who will ask them: What are you passionate about? Who do you want to become?

As Merton's story so aptly demonstrates, one of the greatest challenges any educational institution faces is the challenge of engaging the students' imaginations in the formation of "worthy dreams" and awakening desire in the innermost self to make a difference, to create something beautiful.

(Br. F. Edward Coughlin, O.F.M., is Vice President for the Franciscan Mission at St. Bonaventure and a friar with Holy Name Province.)



## Campus News

### We love legacy students!

At St. Bonaventure, we love legacy students — a unique group whose parent(s) graduated from Bona's. The Admissions Office continues to actively recruit children of alumni. If your high school aged child has not received materials from the Admissions Office, it is because your child is not on our alumni database.

We invite you to send your child's name, date of birth, and grade in September 2010 to MJ Telford, '75, Director of Volunteer Relations, at [mtelford@sbu.edu](mailto:mtelford@sbu.edu). Telford welcomes that information about any of your children, regardless of their age.

Telford oversees the legacy program in the Admissions Office and will be sure that

your child is added to the legacy list and receives

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Admissions materials and invitations to events. We also welcome referrals from alums of any high school student you think would be a good fit for SBU. Please contact Telford with the student's name, grade and mailing address.

Campus tours and interviews are available by calling the Admissions Office at 800-462-5050. The Admissions website has details on the many ways to visit campus.

### SBU tops \$875,000 in tax refunds for low-income workers through VITA

St. Bonaventure accounting students have helped local taxpayers earn close to \$900,000 in tax refunds this year, more than \$125,000 higher than the 2009 record.

Forty-seven volunteers (41 of them SBU students) logged 2,000 hours to save Cattaraugus County taxpayers \$877,000.

The Bonaventure Accounting Association formed the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program in 2004. Since then,



Students Benjamin Yeager, '10, (left) of Derrick City, Pa., and Justin Isaman, '11, of Olean, assist a local taxpayer.

VITA has helped low- and moderate-income workers earn \$3.3 million in tax refunds, often through federal and state Earned Income Tax Credits.

For every hour the volunteers contribute, whether in training or in hands-on service, \$300 in tax refunds is generated for Cattaraugus County, said Dr. Susan Anders, professor of accounting and adviser of the VITA program. It's estimated that in tax-preparation savings alone VITA puts \$825,000 back into the local economy, in addition to the tax refunds generated.

### New dean appointed for School of Arts & Sciences

Dr. Wolfgang Natter of Blacksburg, Va., has been named the new dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, effective July 1.

During his tenure in higher education, Natter has assumed leadership in strategic planning, program and curriculum development, faculty development, accreditation, fiscal and resource management, internationalization, and community outreach.

Natter comes to St. Bonaventure from Virginia Tech, where he has served as a

professor of political science and the founding director of the ASPECT (Alliance for Social, Political, Ethical, and Cultural Thought) program since 2005. Natter envisioned and developed ASPECT, an interdisciplinary liberal arts Ph.D. program in social, political, ethical and cultural thought, working with faculty in four colleges and 14 departments.

The program's design has been hailed as a bellwether for higher education in the United States.

### Save the date for the Mark Hellinger Award 50th Anniversary Celebration

The Mark Hellinger Award 50th Anniversary Celebration is slated for Friday, Oct. 15, and will honor the 2010 recipient, Charles Specht of Marilla, N.Y.

Specht served as sports editor and editor-in-chief of the The Bona Venture before becoming a reporter for SBU-TV. He has completed internships with the Buffalo Bills, The Buffalo News and NBC's Meet the Press. He was the recipient of a 2009 Jim Murray Memorial Foundation scholarship.

He is a volunteer at Mt. Irenaeus Franciscan Mountain Retreat and credits the faculty of the Jandoli School with "teaching me how to judge both news and character." He plans to pursue a career in print or multi-media journalism.

The Oct. 15 evening reception will be held at Premier Banquet Hall near the St. Bonaventure campus.

A special program is being created to honor past Hellinger recipients, who are asked to send in a photo and a brief paragraph indicating accomplishments, current endeavors, awards, and any other important items, as well as if they are considering attending. Mail to P.O. Box J, St. Bonaventure, NY, 14778, or send via e-mail to [sciesla@sbu.edu](mailto:sciesla@sbu.edu) by July 14. For more information, contact Sue Ciesla via e-mail (above) or at (716) 375-2520.



### Spring break means service

Spring break service trips drew some three dozen SBU students across the U.S. and abroad for 2010, including visits to Boston, Syracuse, Kingstree, S.C., Mexico and Ireland. In Kingstree, students served with St. Anne's Outreach Mission assisting with home repair and visits, tutoring and grocery delivery. The opportunity to volunteer at St. Ann's gave student Shanequa Ravenell (left) a chance to learn about herself and her family. "It was heartwarming to find out that my family — as far as I can trace it — was started in Andrews, S.C., only 25 miles from where we volunteered. Even without finding this out, I felt as though I was helping family," she said. Pictured at right is student Charlotte Eckert.



### Celebrating women and sports

More than 400 area female student-athletes celebrated National Women and Girls in Sports Day at Bona's this spring. The keynote presenters were Brig. Gen. Maureen Keenan-LeBoeuf, Ed.D., '76, (Ret.), Dr. Ralph Pim and women cadet athletes from West Point. Clinics in softball, basketball, soccer, lacrosse, rugby, tennis and swimming were led by SBU athletes and coaches.



### SBU marks Earth Week

SBU celebrated Arbor Day early on Friday, April 23, with a tree planting on the northeast corner of Friedsam Library. Br. Kevin Kriso, O.F.M., is pictured blessing the Sugar Maple. The event was the first step for the University to receive Tree Campus USA status and part of SBU's Eco-Fest celebration to mark Earth Week 2010. Other activities included a clothing swap, conservation lecture, recycled craft fair, and a nature walk.



### Quick Center renames gallery

The region's biggest supporter of The Regina A. Quick Center for the Arts was honored May 14 for the indelible mark she's left on the center. The West Gallery at the arts center was renamed the Marianne Letro Laine Gallery, honoring the Olean native who was on the ground floor of the Quick Center's development more than 15 years ago. Pictured with Laine (center) are Joseph LoSchiavo, associate vice president and executive director of the Quick Center, and Sr. Margaret Carney, O.S.F., university president.

## Campus News



### Bonnies respond in Chicago

Alumni across the globe assisted at soup kitchens, schools, churches and other agencies in the inaugural BonaResponds International Service Day March 27. Above, more than 30 alumni and friends in Chicago volunteered their time — and muscles — to spread some 120 yards of Fibar (engineered wood fiber) across the playground area of Unity Park. Visit [www.bonaresponds.org](http://www.bonaresponds.org) to learn more about the service day projects, including photos taken by volunteers as well as special audio recordings using VoiceQuilt.

### Franciscan Institute suspends enrollment for MA during academic year, embarks on planning process

St. Bonaventure's School of Franciscan Studies, the teaching component of the Franciscan Institute, has suspended new enrollments in the master of arts program taught during the academic year.

The summer session, which features master's degree offerings in addition to an Advanced Certificate Program and general orientation courses, will continue to be offered. Students already enrolled in the master's program will be able to complete their degrees.

Faculty in the school and Franciscan Institute concluded through program assessment that the M.A. in Franciscan

Studies was not generating enough enrollment to be viable beyond the 2010-2011 academic year.

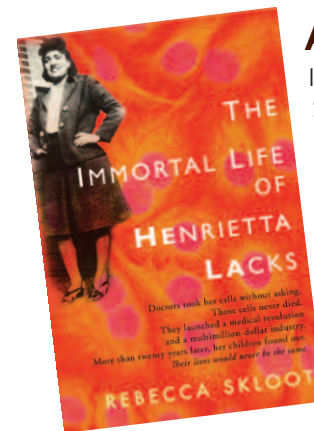
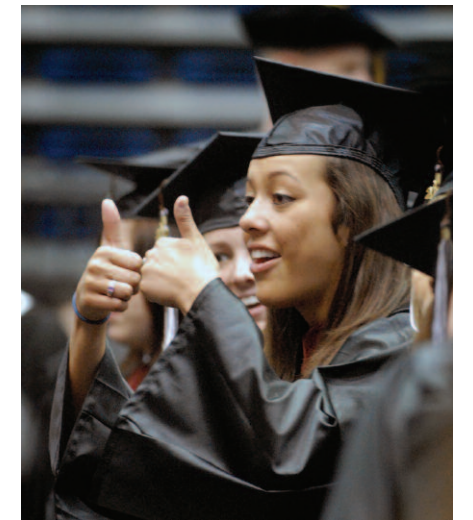
"This period through the end of the 2011 academic year will allow time to plan for the teaching program's future," said Sr. Margaret Carney, O.S.F., S.T.D., university president and former director of the Institute. "The Institute remains a vital and critical resource for Franciscan scholarship and we have no intentions of abandoning that commitment. Our Board of Trustees joins me in assuring members of the Franciscan order that this commitment is not subject to cancellation."



### Celebrating the Class of 2010

"There are endless opportunities to make a difference," Deb Henretta told more than 600 graduates at the University's 150th Commencement Exercises May 16. Henretta, '83, is head of Procter & Gamble's \$14 billion retail business in Asia.

In the upper left photo, University President Sr. Margaret Carney, O.S.F., S.T.D., (left) and Board of Trustees Chair John R. "Jack" McGinley (right) are pictured with honorary degree recipients Marianne Letro Laine, '68, '70, Erick Laine, and Henretta. Twelve of the undergraduates received honors degrees. For the full text of Henretta's speech, a slideshow and additional Commencement coverage, visit <http://tinyurl.com/SBUCommencement>.



### Alumni: Join the 2010 All Bonaventure Reads book discussions

Incoming students at St. Bonaventure will soon be delving into the 2010 All Bonaventure Reads selection, "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks" — and you're invited to join them.

"We would love to have our alumni join the St. Bonaventure community in reading 'The Immortal Life.' This book speaks to many themes — medical ethics, scientific research, the experience of African Americans in the second half of the 20th century, the availability and cost of health care. Importantly,

the book speaks to the Franciscan values underlying an SBU education, and we believe that the students in the Class of 2014 will have a rich opportunity to discuss those values as they discuss the book in classes this fall," said Dr. Nancy Casey, director of the First-Year Experience program.

"We are planning programming during the fall semester that will enrich the experience of reading the book and would love to include alumni presenters in the calendar of events," added Casey.

Alumni who are willing to share their area of expertise in a classroom or lecture setting are invited to let us know by filling out an online form at Bona's Online, [www.sbu.edu/alumni](http://www.sbu.edu/alumni).

Skloot will visit campus Sept. 29 for a 7 p.m. program in the Reilly Center Arena. Her talk is free and open to the public.

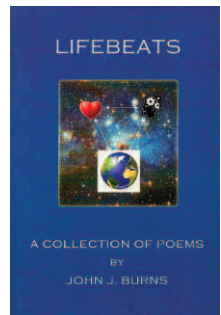
#### About the book

Born in 1920 in Clover, Va., Lacks was a poor tobacco farmer who worked the same land as her slave ancestors. In 1951, she developed a strangely aggressive cancer, and doctors at Johns Hopkins Hospital took a tissue sample without her knowledge. She died without knowing that her cells would become immortal — the first to grow and survive indefinitely in culture.

HeLa cells, as they are called, were essential to developing the polio vaccine. They have aided in the development of in-vitro fertilization, cloning, and gene mapping.

## Off the Shelf

**John Burns's** book of poems, "Lifebeats," was published in March. The book contains more than 140 poems that collectively portray his passions in life.

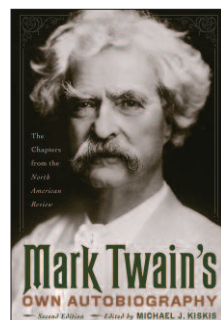


"The title 'Lifebeats' is an acronym I created to organize my poems within the following chapters: Love, Inspiration, Family, Education, Beauty, Episodes, Army, Travel, Sports. The poems, based on my life experiences, work to reveal my passions," said Burns, a 1965 biology graduate.

Now fully retired, Burns spends much of his time enjoying his five grandchildren, cycling many miles with friends, traveling the world to satisfy his thirst for and better understanding of history and cultures, working out in the gym, watching sports, tending to his spiritual needs, leisure learning, and attending theatre.

"I have many passions. Pursuing them truly fuels my life — one into which the Good Lord has infused blessings that have clearly filled my treasure chest. My time at St. Bonnies were great years that served to grow and strengthen my persona. My current love for poetry indeed might have been seeded by the English Lit course I completed while at SBU," said Burns.

**Dr. Michael J. Kiskis, '76**, is editor of a new edition of "Mark Twain's Own Autobiography: The Chapters of the North American Review," (Madison: University of Wisconsin Press). For this second edition,



Kiskis's introduction references a wealth of critical work done on Twain since 1990.

He also adds a discussion of literary domesticity, locating the autobiography within the history of

Twain's literary work and within Twain's own understanding and experience of domestic concerns.

"Mark Twain's Own Autobiography" is the last of Twain's writings and tells the story of his life in his own way. Twain published 25 "Chapters of My Autobiography" in the North American Review in 1906 and 1907. This memoir is anchored in the writer's relation to his family — what they meant to him as a husband, father and artist.

Kiskis is also the co-editor of a collection of essays, "Constructing Mark Twain," which was published in 2001 by the University of Missouri Press.

He is the Leonard Tydings Grant Professor of American Literature at Elmira College, where he teaches American literature. He is past president of the Mark Twain Circle of America and of the Northeast Modern Language Association and past editor of Studies in American Humor and Modern Language Studies.

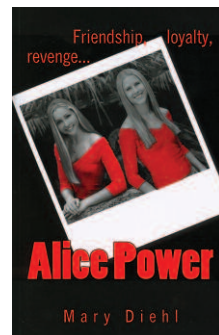
He has been a contributor to American Literary Scholarship and has edited a special issue of American Literary Realism on Mark Twain that was published in 2009.

**Anne Wojtaszek Lee, '76**, and her husband, **Richard Lee, '75**, each contributed to books published this year.

Anne Lee authored 50 of the entries in "The SAGE Glossary of the Social and Behavioral Sciences," a reference book that defines the major terms needed to achieve fluency in the social and behavioral sciences. Rich Lee contributed a chapter to "War and the Media, Essays on News Reporting, Propaganda and Popular Culture."

His chapter, "Protest Music as Alternative Media During the Vietnam War Era," suggests that protest music filled a void during the 1960s by providing information and raising issues that were absent from the mainstream news outlets that dominated the media landscape at the time.

**Mary Diehl, '77**, has published her book "Alice Power," available from amazon.com.



Photos reveal all . . . or do they? Deception, betrayal, rumors, and revenge all combine for a rollercoaster ride of high school intrigue. During one fateful week in 1970, best friends Marsha Murison and Amy

Bradley find themselves victims of a deception skillfully organized by three senior football players.

Set to the backdrop of popular rock-and-roll lyrics heard during that era, the two 14-year-old girls — gifted with similar physical traits — test the limits of their loyalty to one another, all the while learning to appreciate how Alice, a "special" friend, has universal significance and special power for all women.

Diehl lives in the Santa Cruz Mountains located in Northern California.

An editing textbook, "Think Like an Editor: 50 Strategies for the Print and Digital World," written by **Emilie (DeLorenzo) Davis, '79**, and her husband, Steve, has been published by Cengage Learning. The Davises have an accompanying blog at thinklikeaneditor.net.

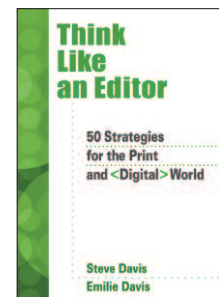
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the same time news and information sharing is changing. The book encourages students to apply themselves confidently, to think analytically, to examine information with scrutiny, and to see the big picture.



Davis teaches editing at Syracuse University's S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications. She also teaches news writing and reporting to graduate students majoring in magazine-newspaper-online or public relations.

Davis is the former copy desk chief of Gannett News Service, the national news wire that serves Gannett Co. Inc.'s newspapers.

**Mike Vaccaro, '89**, whose day job is as a sports columnist for the New York Post, had his third book published last October.

"The First Fall Classic" is a narrative of the 1912 World Series between the New York Giants (managed by John J. McGraw, who attended SBU from 1892-95) and the Boston Red Sox, and it is widely considered to be the matchup that vaulted the Series from a small autumn affair of regional interest into the national spectacle it's become today.

In the book, Vaccaro details each of the eight games (one of which ended in a tie), and also ties in a variety of news events that occurred simultaneously to give a flavor and context of the times — from a trial of the century that shared the front pages of all 14 New York City newspapers to the attempted assassination of presidential candidate Theodore Roosevelt, which added an unwelcome jolt of perspective to the proceedings.

The book also presents the possibility that one or more of the games may not have been exactly played on the level, foreshad-

owing the Black Sox scandal of 1919 that nearly destroyed the sport.

The Washington Post raved: "The focus belongs on Vaccaro, who has written a smart, lively account of the series that goes beyond the games themselves — though his accounts of all of them are vivid — to show how what happened during that series reflected what was happening in the nation."



"The First Fall Classic" is published by Doubleday, which also put out Vaccaro's first two books, "Emperors and Idiots," a history of the Yankees-Red Sox rivalry, and "1941: The Greatest Year in Sports."

**Chris Mackowski**, an associate professor of journalism and mass communication at St. Bonaventure, has published a new book on one of the bloodiest battles of the American Civil War. "The Dark, Close Wood: The Wilderness, Ellwood, and the

## Off the Shelf

Battle that Redefined Both" tells the story of the Battle of the Wilderness, which took place May 5-7, 1864, in central Virginia's Spotsylvania County. The area was known as The Wilderness because it was sparsely settled and largely untamed.

"The Battle of the Wilderness was particularly important because it was the first engagement between legendary Confederate General Robert E. Lee and the new commander of all Union armies, Lt. General Ulysses S. Grant," Mackowski explains.

"In the Wilderness, the two armies fought each other to a standstill, but instead of retreating as all of his predecessors did, Grant found a way to push forward. He wanted to turn the Civil War into a war of attrition because he knew the South had fewer men and resources."

Mackowski also created five maps for the book, and he took a number of the modern-day photos featured in it. The book also includes dozens of wartime photos. "The Dark, Close Wood" is available from Thomas Publications, a leading publisher of Civil War books.

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## Alumni pass on important SBU traditions

By Matthew J. Tornambe, CFRE  
Associate Vice President for Advancement

As I sit here in my office in Francis Hall on one of the most beautiful college campuses in the country, I'm thinking of the word of the day. That word is tradition.



Tradition is a very important part of St. Bonaventure University. Our alumni have passed on the tradition of the University in many ways.

There is a high percentage of alumni who have family connections to the University — fathers, mothers, children, aunts and uncles.

The tradition extends to others; it might be a parish priest, neighbor, or business associate who encouraged you to attend St. Bonaventure.

Don't think for one minute that this tradition is lost in our everyday work in support of the University. Tradition is why we strive to reach the Bonaventure Fund goal each year and to provide support for special projects. Tradition is why alumni support the University.

Tradition is alive and well at St. Bonaventure. Every year our graduates move on to careers and further study. They take with them the Franciscan tradition and its values.

We hope they will also take with them the tradition of philanthropy so deeply rooted here at St. Bonaventure.

Thank you for all you do for St. Bonaventure and thank you for the many blessings you share with your University.

## Quick family endowment honors Fr. McCaffrey, challenges Bonnies

By Susan Anderson

As manager of the men's basketball team during his college career at Bona's, Leslie C. Quick III, class of 1975, not only learned the value of intercollegiate athletics, but also found a mentor and lifelong friend in a friar who rarely missed an athletic event.



Today, Quick and his family have pledged \$400,000 to establish the Fr. Gerald McCaffrey, O.F.M. Endowment at St. Bonaventure.

Through the endowment, the Quick family offers a friendly challenge to alumni and friends of the University to commit to creating a stronger student-athlete experience by giving, in addition to their annual support to St. Bonaventure, whatever they can to athletics — this year and beyond.

"At the heart of the Quicks' stunning generosity is a core of unfailing commitment to not only the future of this institution but to that of every student-athlete who competes on our campus," said Sr. Margaret Carney, O.S.F., S.T.D., president of the University.

"An endowed challenge gift of this magnitude is the kind of support necessary to sustain a robust Division I athletics program such as St. Bonaventure's," she said.

By creating an endowment, the Quick family has fashioned a permanent source of support that will aid Bona's athletics program in perpetuity, Sr. Margaret explained.

*"I was totally surprised by this, and it's a wonderful surprise. I have known Les (Quick) for a long time and he's tremendous at everything he does. The athletics program has really expanded over my time (at the University) and it's a big part of all the great things at St. Bonaventure. I think that we all may take athletics for granted a little, and maybe our alums have not supported St. Bonaventure as well as we could, so I hope that this gift inspires people."*

— Fr. Gerald McCaffrey, O.F.M.

Endowment gifts, such as the \$400,000 pledged by Quick and his family, are invested by the University. The Board policy is to allocate 5 percent of the earnings each year from the endowment.

The endowment will serve as a lasting tribute to Fr. Gerald, a 1954 SBU graduate who celebrated 50 years in the priesthood in 2008; he now lives at St. Anthony's Friary in Butler, N.J.

Nearly 30 of those years were spent at St. Bonaventure, where Fr. Gerald served as the University's vice president of student affairs, athletics department chaplain, moderator of athletics, and math professor. He was for many student-athletes the Franciscan heart and face of the University.



Leslie C. Quick III, '75, (center) is joined in the Reilly Center Arena by men's basketball head coach Mark Schmidt (left) and forward Andrew Nicholson, who turned in one of the best freshman campaigns in program history.

"Our family wanted to make a gift that not only paid tribute to Fr. Gerald's impact in my life, but also helped to ensure that intercollegiate athletics continue to be a major part of the Bonaventure experience," said Quick, a founding partner of Massey, Quick & Co., LLC, a wealth management firm in Morristown, N.J., and a University trustee.

"We are grateful to Les Quick and his family for this incredibly generous and significant gift," said Director of Athletics Steve Watson. "The endowment will benefit our whole athletics program and specifically the men's basketball team, and will provide opportunities not just for our current student-athletes but for all future Bonnies."

The Quick family gift is the second largest in SBU athletic history. In 2006, the University dedicated the Fred Handler Park at McGraw-Jennings Field, made possible by a \$900,000 gift from University trustee Thomas Marra, class of 1980.

"On behalf of the entire men's basketball program, I want to express our thanks to the Quick family," men's basketball coach Mark Schmidt said. "As we continue to build the program, this endowment will allow us to do some things that we otherwise may not have been able to do."

The Quick family's legacy of giving spans several generations. Quick and his family continue to support many of the

charities his parents, Leslie C. Quick Jr. and Regina A. (Clarkson) Quick, who passed away in 2001 and 2006 respectively, supported during their life together.

Leslie Quick III and his wife, Eileen, have been major benefactors to the University including a gift to fund the Regina A. Quick Center for the Arts in honor of his mother, two \$1 million endowments for faculty development, and other major gifts.

Quick has served more than 20 years on St. Bonaventure University's Board of Trustees, including six years as vice chair and two years as chair. Besides his board service, Quick has given of his time to the University's National Alumni Board and Annual Fund.

Most recently, he served as chair of the University's 150th Anniversary Campaign, which successfully concluded this past year. He is now a member of the steering committee for the School of Business Campaign.

"It's really exciting to see the passion that Les Quick and his family have for St. Bonaventure," Schmidt said. "We're incredibly grateful for that, and hope this challenge paves the way for all Bonnies to invest in our athletics program."

(Susan Anderson, [sanderso@sbu.edu](mailto:sanderso@sbu.edu), is director of Fundraising Communications at St. Bonaventure.)



### Take the Challenge

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— **Fr. Michael D. Calabria, O.F.M.**  
Lecturer, Arab & Islamic Studies  
Department of Modern Languages

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— **Marissa Sangiacomo, '11**

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— **Michael Chiponis, '11**  
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# Pursuing their Passions

We asked SBU alums to tell us what they're passionate about — and they didn't disappoint. They opened their hearts (and captured ours), sharing stories steeped in courage, compassion and bold innovation. Clearly, St. Bonaventure alumni are living out loud and loving every minute of it. From the waters of Nantucket Sound to the railways of the Pacific coast, and many points in between, here is a sampling of their stories.

## A Passion for SPEED



Photo by David Scavone

By Beth Eberth

**J**ennifer (Lindow) Eskin, '98, admits that she was not an athlete in high school or college. The Quiz Bowl team was more her pace. (And she doesn't count the pickup softball games with the BV staff or intramural bowling.)

But for the past four years she has pursued a passion for speed as a DC Rollergirl in Washington, D.C.'s roller derby league.

Eskin has always had a love for roller skating. Sporting Fisher-Price skates at the age of 4, she recalls whizzing around her local roller rink.

"As a kid I loved going really, really fast and dodging people," Eskin said. As an adult, she discovered skating was much more fun than going to the gym a few nights a week.

"I like the speed. I like to go as fast as I humanly can," she said.

The D.C. derby league was truly a grassroots effort that grew from the enthusiasm of a few women who enjoyed open skate night at a Manassas, Va., rink.



"I like the speed. I like to go as fast as I humanly can."

Jennifer (Lindow) Eskin

Photo by James Calder

Jennifer (Lindow) Eskin, '98, (above, in red) is a member of the DC DemonCats team. She is jamming against Scare Force One's Lois Slain. In the lower left photo (center), she's pictured as a blocker, ready to start a jam during the 2009 Championship Bout against the Cherry Blossom Bombshells.

In 2006, a group of young women in the Washington, D.C., area decided to form a roller derby league.

Eskin was one of the league's original skaters. They started recruiting in January 2006 and had their first season the following spring.

Suited up with helmets, padding and mouth guards, they practiced relentlessly wherever they could — parking garages, community centers and an indoor sports complex.

"We held multiple fundraisers, formed a functioning non-profit organization, courted sponsors, and wooed the press," Eskin explained.

The results, she says, speak for themselves.

The DC Rollergirls have completed four home seasons of inner-league play before ever-increasing audiences. Their most recent bouts were attended by more than 2,000 fans at the historic D.C. Armory.

The DC Rollergirls league consists of three teams — The DC DemonCats, Cherry Blossom Bombshells and Scare Force One. The teams compete during a local season, then the league sports an all-star team that competes along the East Coast. The DC All-Stars are ranked 10th in the East by the Women's Flat Track Derby Association and regularly take on other teams from the U.S. and Canada.

Rollergirls play under quirky names, and Eskin is no different.

As Blonde Fury, Eskin jammed her way through three seasons with the DC DemonCats, and proudly helped her team take home last season's DC Rollergirls League championship trophy. She was selected to represent DC as an all-star, and was her team's MVP during a tournament bout last summer against Cleveland.

As an undergrad, Eskin worked tirelessly on the BV, holding positions such as features and copy desk edi-

### Understanding a Roller Derby Bout:

- Each roller derby game, called a bout, is composed of 60 minutes of play divided into two periods of 30 minutes played between two teams. A play is called a jam and lasts up to 2 minutes.
- Each team will have about 14 skaters on its bench.
- Each team puts five skaters on the track: four are the blockers and behind them is the jammer.
- The blockers from both teams skate together in a "pack," while the jammer must get through the pack. Blockers protect their team's jammer while impeding the opposing jammer.
- If a jammer is the first to get through the pack without any penalty, she's known as the lead jammer and can call off the play to prevent her opponent from scoring.
- For every opposing player the jammer laps, her team earns a point. The team with the most points at the end of the bout wins.

tors. A visual arts and English double-major, paired with an internship at The Regina A. Quick Center for the Arts her senior year, Eskin said she learned a lot about public relations and the mechanisms for working with the press.

This served her well in her role as media relations chair of the DC RollerGirls organization.

"I wrote releases, created press kits, facilitated interviews, and worked with reporters and photographers on bout day to ensure they got what they needed and our league was consistently represented in the best light. During my three seasons in this position, the DC

RollerGirls were featured by prominent media such as the Washington Post, the Washington Times, and WTOP radio, as well as Washington's FOX, ABC, and CBS affiliate television stations," she said.

"I've always been proud of the media exposure we've received. We've tried hard to stress that this is a sport. It's not fake. This is all very real; we have skill requirements and training. A lot of hard work and athleticism goes into it. Everyone is trained. No one plays without



Photo by David Scavone  
*The DemonCats won the DC RollerGirls League Championship trophy last year when Eskin played, and again in April when she served as Jammer Coach.*

passing a battery of tests," she said.

Eskin went to Carnegie Mellon for grad school and now works in the Partnership Division of the National Endowment for the Arts in D.C.

Colleagues from work and her other hobby — playing guitar in her church choir — are "definitely surprised" when they learn she's a roller derby player.

That's one of the reasons she loves the sport. Everyone — regardless of age, body size or occupation — can find a niche.

"We have stay-at-home mothers, teachers, military personnel, federal employees, artists, psychologists, archivists and bakers," said Eskin.

The sometimes saucy names and outfits are just part of the skaters' alter egos. "It's a chance to express their individuality and express a persona they don't get to in everyday life," she said.

Eskin's appearance in the East Coast

### More about roller derby:

**wftda.com**  
Women's Flat Track Derby Association

**www.dcrollergirls.com**  
D.C.'s women's flat track roller derby league

**www.bloodandthundermag.com**  
Blood and Thunder Magazine

**www.derbynewsnetwork.com**  
Derby News Network

Derby Extravaganza tournament last June was her last as a skater — for now. As a new-mom-to-be, she's hung up her skates and picked up a clipboard, coaching the DemonCats to their next championship appearance.

Roller derby remains her passion. Her baby already has a T-shirt testifying, "My Mom Skates Faster Than Your Mom" as well as a roller derby name — "Bald Fury."

*(Beth Eberth, beberth@sbu.edu, is director of University Communications at St. Bonaventure.)*



### A Passion for HISTORY

**Robert Holzweiss**  
Bryan, Texas  
Class of 1990  
Major: History

While attending St. Bonaventure, I pursued my passion for history under the direction of a number of outstanding faculty members including professor (now Professor Emeritus) Edward Eckert.

After graduating from St. Bonaventure in 1990, I attended graduate school at Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas. In 1996, after completing my MA in history and my doctoral course work, I was hired by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) to work at the George H.W. Bush Presidential Library, then under construction on the Texas A&M campus.

In 2004, I became the supervisory archivist charged with managing the archival legacy of President George H.W. Bush, Vice President Dan Quayle and a number of political and business leaders.

The Bush Library archives contains approximately 44,000,000 pages of records, 2,000,000 still photographs and 10,000 videos. I supervise a staff of 17 professionals who provide these

George H.W. Bush Presidential Library  
[bushlibrary.tamu.edu/](http://bushlibrary.tamu.edu/)



items to our researchers.

After completing my Ph.D. in 2001, I began teaching history in the evenings as an adjunct faculty member in the Texas A&M History Department.

During November 2008, the Texas A&M College of Agrilife Science asked me to develop the online digital archives of Nobel Laureate (and A&M faculty member) Norman E. Borlaug. I have a staff of five and work closely with Dr. Borlaug's family (he passed away in October 2009) who are very supportive of the archives project.

In May 2010, I assumed the presidency of the Railway & Locomotive Historical Society (R&LHS), the oldest railroad history organization in the United States.

The R&LHS has an operating budget of \$120,000 per year and 2,100 members on four continents. Twice a year the R&LHS publishes *Railroad History*, the leading journal of railroad history in the United States.

In my free time I continue my personal research with the goal of publishing my dissertation. I have a wife of 10 years and two boys ages 7 and 5 who are the joy of my life. Happily, they encourage me to pursue my passion, a passion that was developed during my time at St. Bonaventure.



All photos courtesy of the George H.W. Bush Presidential Library

*Clockwise, from upper left: An exterior view of the George H.W. Bush Presidential Library; Robert Holzweiss in the main stack (storage) area; and President Bush in the cab of the Union Pacific 4141 locomotive during the dedication ceremony for the locomotive. In 2005-2006, Holzweiss coordinated a large railroad exhibit at the Bush Library and Union Pacific was the main sponsor. The special locomotive paint scheme and number were Holzweiss's idea.*

Even today, almost 20 years since I graduated from St. Bonaventure, I believe it was a privilege to attend such a fine institution with faculty who encouraged me to pursue my passion for history.

I met many fine people while at St. Bonaventure and hope my sons will consider SBU for their college education.



Photo by James Calder  
*The DC DemonCats discuss strategy during a bout halftime.*

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"Nearly every day I am lucky enough to see how art changes lives."

▣ Rebecca Campana, '03



"... Through the military (which started with ROTC), I got the travel bug, traveling to places I wanted to see — and a few I didn't!"

▣ Gerard Monaghan, '67



"I am pursuing my passion for locally grown and locally produced food and locally owned restaurants by writing and taking photos for my food blog, Eat First."

▣ Margaret McCormick, '81

## A Passion for FILM



Photo courtesy of Donna Abbott Vlahos and The Business Review  
 Mike Camoin has a passion for pursuing independent motion pictures. His current project, "Grazing Miss Albany," is "a family feud over faith and food." He is pictured in front of the Miss Albany diner in Albany, N.Y., which was the setting for a screen test for the film.

**Mike Camoin**  
**Albany, N.Y.**  
**Class of 1988**  
**Major/Minor: English/Business**

**M**y passion is pursuing independent motion pictures. Eighteen years later and I'm still doing this — and I rarely ever look at the clock other than to see how much time is left in the day. I run my own company, Videos For Change Productions, creating original content designed to reach a global audience.

My passion began in 1992, with a video camcorder, a woodsman as my first documentary subject and a dream to make independent film. It took six years to finish "Inside the Blue Line," my first documentary. I was told the average is seven years.

In 1995, I created a network for independent media artists in Albany, N.Y., called Upstate Independents, Inc. Now home to over 200 active members (and over 600 on Facebook), members come from four different states to attend monthly meetings, network, learn and promote their work. Developing a community of support has been vital living outside New York City or Hollywood.

At present, I'm writing, producing and directing a motion picture called "Grazing Miss Albany," which is loosely based on the lives of St. Francis



When everything has gone south, people have historically looked to the movies for direction. The images above are from a screen test of Mike Camoin's "Grazing Miss Albany."

Photos courtesy of Grazing, LLC

and Clare — a modern day tale that asks the question "what would Francis and Clare do today in light of all that is going on in today's society?"

Here's a brief synopsis ... Seen through the eyes of a teenage girl, "Grazing Miss Albany" is the story of Patrick, the troubled owner of a family diner, and his longtime girlfriend, Emma, as they fight to hold onto their family business. The couple's future teeters on the actions of Patrick's estranged brother, Francis, a priest suffering a crisis of faith. Meanwhile, Emma's teenage daughter, Zoe Clare, seemingly holds the key to the diner's fate.

"Grazing" is definitely my passion. I'm mostly self-taught yet somehow the project has already attracted the attention of Hollywood, an international distributor and Franciscan communities and faith-based production companies across the U.S.

I'm in post-production on a documentary surrounding social-justice called "An American Life: The Journey from Violence to Hope," which features David Kaczynski who identified his brother, Ted, as the notorious Unabomber. We're in discussions with a UK firm to distribute the program internationally.

Another documentary project in development is an environmental history of Adirondack fire towers titled "From the Mountaintop," which looks at the role of man-made structures inside the world's largest forest preserve. "Mountaintop" looks at how man has always been a part of wilderness and whether it's possible to continue to live in balance with our natural surroundings.

These projects often take years — and lots of passion. It's really a miracle when things come together. At the moment, I can't envision doing anything else.

I'm actually quite surprised by the connection between my passion and my Franciscan roots.

Since my first film, "Inside the Blue Line," I've had a desire to connect with people and the environment. I would say there also is a recurring theme of "brotherhood" that runs consistently throughout my work.

While a student and years after graduating from St. Bonaventure, I spent time off-campus at Mount Irenaeus learning more about living in community with Franciscan Friars and fellow students. I think this experience tremendously shaped how I approach things and what I'm involved in today.

I'm very fortunate to have had that life experience, which influenced creating the model for the filmmakers' network. In a highly competitive industry where few share their ideas, the network has demonstrated time and again that supporting others can better your community.

Certainly, the generosity of the Franciscan community and the simple desire to stay connected with others long after graduation helps fuel my passion.

**"The generosity of the Franciscan community and the simple desire to stay connected with others long after graduation helps fuel my passion."**

Mike Camoin

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Check out the test scene of "Grazing Miss Albany" on Facebook.com  
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View a video link to "An American Life"  
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## A Passion for TRAINS

**Roy J. Wulich II, CPA**  
**Santa Clara, Calif.**  
**Class of 1988**  
**Major: Accounting**



Like many people, my interest with trains began with a Lionel train set around the Christmas tree. But throughout my life and despite being older now, I still play with trains!

My train is not a model but a real train — yes, a full-size train — all 85 feet of shiny stainless steel and several hundred thousand pounds of it.

I am the owner of Rail Journeys West Inc. — a luxury private rail travel company that provides various passenger rail management and consulting services. The company owns the former California Zephyr dome-observation car “Silver Solarium” — one of only six cars like it and the only one restored and operational. Originally built in 1948 for the

Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad, the car operated on the famed California Zephyr between Chicago and Oakland, Calif., as the first-class lounge and observation car for the Pullman passengers.

The car has been faithfully restored while simultaneously being updated for many modern conveniences both operationally and safety wise. The car maintains the historic look and nostalgic feel all the way down to the details from the swizzle stick in your drink, to the custom monogrammed china and white damask linens.

The car is available for private charter and typically operates behind Amtrak trains on the national rail network. In essence, it is like taking a cruise, but on land. The 360-degree view from the glass-enclosed dome is spectacular.

While onboard, you are treated to premium beverages, freshly prepared gourmet meals by a chef and catered to by your own steward.

In addition to charters, the car is also operated on several “public” trips a year when passengers not desiring to charter the whole car may purchase tickets and travel on some of the more popular routes that the car travels.

While at St. Bonaventure, I worked as a volunteer with the Western New York Railway Historical Society in Buffalo, N.Y., with historic railcar preservation and excursion operations.

I have continued working with various excursion, charter and special trains; historical preservation projects; as well as various roles in both museum and operations management. I am also a contractor to several Class One railroads.

My education and business background continue to help as I have served and continue to serve on the boards of several non-profit organizations and railroad preservation organizations.

I have also held various management positions at several international companies, including Intel Corporation, KPMG and Pricewaterhouse prior to making my lifelong passion and hobby of railroading a full-time job. In addition, I serve as president of the Railroad Passenger Car Alliance, a national trade organization of more than 450 members, including Class One railroads, car owners, suppliers and industry professionals.

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The Silver Solarium was built in 1948 and operated on the famed California Zephyr between Chicago and Oakland, Calif.

## A Passion for PRODUCTION

**Christine (Lee-Sang) Brockel**  
**Spring Hill, Fla.**  
**Class of 1993**  
**Major: Philosophy/Pre-law**

I am passionate about production/manufacturing. This may sound as out of place as someone saying “I love widgets.”

I have been blessed to become a production supervisor at Accuform signs, in Brooksville, Fla. I have worked in various capacities, at three other production facilities: Dresser Industries, Kendall/Amalie, and Cutco Cutlery. When my husband and I moved to Florida, I didn’t figure I would re-enter that environment. Florida is not known for its manufacturing industry, especially not in rural areas, which is where I live.

When I started my job hunt I fell back on my business/finance experience. I applied to banks, school districts, builders, county operations. These led to interviews but no promising offers.

A while into my search I saw a Web posting for a position at Accuform Signs, as a “product specialist.” This person develops copy for industrial catalogs.

I applied and interviewed. The extensive interview allowed me to get a good sense of the operation of this company. Just being in that environment after so long was invigorating.

I called my mother after the interview and told her that I thought it had gone well and had convinced me of which direction I needed to follow on my quest.

She said, “Don’t limit your options,” but efforts to enter other fields were not going to allow me to follow the



Christine (Lee-Sang) Brockel is pictured outside her Accuform office in Florida. She credits her SBU philosophy studies with allowing her to hone her critical thinking skills and ability to negotiate, “which helps me every day when I am dealing with my employees and co-workers.”

path I wanted to take. Did all those other interviewers see that? I thought I had interviewed well at those also.

The day after my interview I received a call back. I didn’t get the job, but I was offered another position, as an expeditor, a position that in the past had only been filled internally.

This was a compliment. They had faith, supported by my experience and enthusiasm, that I would be able to learn their systems, culture, etc., quickly. Seven months later I was offered my current position.

I believe that a successful economy needs a strong manufacturing base and I am doing my best to promote that.

Sure I have challenging days, where I am more social worker than leader, days where quotas are not met, days where what looked good on paper just won’t work in the real world and needs to be

overhauled. But these experiences manage to serve as continuing education.

I am writing this to especially encourage alumni who may be:

- looking for employment. Keep trying, you will find where you belong.
- looking to change direction. Maybe you don’t need to change your employer, but develop new skills to assume a different position at your current employer; contact your HR director.

And to those who think “my passion is not the stuff of legend,” passion can be found on Main Street, in a science lab, on a mission trip to Brazil, in outer space, or simply on the production floor.

## A Passion for TEACHING



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Above, John Greene is pictured in a classroom at Cazenovia College.

**John Robert Greene**  
**Chittenango, N.Y.**  
**Class of 1977 and 1978**  
**Majors: History/History**

**M**y passion was discovered at Bona's — I have pursued it for 31 years. Phil Eberl, an education professor at the time, saw something in me and suggested that pre-law, my goal at the time, wasn't really for me.

He arranged to have me substitute teach one class — just one day — at Allegany High School. He drove me there, stayed until I was done, and took me to the Rathskeller for dinner afterwards. He knew I would be hooked, and I was. The next day I talked to the four men I respected most in the world — history professors Nick Amato, Pete Marron, Pat O'Dea, and Lou Leotta — and sought their advice.

Each of them said that Prof. Eberl was right. I changed my major as a second semester JUNIOR and never looked back.

With the help of Prof. Eberl and Prof. Marron, I was able to get my secondary teaching certification in one year. I was on to something and decided to stay at Bona's for my master's. Dr. O'Dea took the ultimate chance on me and hired me with just a B.A. to teach a section of Western Civilization as a graduate teaching assistant. I got my one and only job one month after my 1978 graduation with my master's, as a history professor at Cazenovia College.



At left: Greene and history professor Nicholas J. Amato at the Senior Awards Banquet in May 1977. At right: Greene at Peter Marron's 1979 retirement party at the Castle Restaurant.

Teaching is primary at Caz, as it was — and continues to be — at Bona's. I have pursued my passion since Prof. Eberl helped me to find it in 1976 ... I am a teacher made at Bona's, and I couldn't be prouder.

**Anthony Coccia**  
**Rome, N.Y.**  
**Class of 2008 and 2009**  
**Majors: Elementary Education/  
 Early Childhood Education**

**A**fter student teaching in Grand Bahama Island, I fell in love with the culture, the people, and the school system. I knew that I wanted to become a full-time teacher for a school in the Bahamas.

Once I completed my student teaching, one of the schools in the Bahamas asked me to apply for a teaching position. The principal knew that there were going to be a couple of openings starting in the upcoming fall semester and she was pleased with my skills and abilities in the classroom.

This was a dream come true. I was thrilled to have a chance of being able to teach in the Bahamas. However, I felt that my education career was not complete.

I was caught between two choices: apply for the job in the Bahamas and pray that I was hired, or continue my education and earn my master's degree at St.



A Bahamian student is pictured in class.

Bonaventure. I chose to continue my education.

As I was continuing my degree, I was informed that this one particular school in the Bahamas had filled the open teaching positions. The principal of the school mentioned that she did not believe a position would open by the time I graduated.

During this time I started to regret my decision. Even though a teaching posi-

tion would not open for the following fall semester, I completed and submitted an application to be placed on file.

Months went on and I graduated with my master's degree in December of 2009. In January, I received a call from the school in the Bahamas to inform me that a few teaching positions have opened up for the fall semester. A few weeks later, I interviewed with the school.

Come August, I will leave my hometown of Rome, N.Y., and move to Freeport, Grand Bahama Island, to become a faculty member of Bishop Michael Eldon School.

I am very excited, nervous and blessed to be given this opportunity. I know that if it were not for Dr. Todd Palmer, Dr. Peggy Burke, and the faculty and staff of the School of Education at St. Bonaventure University, I would never have had this opportunity to pursue my passion. For this, I am forever grateful.

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"Life begins precisely at 56 years, 9 days and 18 hours."

▣ Mary D'Elia Hickey, '69



"Goddess"

"I paint to express an emotional landscape or moment."

▣ Sarah Schummer, '06



"Those of us who have been in the communications field for a while know passion and perseverance are essential to success."

▣ Kathleen (Whalen) Van De Loo, '87



"The Franciscans at St. Bonaventure ignited a passion for science, simple living, and service. This passion touches on every aspect of my life — professional and personal."

▣ Michael Miehle, '98

"Even though I try to get my students and my own children to excel at academics, I truly believe that my real goal is to help them to understand God's plan for their lives in the bigger picture."

▣ Madonna Wojtaszek-Healy, '77



"Since I was a kid ... my passion has been playing ice hockey, but I never dreamed I would still be playing three days a week at my age (66)."

▣ Marv Stocker, '65

## A Passion for SAILING

**Bob Rice**  
Brewster, Mass.  
Class of 1971  
Major: History



*Bob Rice and his wife, Elizabeth, aboard an Eco-cruise in Antigua.*

Fortunately it is not just one passion. I truly enjoyed 35 years of teaching high school history at Nauset Regional in North Eastham, Mass.

For much of that time I also coached varsity athletics, and feel particularly blessed to have been in the vanguard of elevating women's sports to a status equal to men's. That involved some requests for Title IX enforcement when the "old guard" was slow to see the need for change.

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My other passion involves sailing and it is the one that I still fully pursue. In 1983 I

began a sail charter/sail lesson business here on Cape Cod: Cape Sail.

Today it finds me sailing a 35-foot Southern Cross named Sabbatical on the waters of Nantucket Sound. (The boat with which I began the business was named Bonaventure.)

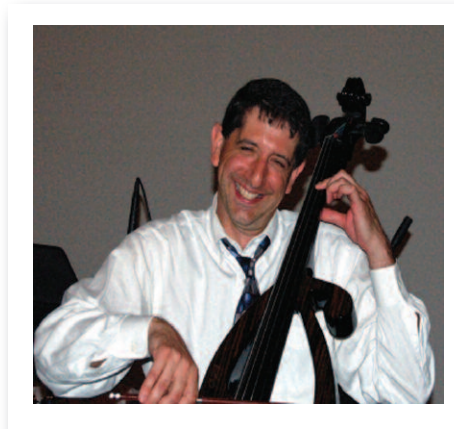
I also have a smaller boat for beginning instruction. One of the opportunities available to me since leaving the classroom is to sail in winter and in 2009 I joined friends for a leisurely Caribbean passage from Puerto Rico to Antigua.



## A Passion for MUSIC

**Frank Squillace**  
Charlottesville, Va.  
Class of 1986  
Major: Chemistry

I started playing cello in my hometown of Syracuse in the second grade. Many years of lessons, concerts and "I don't want to practice" evenings eventually led me straight to Bona's.



*Frank Squillace and his rock 'n' roll cello.*

While attempting to study, I continued to follow my passion of playing my cello by teaming up with fellow classmates Dave Ball and Mike Morrow to form a "coffee-house" trio, entertaining many students and faculty in the various Bonaventure cafes and the Rathskeller.

I carried this pursuit of entertaining publicly to Charlottesville, Va., where I have lived since 1988 and where I started and continue to play "rock 'n' roll" cello in my band, 180.

We play in local establishments as well as for numerous fundraisers, weddings and public events around central Virginia.

Every now and then I am asked to play for our parish's Christmas or Easter Triduum activities. I delight in playing this classical and "church" music as well.

I may be getting older but I still enjoy my passion as the music never gets old.

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## A Passion for FIGHTING (CANCER)

**Leah Shearer**  
Rochester, N.Y.  
Class of 2000  
Major: Journalism and Mass Communication

One of the reasons I chose to attend St. Bonaventure was its clear sense of caring and outreach to the community, that which is evident in its students, faculty and alums. This quality, that first drew me in as a visiting high school senior, remains a central part of my life, but never did it come more into focus than with one haunting word — cancer.

If someone had told me that as a twenty-something I would battle the dreaded "C" word, not once, but twice, I never would have believed it. Yet, I wish someone had told me more about cancer *way back when*.

It turns out that the disease most equate with an older generation is becoming more common among young adults. In fact, there are an estimated 70,000 people diagnosed with cancer between the ages of 15 and 39 in our country each year — and this pocket of survivorship to which I now belong has been largely underserved and unrecognized.

Three years ago on an Internet hunt for my own answers I stumbled upon a website for the advocacy organization

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Leah Shearer



*Leah Shearer is pictured with SBU student Tommy Waters, '11, at a young adult cancer conference sponsored by I'm Too Young For This and The Leukemia Lymphoma Society in Syracuse. Waters, who is also a cancer survivor, served as a panelist with Shearer.*

I'm Too Young For This, or i[2]y. As it would turn out, purpose found me.

Suddenly, I was advocating on behalf of others like myself; many of whom suffer minimal or no health insurance, little age appropriate peer support, and, later stage diagnosis due to being overlooked by an uninformed physician.

After connecting with Matthew Zachary, i[2]y's founder, I formed one of the first chapters of i[2]y in the country in Rochester N.Y., organizing social events for a group of young cancer survivors who (just like myself) felt alone.

In subsequent years, my work as a young adult cancer advocate has taken me many places, from the open spaces of Montana to a global cancer summit in Columbus, Ohio, for the Lance Armstrong Foundation.

I've shared my story with various media outlets and spoken at many events, but my most memorable experience was presenting to the St. Bonaventure community.

Thanks in part to the overwhelming efforts of faculty member Carole McNall and the Student Government Association, I was able to co-present a seminar designed to educate students on cancer awareness.

Since that event almost two years ago I have seen the ripple effect of young adult cancer advocacy spread on campus.

The Bonaventure community stepped up to the plate. Students like Thomas Waters, '11, Sabrina Maddeaux, '10, and Jeff Butler, '09, took on this cause in a way I could have never imagined, raising money and, more importantly, awareness. They inspire me and I find it the ultimate proof that my alma mater continues to be an environment embracing incredible social change and innovation.

*(In addition to her work on behalf of i[2]y, Shearer works at the Norman Howard School in Henrietta, N.Y., and serves as the program coordinator for Melissa's Living Legacy Teen Cancer Foundation.)*



## A Passion for PARTIES

**Julie Ottaway Schmit**  
**Clarence Center, N.Y.**  
**Class of 1982**  
**Major: Mass Communication**

When talking about careers and hobbies, my husband made the comment that I can do anything – when it is something that I am passionate about.

My interpretation of this after 19 years of marriage? He may as well have said, “Wow, you do a terrible job at everything, when your heart isn’t in it.”

He was onto something. When I am emotionally connected, there is no stopping me. And that is why I am thrilled to be starting a charity, The Birthday Squad of Buffalo, Inc. The concept is simple: Help homeless kids celebrate their birthdays. Make a world — if not the world — better. That definitely ignites passion in me.

I have held a lot of jobs, but none that I was passionate about until I started helping children with cancer. It was when I chose passion over money that I found myself to be very happy with how I was spending my time.

But that job was eventually interrupted by the birth (and consequent raising) of my own children. (Luckily, I am quite passionate about them, as well.)

Then last year, a friend who knew I was ready to do something new forwarded me an article about women having birthday parties in Boston for homeless kids. She said, “This sounds like you.”

Thanks to her, homeless kids in Buffalo, N.Y., have already had 12 monthly birthday parties. Every month we serve pizza, cake and ice cream to about 90 residents of a women and children’s shelter in Buffalo. We celebrate the birthdays that month of any children who are staying there. They get gifts (and they also get all giddy), the rest of the kids get goody bags, and there is always entertainment (clowns, magicians, entertainers, caricaturists, etc.) for everybody to enjoy.



*A Buffalo boy plays with a birthday gift thanks to the Birthday Squad.*

It would be impossible not to feel passionate about these parties. The social workers report that the moms and their children look forward to them all month long, and talk about the fun they had for days after the parties.

One mother, whose daughter turned 5, thanked me and said that she never could have done this for any of her three children otherwise. She floored me when she said that the previous year she was unable to even be with any of her children on their birthdays.

The Birthday Squad of Buffalo, Inc., is easy to be passionate about.

I always have some volunteers who are children. After they help serve dinner they enjoy the entertainers along with the residents.

And it is obvious that they are all just kids — kids who have been dealt different hands at this time in their lives. If any one of these kids — the homeless kids or the middle class suburban kids — grows up to help others because of this experience, that will be a wonderful thing.

A 5-year-old boy named Charlie recently donated gifts for the parties because he wanted to help “kids who don’t have a lot of stuffs.” I couldn’t have said it better myself. I am passionate about wanting to help kids who “don’t have a lot of stuffs,” and I always will be.



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## National Alumni Association

### A Message from the National Alumni Association Board President Lynda (Goldstein) Wilhelm, '86

Recently my husband and I discussed the age-old question “Would you quit your job if you won the lottery?”



My answer was pretty easy: I would not quit what I do, but I would no longer worry about getting paid to do it. That’s because for the last 13 years I have been lucky enough to have found a way of getting paid for doing something I am passionate about.

I am also fortunate to serve another passion of mine — working with St. Bona-

venture. Over the years I have had the opportunity to play many roles at Bona’s even though I live several hundred miles from campus.

One of the best things about doing this work, in addition to helping out a place I love, is that I have met hundreds of Bona grads. We all have at least one thing in common and that is a passion for our alma mater. Our stories stay alive through our interactions with each other and many of us build new memories both on and off campus.

Do you still get fired up when you hear something about Bona’s basketball or

meet someone who graduated from Bona’s?

Let’s keep that passion alive.

- Find out when there will be an event in your area.
- Check out the alumni Web page at [alumni.sbu.edu](http://alumni.sbu.edu).
- Add your name to Bona’s Online, the alumni networking tool.
- Make a plan with your friends to attend your next five-year reunion.

There are many ways to give back to St. Bonaventure and they all start with keeping the connection strong. Go Bona’s!

## BonAlumnus Updates

**1943 — Robert C. Fenzl, M.D.**, lives in New Smyrna Beach, Fla., and has retired.

**1952 — Rudolph C. Baldoni, M.D.**, was honored May 14, 2009, at the UCI 39th annual Lauds & Laurels as a distinguished alumnus for his contributions to the community and his university affiliate, UCI School of Medicine. **Norbert Rappl** sold his concrete block manufacturing business in 2000 and retired. Noting he was the first SBU ROTC graduate to attain flag rank, Rappl had a one-year tour in Korea then spent 32 years in the Reserve. He retired as major general, commander of the 98th Division in 1987. One of his “most memorable moments was commissioning my daughter, **Lois (Rappl Morales)**, when she graduated with a BBA in 1982, 30 years to the day after I was commissioned at the same place. I was privileged to be inducted in the first class of the ROTC Hall of Fame and two years ago attended the ceremony when Lois was inducted, the first father offspring team to be so honored.” Morales and her husband, Col. James Morales, have three sons and live in Flower Mound, Texas, near Dallas, where she is a colonel, the G4 of the 75th Army Reserve Division in Houston.

**1958 — Robert E. Nesslin** was promoted

to associate professor in the School of Adult and Graduate Education at Medaille College. He teaches in the MBA and bachelor’s degree programs. He was also re-elected chair of Faculty Council for his sixth term. The council is the liaison between the faculty and other constituents of Medaille College’s three campuses.

**1960 — Sam Stith** and his brother, **Tom Stith, '61**, had their basketball uniform numbers retired by their high school, St. Francis Prep, during a ceremony in Brooklyn.



**1961 — Ernest O’Neil** is in Yemen, where he is serving as Senior Chief of Party with The Academy for Educational Development, Inc. with the Ministry of Education on the United States Agency for International Development’s Basic Education Support and Training (BEST) Project in Yemen. The BEST-Yemen project includes activities such as infrastructure renovation, adult literacy support, teacher professional development, and community participation. Its strategies are intended to improve access to quality education, especially for girls, and increase the supply and retention of qualified female teachers. During the past decade, leadership and teaching positions

have taken O’Neil to the University of Texas System, Jamaica, Ethiopia and Equatorial Guinea.

**1963 — John A. Cirando**, a Syracuse attorney, was appointed to The Commission on Judicial Nomination. The commission, created by a 1977 amendment to the New York State Constitution, is an independent body whose members are appointed by the three branches of government, and are constitutionally charged to evaluate and nominate candidates for vacancies on the New York Court of Appeals.



The commission serves a critical role in New York state government by ensuring that the judges who sit on the Court of Appeals are chosen from among the state’s most highly qualified and accomplished judges, practicing lawyers and legal scholars. Cirando concentrates his practice on appellate advocacy. **Patrick L. Kelley** is interim chief financial officer of Concordia University in Montreal.

**1964 — Myrna Browning Rutkowski** retired from Riverside High School in Painesville, Ohio, in 2004. She taught

## BonAlumnus Updates



### The future of Bona hockey?

The Ramapo Saints PeeWee hockey team has a strong Bonaventure connection. Michael Redgate (No. 21) is the son of **Phil, '88**, and **Trish (Moran) Redgate, '88**; Chris Mazzella (No. 25) is the son of **Michael, '87**, and **Pat Stewart Mazzella, '87**; and Tim Patwell (No. 3) is the son of **Kevin, '88**, and **MaryClaire Attea Patwell, '88**. The boys have become great friends and have played on the Saints together for the past four years.



### Block Island wedding brings together two Bona families

The Fay and Nazzitto families gathered together on Block Island the weekend of Sept. 12, 2009, to celebrate the marriage of Jessica Fay and John Nunnari. Pictured (from left) are **Janet Fay Crawshaw, '85**, **Kate Kuhn Fay, '84**, **Christine Askane Fay, 1970-72**, **George Oberlander**, professor of philosophy from 1970-73, **Joyce Nazzitto Steward, '64**, **Robert Thomas Martin, '72**, **Kathy Wawrzynek Fay, '71**, **F. John Nazzitto, '72**, and **Cornelius R. Fay III, '72**.

English, speech and drama and was the drama director. During her career she received Rotary drama awards, as well as awards for teaching. She is now teaching speech part time at Lakeland Community College. She and her husband have three grown children and three granddaughters. **Lee Coppola**, dean of the Russell J. Jandoli School of Journalism and Mass Communication at St. Bonaventure, served on the Preliminary Jury for the 2010 Catholic Academy's Gabriel Awards, which recognize the best in broadcasting and film that uplifts the human spirit. Daybreak TV in Buffalo has chaired Gabriel judging for the last 15 years.



**1966 — Gerald "Jerry" Sheehan** retired in July 2009. He's been enjoying spending time with his two young grandsons.

**1970 — Thomas H.E. Drinkwater** retired in January from the National Guard Bureau (NGB) headquarters after more than 38 years of combined military and civilian government service. He returned part-time to the same position in March as the NGB acquisition career manager. He and his wife, Eileen, are working on their new house in Fort Valley, Va.

**1972 — Tony Bamonte** and his son Matt participated in the inaugural conference of the National Phenylketonuria Alliance (NPKUA) in support of his 5-year-old grandson who has the genetic disorder PKU. Bamonte encourages alums who know a child or adult dealing with PKU to visit the NPKUA website ([www.npkua.org](http://www.npkua.org)) for help, advice and medical information.

**1973 — Connie (Monteleone) Whitton** was named assistant vice president for strategic initiatives at SRC, Inc., formerly Syracuse Research Corporation. Whitton is responsible for assessing, developing, managing and evaluating all aspects of SRC's strategic goals and objectives. Whitton previously was an executive coach and equity partner for Productivity Leadership Systems. She has more than 30 years of experience in planning strategic initiatives and identifying business opportunities that led to millions of



dollars in increased revenues. She is a board member of the State University of New York Environmental School of Forestry Foundation and is the vice chair on the board of trustees at Onondaga Community College. She is also a recipient of the Syracuse Post-Standard's Women of Achievement Award.

**1975 — Mary Bigelow Overington, MSW**, is one of the co-founders of the non-profit Clothes to Kids of Denver, Inc. ([www.clothestokidsdenver.org](http://www.clothestokidsdenver.org)). This non-profit provides a free week's worth of new and gently used school clothes to low-income children in Denver, Colo. Last year Clothes to Kids provided 2,000 kids with a shopping experience they will never forget. **Jim Schlicht** has returned to the federal government as the legislative liaison in the Office of the Director at the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute of the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md. **Phyllis Skwava** is in her seventh year as librarian at St. Martin's Lutheran School, a pre-K to eighth grade elementary school in Annapolis, Md. Her husband, **David, '74**, retired as a captain from the U.S. Navy in 2009 after almost 30 years of service. He is the supervisory dentist at the U.S. Army Dental Activity at Ft. Meade, Md.

**1977 — Carl Cucuzza** is president and managing partner of Teknoweb NA LLC in Loganville, Ga. Teknoweb is the global technology leader in machines used for producing wet and dry wipes and wet toilet paper. His previous company, Triune Consulting Services Inc., has been combined into Teknoweb and continues to offer sales of rebuilt and used equipment as well as consulting and documentation services.

**1979 — Alicia Pender** was named vice chairman of the Board of Directors at Fairport Savings Bank. Pender has served as a director since 2008. She works as director of finance for the Sisters of St. Joseph of Rochester and lives in Fairport. **Susan (Caruso) Siegel** established her own consulting firm, Siegel&Caruso Consulting, Inc. The firm specializes in business development, fundraising, community outreach and design and marketing. She welcomes e-mail at [siegel.caruso@gmail.com](mailto:siegel.caruso@gmail.com).



**1981 — Lori (Johnson) Quigley**, as of July 1, 2010, will be the dean of the School of Education for The Sage Colleges (Russell Sage, Sage College of Albany, Sage Graduate School).



**1982 — Mark S. Kennedy** was promoted to regional sales director at WKBW-TV, Channel 7, the ABC affiliate in Buffalo. Kennedy has been a senior account executive with WKBW-TV for the past five years.

**1983 — Katie Bledsoe George** joined the Communications Office at the University of Rochester as assistant director of public relations after 20 years at the Rochester Democrat & Chronicle. She writes: "While it was pretty sad to leave my family's legacy of newspaper employment behind (both my dad and grandmother worked for newspapers) it's a whole different kind of excitement, working for a top level research university, where breaking news happens every day."

**Kathy Holland** moved from the litigation manager position at Lennar Homes to the law firm of Munsch, Hardt, Kopf & Harr PC as a case manager in the litigation section of the Texas firm.

**1984 — Donna L. (Smith) Burden** was named chairman of the Board of Directors of Heritage Centers. Heritage Centers is a not-for-profit organization that provides vocational training, education programs, residential services, legal services and recreation programs for individuals with developmental disabilities. She was also elected national director of DRI — The Voice of the Defense Bar at the October 2009 Annual Meeting in Chicago.



DRI is an international organization of 22,500 attorneys defending the interests of business and individuals in civil litigation. DRI provides numerous educational and informational resources to members and offers many opportunities for liaison among defense trial lawyers, corporate America, and state and local legal defense organizations. Burden is a founding partner in the Buffalo law firm of Burden, Gulisano and Hickey, LLC. She is a trial attorney and her practice emphasizes

transportation law, labor law, product liability and premises liability and catastrophic injury litigation. She lives in Williamsville with her husband, **Joe, '84**, and twin daughters.

**1985 — Jim Turp** is the engineering project coordinator for NJM Insurance Group's \$48 million South Jersey Regional Headquarters construction project. The 146,000-square-foot building is slated to open in December of 2010. Turp works in facility operations for NJM's Construction Projects Group. **David Yaun** is vice president of marketing and communications, global industries, at IBM Corporation. He is responsible for advertising, public relations and go-to-market strategies for IBM's 17 core industry segments. He was previously vice president of corporate communications, where he managed the company's global innovation programs. **Tim Brown** was named president and CEO as market head for Nestlé Canada Inc. Brown joined Nestlé Waters' sales group in 1988 and has held progressively more senior positions, serving as executive vice president of retail operations since 2001. He has been directly responsible for \$3 billion in annual revenues for the company's retail division. Nestlé Waters North America, a company of 7,500 people in the U.S., is the fourth ranked beverage company in the country. Brown is based in Toronto.

**1987 — Maura Meskill Weisenfluh** has relocated to just outside San Francisco and is looking to connect with grads from the area.

**1988 — Jim Goebelbecker** was promoted to chief executive officer of Housing Families Inc., a nonprofit providing housing and support services for homeless families.

**1990 — James Zaniello** has launched a boutique executive search firm, Vetted Solutions LLC, specializing in association and nonprofit recruiting and consulting. The D.C.-based firm will provide retained executive search services, interim solutions, and association management consulting services to trade associations, professional societies, nonprofits, foundations and those corporations that serve the nonprofit community. Zaniello is a 20-year veteran of the association and executive search indus-



### Pittsburgh reunion

Five longtime friends decided to hold their semi-regular reunion in Pittsburgh this year when the Bonnies traveled to Duquesne. **Jeff Hefke, '81**, provided a guided tour on a sunny Saturday afternoon. Pictured in front of Heinz Field are (from left) **Ed Wodarski, '79**, **Rod Stanekwicz, '83**, **Hefke, Mike Varecka, '79**, and **Mike Stets, '79**.



### Bonnies cheer on the Bonnies in Virginia

**Dr. Stephen Horan**, an '89 graduate and former Bona finance professor, and **Frank Squillace, '86**, attended the Bonaventure-UVa women's basketball game in mid-January at the John Paul Jones Arena on the grounds of the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, Va.

Squillace writes: "While Bonnies lost a close game in the end, it was exciting to be able to cheer them on in our hometown!"



## BonAlumnus Updates

### 2006 Hellinger winner earns prestigious national prize for investigative sports reporting

Wilmington (N.C.) StarNews sports writer **Rachel George, '06**, took first place in the 2009 Associated Press Sports Editors Writing Contest in the highly competitive Investigative category. Investigative is the only APSE category open to newspapers of all circulations. The StarNews, circulation 40,000, was up against writers from the Boston Globe, YahooSports, USA Today and New York Times.



Remarkably, SBU alum **Adrian Wojnarowski, class of '91**, was among a team of four YahooSports reporters who took third place in the same category for their probe into alleged recruiting violations by UConn's men's basketball program. Longtime Olean Times Herald sports editor **Chuck Pollock**, an adjunct instructor in SBU's journalism school, won first place for columns in the under-40,000 circulation category.

George wrote a series of articles on New Hanover High School's Jap Davis Field House, which had been shut down in late 2007 because of structural concerns. School officials assured the newspaper that repairs were made before students and coaches started using it again in spring 2008. A year later George was taken into a restricted area of the building where a beam that supports the roof was sagging significantly. She had a number of safety questions and started her investigation.

The first part of the story was published Aug. 1, 2009, a day after football practice started.

"Clearly, it was a problem that the football players were going to be using an unsafe building," George wrote in the cover letter submitted to APSE with her entry. "The county inspections department condemned the building before the start of practice because of my reporting. Alternate arrangements were made when the season started, and the players were kept out of danger."

A product of Pioneer Central School's renowned journalism program, George is a former BV sports editor, Olean Times Herald intern and Associated Press stringer. She was honored with the university's Hellinger Award in 2006.

tries. Zaniello serves on St. Bonaventure's National Alumni Association Board and the Board of Directors of the Community Health Accreditation Program. He is also an active volunteer in the association and nonprofit communities.



**1991 — John Titus** continues to work for Decision Resources, Inc. in Pittsburgh. He recently began serving as the interim minister at First United Church of Christ of Harrison City, Pa. He was ordained at Smithfield United Church of Christ in downtown Pittsburgh Feb. 21, 2010. **Alicia (Cassidy) Quagliana** lives in Westfield, N.Y., with her husband, **Daniel, '92**, their six biological children and a 14-month-old child who they are in the process of adopting. She is coordinator of religious education for St. Dominic Church, which serves the three communities of Westfield, Ripley and Brocton.

**1992 — Mark Stevens** was appointed by the governor of Pennsylvania and then elected to serve a 10-year term as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Crawford County, the 30th Judicial District. He had been a partner at Watts and Pepicelli in Meadville, Pa., until his appointment and election to the bench. His wife, **Jennifer (Tevlin), '91**, is the assistant principal of Saegertown High School in Penncrest School District. She was previously an English teacher and then dean of students at Saegertown. The Stevenses live in Meadville with their two children. **Suzanne Wilcox English** was elected vice president and chair of membership services of the Northwest Ohio Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America, while continuing as the chapter's diversity chair and liaison to the national committee on diversity. Wilcox English, who has served since 2006 as



director of public information for The University of Findlay (UF), the largest and most diverse private institution of higher education in northwest Ohio, joined the board in spring 2008. She became certified as an ISO 9000/TS16949 Internal Auditor during summer 2009, and completed an MBA in Organizational Leadership at UF in fall 2009. She welcomes e-mail from friends and former interns at suenglish23@hotmail.com.

**1994 — Buffalo Business First** named **Martin Biniasz, '94**, as one of its 40 Under Forty Award recipients for 2009. The 40 honorees, all under the age of 40, were recognized for their records of professional success and community involvement. Biniasz joined Western Regional Off Track Betting and Batavia Downs Casino as marketing director in 2007. His marketing efforts have



resulted in a 42 percent increase in revenue from 2007-2008 and during 2009 consistently led New York state's racino facilities in growth. Biniasz volunteers as chair of the City of Buffalo's Broadway Market Advisory Task Force. In 2009, he oversaw the development of an Easter season marketing plan that resulted in a customer increase of over 100,000 and a collective vendor revenue increase of approximately 35 percent. To promote a unique Buffalo tradition, Biniasz co-founded Dyngus Day Buffalo. The company provides marketing and promotional support to the region's Dyngus Day party sites and promotes Buffalo as the Dyngus Day Capital of the World.

**1995 — Andrés Calderón** notes that the Environmental Protection Agency's Office of the Inspector General (EPA-OIG) recently released the 10th audit report that he has collaborated on during his 6½ years as a program analyst. "The report states that EPA did not properly monitor costs paid for equipment during its responses to hurricanes Ike and Gustav. EPA is

now taking corrective actions that the EPA-OIG believes will adequately address the recommendations made by the audit team," he said.



**1996 — Matthew Kristofco** has formed his own law firm, Kristofco Law Firm, P.C., after years as a partner at the Golden, Colo., civil litigation law firm, Holley, Albertson & Polk, P.C. Kristofco specializes in civil trial practice, commercial litigation, business law, construction defect litigation, insurance, and personal injury defense. Kristofco was also recently selected as a Colorado Super Lawyers Rising Star in the area of civil litigation. By his selection, Kristofco has been recognized as one of the top attorneys in Colorado.

**1997 — Rebecca (Craven) Morris** is a licensed clinical social worker living in the Savannah, Ga., area with her husband, **Michael, '96**, and their son.

**1999 — Rob Spatola** was elected to the



Board of Directors of the National Kidney Foundation of Upstate New York. Spatola, of Irondequoit, is a CPA manager with The Bonadio Group, a public accounting firm. Spatola is responsible for the coordination of financial statement assurance engagements including both financial and compliance audits. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and board member and treasurer for Friendship Children's Center, Inc. and Parenthood For Me, Inc. **Jaclyn Baco Starosielec** is a third-grade teacher at Eggert Elementary School in the Orchard Park Central School District.

**2000 — Capt. Mark P. Frank** of the New York Army National Guard was promoted to the rank of major during a Jan. 21 promotion ceremony at the Watervliet (N.Y.) Arsenal Museum. Frank serves as a human resources officer and is assigned to the Joint



Force Headquarters-New York (Latham, N.Y.). Frank helps coordinate timely and effective manpower, HR services, and personnel support for commanders at all echelons to enhance the readiness and operational capabilities of the New York Army National Guard. Frank and his wife, Kristin, live in Cohoes, N.Y., with their three children.

**2002 — Tom Griffin** was promoted to category account executive of Family Planning at Procter & Gamble. He manages sales and distribution of Clearblue Easy, Accu-Clear and Fact Plus to all Food Channel customers and e-commerce. He continues to be located at P&G headquarters in Cincinnati, Ohio.

**2003 — Julie (Guiton) Keenan** received the 2009 Julian A. Milkes Outstanding New Business Teacher Award on Oct. 16, 2009, in Rochester at the 57th Annual New York State Business Teachers Fall Conference.

### Brian McNamee, '78, inducted into Academy of Human Resources

Alumnus **Brian McNamee** was one of six new Fellows inducted into the National Academy of Human Resources (NAHR), an honor considered the most prestigious in the field of human resources. Some 135 Fellows have been elected over the years from business, academia and government.

McNamee is senior vice president of Human Resources for Amgen, the world's largest biotech company. McNamee graduated from St. Bonaventure in 1978 with a degree in journalism and serves as a member of the St. Bonaventure University Board of Trustees.

McNamee joined Amgen in 2001 following a 14-year career with General Electric. During that time he held a number of positions, which included eight years working in Europe and Asia. He was also senior vice president of human resources for NBC.

McNamee is on the Board of the HR Policy Association in Washington, D.C., and is a member of the Advisory Board of the Marshall School of Business at the University of Southern California. He is on the Executive Committee of MLA Partner Schools, a nonprofit organization that is working to improve education at two public high schools in south central Los Angeles.

He is one of five McNamee children who attended St. Bonaventure. His father, Prof. John McNamee, was a teacher in the



The 2009 class of Fellows was honored at a black tie dinner held at The Yale Club in New York City. Joining Brian McNamee (second from right) were family and friends including St. Bonaventure alumni (from left) Don Ciciarelli, '77, Greg Lawless, '79, Margie (Brueckl) Lawless, '81, Brig. Gen. Michael McDaniel, '79, and Jim Chapman, '77.

Department of Education at Bona's and began the men's swimming program. Professor McNamee and his son Kevin are both members of the SBU Athletic Hall of Fame. Sean McNamee is the head men's swimming coach and a four-time Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year.

## Updates

Keenan is employed in the Maine-Endwell Central School District. **Spencer Peavey**, Alfred State College director of student activities and orientation, presented "Utilizing Media in Your Orientation Program and Recruitment of Student Leaders" to the National Orientation Directors Association (NODA) March 27 in Ithaca. Peavey's presentation reviewed how Alfred State incorporates both traditional and new media for new students during orientation. His presentation was awarded Region IX showcase honors by the attendees and awards committee as the presentation that will represent the region at the national conference in November.

**2004 — Michael Carnathan, M.D.**, is a 2009 graduate of St. George's University School of Medicine. He is a first-year family medicine resident at Chestnut Hill Hospital in Philadelphia, a major affiliate of the University of Pennsylvania Community Health Network. **James Schwegler** was appointed as an Erie County assistant district attorney and is working in Buffalo City Court. Schwegler graduated from The University of Toledo Law School and worked as a prosecutor in Ohio before returning to Western New York.



**2006 — Jessica Manocchio** is a corporate communications specialist in the Corporate Communications

Department at Rich Products Corporation. Also, she was named the 2010 Rising Star by the Public Relations Society of America's Buffalo Niagara Chapter. She will receive the award at the 2010 Excalibur Awards Ceremony in June.



**2007 — Gabriel Edwards** is director of sales at Cataract Steel Industries, Inc., (CSI). Edwards was most recently the sales manager over the thermal systems division at API Heat Transfer in Cheektowaga, N.Y. Located in Niagara Falls, N.Y., CSI has been a leader in providing heat-transfer equipment for more than 33 years.

**2009 — Eva Masters** is attending the Pittsburgh Institute of Mortuary Science, studying embalming and funeral directing. She will graduate in September of 2010.

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## BonAlumnus Births/Adoptions

### Welcome, Baby Bonnies!

Kellie adopted by Toni and **Carl Cucuzza, '77**

Cole James to Melissa and **Dave Peacock, '87**

David Matthew to Jacqueline and **Robert Siracuse, '90**

Charles Alexander to Steve and **Carolynn (Burns) Peloquin, '92**

Sofia Malin to Nancy Mangione-Piraino and **Lee Piraino, '92**

Gavin Patrick to Kate and **Scott Salvato, '93**

Nora Patricia Addison to Lewis and **Maureen (Madden) Desatnik, '94**

Zachariah Michael to Lisa and **Michael Donlon, '95**

Brennan Robert to Robert and **Lori (Dugan) Everett, '95**

Whitney Lee to Jennifer and **Geoff Klein, '95**

Luke Ryan to David and **Kathy (Meade) Linares, '95**

Matthew Lawrence to Gary and **Jennifer Jankunas Surmay, '95**

Alexandra Irene to Adam and **Natalia (Cadman) Cahill, '96**

James Philip to **Rebecca (Craven), '97**, and **Michael Morris, '96**

Conor Joseph to **Danielle (Sullivan), '97**, and **Christopher Mummery, '96**

Thearyn Jade to Timothy Wales and **Michele Passalugo-Wales, '97**

Liam Elliott to Sean and **Megan (Peters) Nolan, '97**

Helen Kathleen to **Judith (Kszystyniak), '99**, and **Eric Emerling, '98**

Seamus Andrew to **Erin (Guditus), '98**, and **Andy McElwee, '00**

Meghan Kathryn to **Amy (Tillman), '01**, and **Chris Lehaney, '98**

Duncan James to **Melissa (Marchese), '98**, and **Steve Gattine, '98**

Adrian Francis adopted by Roxana and **Michael Miehl, '98**

Emily Dorothy to Christopher and **Sara (Mortimer) Miller, '99**

Julia Ashlyn to Rod and **Wendy (Czapla) Lorenz, '99**

Aiden Jeremy to Tabbatha and **Michael Packer, '99**

Tate Landon to Mark and **Jaclyn (Baco) Starsielec, '99, '03**

Meghan Marie to **Brooke (Eccleston), '00**, and **Jeff Bishop, '00**

Magdalena Lynn to **Jennifer (Capaldi), '03**, and **Michael Carolla, '00**

Logan Joseph to **Paula (Noga), '01**, and **Bradley Eastham, '00**

Katherine Josephine to Erin and **Geoff Gerbasi, '00**

Alyssa Claire to **Elizabeth (Tascione), '00**, and **Greg Licamele, '99**

Kellan Vaughn to Michael Ackley and **Lauren Barbati, '01**

Anthony Joseph to **Janelle (Tandle), '01**, and **Joe DiMartino, '01**

Abigail Irene to Robert and **Tanja (Hamm) Bruner, '01**

Mary Grace to Tim and **Julie (Guiton) Keenan, '03**

Juliette Joan to **Katie (Boguski), '04**, and **Nick CuvIELLO, '04**

Nolan Fanon to Erin Reissig and **Anwar Pickett, '04**

Luke Robert to **Jamie (Sobecki), '04, '07**, and **Robert Westin, '02, '03**

Lillie Marie to **Sarah (Macchiano), '05**, and **Andrew Kneller, '05**

## St. Bonaventure community mourns death of longtime friar Fr. Daniel Hurley

Fr. Daniel Hurley, O.F.M., a beloved member of the SBU family and a friar for 68 years, passed away Saturday, March 13, at the age of 90. Fr. Dan was one of the founding friars at Mt. Irenaeus and was instrumental in forming the friar community there.



Fr. Dan retired from a long teaching career in June 1990 and moved to the campus ministry team. Many of his teaching years were spent in the classroom at St. Bonaventure, as an instructor of philosophy, history and English.

He interacted with hundreds of SBU undergraduates through numerous non-teaching positions, including residence director of Falconio-Robinson halls, dean of men, coordinator of freshman students, and academic counselor in the University Counseling Center.

Fr. Dan served as National Alumni Board

chaplain beginning in 1979. He earned a bachelor's degree in the classics from St. Bonaventure (then St. Bonaventure College) in 1940. Two months later he entered the Franciscan Order.

Fr. Dan professed his final vows in September 1944 and was ordained to the priesthood in June 1945.

From 1955 to 1961, he was assigned to St. Bonaventure, where he taught and served as a prefect in a residence hall. Following administrative work and a pastoral assignment, Fr. Dan was welcomed back to St. Bonaventure in the summer of 1969. Post and view remembrances of Fr. Dan: [www.facebook.com/mtirenaeus](http://www.facebook.com/mtirenaeus).

## Basketball legend Tom Stith passes away

St. Bonaventure basketball legend Tom Stith, the University's first consensus All-American, died June 13. He was 71. A native of New York City, Stith led Bona's to a 65-12 record over his three seasons (1958-1961), two consecutive NIT appearances and SBU's first-ever NCAA Tournament berth in 1961.



"Tom was a first-class guy who helped put St. Bonaventure basketball on the national landscape," said Steve Watson, SBU's athletic director.

Tom teamed with his older brother, Sam, over his first two seasons to form

the most prolific scoring tandem in school history. Tom averaged 31.5 points per game in 1959-60 en route to leading the Brown and White to a 21-5 record, including 18 straight wins and a fourth-place finish in the NIT. Tom's 830 points in 1960-61 still rank as the top single-season total as St. Bonaventure finished with a 24-4 record and made its first NCAA Tournament appearance.

For his career, Tom scored a remarkable 2,052 points over just 76 games for a 27.0 scoring average. Stith was drafted by the New York Knicks but a bout with tuberculosis derailed his pro career. He was inducted into the St. Bonaventure Hall of Fame in 1969 as part of the inaugural class and his No. 42 is retired and hangs in the rafters of the Reilly Center. For more on Tom Stith's legacy, go to [gobonnies.com](http://gobonnies.com).

### In Memoriam

**Paul M. Branch**, founder of the Friends of Bonaventure Annual Fund, died Jan. 20, 2010, in Olean. He and his late wife, Claire "Toni" Branch, were ardent supporters of the University, providing funding for an array of initiatives, including strong support for The Regina A. Quick Center for the Arts and primary funding for the original renovation of the Garret Theater on campus. The

Branch legacy at the University continues with daughter Laurie A. Branch, who has served as a member of the Board of Trustees since 2002 and as an adjunct professor in the School of Business for the past three years.

**George R. Foster**, who worked for nearly 35 years in the Maintenance Department as

## Alumni Deaths

Fr. Daniel A. Hurley, '40, O.F.M., West Clarksville, N.Y.  
 Joseph F. Foley, '41, Endicott, N.Y.  
 Francis P. Sorci, '42, Buffalo, N.Y.  
 Walter J. Pilecki, '43, Independence, Mo.  
 William W. Hogan, '49, Bradford, Pa.  
 Joseph F. Ward, '49, Great Valley, N.Y.  
 Edward A. Berent, '50, Elma, N.Y.  
 William J. Delaney, '50, Lewisburg, Pa.  
 Francis P. Fordham, '50, Bonita, Calif.  
 Samuel V. D'Onofrio, '50, Okeechobee, Fla.  
 Clyde Hilsen, '50, San Jose, Calif.  
 Gerard K. Moyer, '50, Allegany, N.Y.  
 David J. Shay, '50, Elmira, N.Y.  
 James L. Turner, '50, Corpus Christi, Texas  
 Joseph M. Baglio, '51, Rockville, Md.  
 Salvatore Buscaglia, '51, Webster, N.Y.  
 David N. Curtin, '51, Penn Yan, N.Y.  
 Francis G. Dennesen, '51, Beverly Farms, Mass.  
 Francis A. Stalteri, '51, Snyder, N.Y.  
 Harold Wagner, '51, Getzville, N.Y.  
 Richard B. Ranney, '52, Pembroke Pines, Fla.  
 William A. Gillogly, '54, Norristown, Pa.  
 Raymond L. Tubridy, '54, West Chicago, Ill.  
 Kenneth R. Stephens, '55, Hot Springs, Ariz.  
 Martin T. Gleason, '56, West Seneca, N.Y.  
 J. Gerard Carton, '56, Brick, N.J.  
 Sr. Jean P. Bryan, O.S.F., '57, Miami Beach, Fla.  
 Mary L. Cyphert, '58, Williamsville, N.Y.  
 John A. Palmer, '58, Lakewood, N.Y.  
 James V. Koebelin, '59, Sebring, Fla.  
 Edward P. Reiter, '59, Louisville, Ky.  
 Leonard M. Bailey, '60, Mansfield, Pa.  
 David A. Firley, '60, Fayetteville, N.Y.  
 Richard V. Mancuso, '60, Brockport, N.Y.  
 John E. Willoughby, '60, Suffield, Conn.  
 Mary B. Miller, '61, Burke, Va.  
 Owen McNally, '61, Medford, N.J.  
 Thomas A. Stith, '61, Farmingville, N.Y.  
 John M. Canning, '64, Middletown, N.Y.  
 Thomas C. Kelley, '64, Fort Stockton, Texas  
 Edward J. Brennan, '66, Fairfax, Va.  
 Edward J. Devaney, '66, Farmington, Conn.  
 Raymond L. Hunt, '66, Cuba, N.Y.  
 Sr. Anne F. Keefe, O.S.F., '66, Niagara Falls, N.Y.  
 Walter J. Burghardt, '68, Washington, D.C.  
 Chester R. Jarmolowski, '69, Allison Park, Pa.  
 Mary A. Smith, '69, Olean, N.Y.  
 Robert F. Fuhrman, '70, New York, N.Y.  
 Gregory A. Moses, '70, Erie, Pa.  
 Anthony B. Kirtland, '74, Urbana, Ill.  
 Joan M. Barry, '75, San Diego, Calif.  
 Margaret E. Monteleone, '77, Fayetteville, N.Y.  
 Valerie Gleason, '85, Point Pleasant Beach, N.J.  
 Elizabeth A. (Fordham) Wiley, '85, Georgetown, Texas  
 Joseph M. Engl, '86, Port Allegany, Pa.  
 Steven J. Fantozzi, '96, Westminster, Colo.

the operator of the St. Bonaventure central boiler plant, died Nov. 29, 2009.

**Catherine Jandoli**, 90, the matriarch of the Russell J. Jandoli School of Journalism and Mass

Communication and widow of the journalism program's founder, died Tuesday, May 4, 2010.

**William "Bill" Karl** died Feb. 1, 2010. Karl worked as a housekeeper at the University since early 1979.



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## BonAlumnus Weddings



Marc Vachon, '03, and Elizabeth Hallenbeck



Philip Ditzel, '00, and Tiffany Cook



Therese Runfola, '98, and Marty Blind, '94



Suzanne Familo, '99, and Patrick Cieslica, '99



Sara Graham, '02, and Michael Richardson



Sarah Veeder, '06, and Matthew Tandle, '04, '05



Brian Sigritz, '00, and Andrea Noce



Karen Schoen, '03, and Mark Kubiak, '01



Brianne Bastian, '03, and Kyle Johnson, '03



Rhiana Lippold, '00, and Matthew Leavitt



Jessica Austin, '03, '04, and Jon Barniak



Gary Passineau, '73, and Gail Cowan

## Weddings

### Additional Wedding Announcements

Judith Beckett, '65, and Andrew McDonald  
John Crawford, '08, and Rachel Johnson



Jennifer LaBella, '04, and Scott Wolf



Kristie Villano, '99, '03, and Jason Porter  
*The Porters are pictured in front of a famous window at Mission San Jose Church that was created by Jason's great-great-grandfather (Huisar)*



Christina Illig, '06, and Rick Campbell, '02



Chris Comstock, '03, and Brenda Davis



Stephanie Herzig, '08, '09, and Nicholas Johnson, '08

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### Upcoming Alumni Events

June 25 Yonkers  
*Rob Peraza Memorial Golf Outing/  
9th Annual Gringo Open*

June 28 Buffalo  
*60th Annual Little Three Golf Tourney*

July 10 NYC  
*Reception and New York Mets Game*

July 14 Buffalo  
*Harbor Cruise*

Aug. 14 Olean  
*William Stax McCarthy Scholarship  
Golf Tournament*

Aug. 21 NYC  
*Annual Harbor Cruise*

Sept. 25 Campus  
*Alumni/Parents Reception*

Dec. 23 Rochester  
*Pre- and Post-Game Reception*

Details online at [www.sbu.edu/alumni](http://www.sbu.edu/alumni) or by calling (716) 375-2302.



## New state-of-the-art Business Center slated to be open by 2014

St. Bonaventure plans to build a new \$10 million facility to house its acclaimed School of Business. The proposed 26,000-sq.-ft. Business Center, to be built on vacant campus land between Reilly Center and Plassmann Hall, will ensure that St. Bonaventure remains a popular choice for students seeking a business education shaped by Franciscan ideals.

The building will feature a financial services lab; a corporate boardroom simulator; high-tech, state-of-the-art classrooms; breakaway areas and spaces for student collaboration and team-building; vibrant space for faculty research; and a commitment to sustainability. Business majors compose nearly 30 percent of the student body at St. Bonaventure. More than 500 alumni own their own businesses, and almost 500 more hold executive positions at regional, national or multinational firms.



*Architectural renderings by Cannon Design*

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**Hope Gardner:** *I miss Midnight breakfast!*

**Stacy Jeanne Monaghan:** *I JUST painted my new office at home in the Bonaventure brown — I even contacted marketing to get the correct pantone number! Now that some memorabilia is hanging it looks awesome!*

**Mary Foley:** *In 1980 I had the NY plate of St. Bonas...which was great as I am a member of the class of '81 and my dad was a member of the class of '41*

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**AlexCole77:** *@stbonaventure Great to see St. Bonaventure taking an active role in sustainability. Can't wait to hear more.*

**sHecKii:** *@stbonaventure I just want to say that it's so cool that our school is tech savvy ^^ Thanks for listening to our suggestions!*

**AndreaGenevieve:** *@stbonaventure is everywhere.... you always run into someone even at the most random places!*



### Arts & Sciences Expo 2010

The 2010 Student Research & Creative Endeavors Exposition celebrated the exceptional mentored work of 48 students in the School of Arts & Sciences. Above, Ashley Kakkanatt, '11 (right), describes her project, "Paraphrase: Homage to Chagall," to Sandra Mulryan. Learn more about this year's projects:

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