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Senior Reagan Terry honored with Woman of Promise Award

Reagan Terry has been honored with the Woman of Promise Award, given annually by St. Bonaventure University's School of Journalism and Mass Communication.

Terry, a senior from Brushton, N.Y., received the award Tuesday from Dr. Mary A. Hamilton, a retired associate professor of journalism and mass communication at St. Bonaventure. The award, named in honor of Hamilton, is presented to a St. Bonaventure senior who sets a good example for her peers and excels both in and out of the classroom.

"I am absolutely ecstatic about the award," Terry said. "I feel like I won the gold medal at the Olympics. It is a great honor to be recognized by such a wonderful faculty who are so inspirational themselves."

Janice Lieberman, NBC consumer reporter, was the keynote speaker at the award ceremony. A former

colleague of Lee Coppola, dean of the Russell J. Jandoli School of Journalism and Mass Communication, Lieberman has worked for NBC News, "Today," and "Later Today."

Lieberman and Coppola were co-workers at WIVB-TV in Buffalo, where she was an anchor and reporter, as well as a researcher for WCBS-TV in New York and ABC News.

Terry, a 2003 graduate of Brushton-Moira Central School, has concentrated on courses in broadcasting and public relations at St. Bonaventure, and has been named to the dean's list every semester of her four years.

"Reagan possesses all the attributes of someone who will succeed in whatever she undertakes after graduation," said Coppola. "She's intelligent, energetic and compassionate, and she's exhibited all of these during her four years at St. Bonaventure."

Terry has interned with several different organizations, including her hometown newspaper, The Malone Telegram. She has also been involved with several clubs and organizations on campus including The Buzz, SBU-TV, the Student Ambassador Program and the Bonaventure Choir.

After graduation, she hopes to work in the fields of broadcasting or public relations, as well as volunteering with such groups as the SPCA.

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Alden Trust supports sciences at SBU

A \$125,000 grant from the George I. Alden Trust in Worcester, Mass., will allow St. Bonaventure University to develop a biopsychology program and enhance the computer science curriculum, providing undergraduate students with the opportunity to study the connections between brain, mind and behavior.

In this two-part initiative, the Department of Computer Science will purchase a PeopleBot robot, which is designed specifically to interact with people and will be used for undergraduate research and for public outreach activities. In the second phase, the Department of Psychology will create and equip a biopsychology laboratory that will be used for newly created courses in biopsychology and undergraduate research projects.

Combined, the two projects will reach all psychology and computer science majors as well as a significant portion of students majoring in the other sciences at St. Bonaventure.

Dr. Robert Harlan, head of St. Bonaventure's Undergraduate Robotics Laboratory and co-author of the grant, said the PeopleBot robot will enable him to combine two lines of his research — his work in artificial intelligence involving the design of planning systems that can understand commands in English and carry them out in a simulated world, and his work in robotics involving developing software that will enable a robot to function in the real world.

Harlan said much of the coding for programs controlling the robot's behavior, planning and reasoning will be developed by computer science undergraduates.

"It will provide them with a platform for developing real-time, mission-critical software," he said, adding that students in other disciplines will be able to design and conduct experiments on how humans interact with the robot.

Harlan also noted that the PeopleBot will enable Dr. Anne Foerst, a theologian and member of the Department of Computer Science, to continue her experimentation with human-robot interaction begun at the Artificial Intelligence Laboratory at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Foerst, co-author of the grant and an internationally known expert on human-robot interaction, is the author of "God in the Machine," a book that examines what robots can teach us about being human. The second part of the initiative will be conducted by Dr. Darryl Mayeaux, assistant professor of psychology and co-author of the grant, who will develop and subsequently offer the biopsychology lab class.

"Together, the two projects build a base for understanding the concept we call 'mind,' how it emerges from physiology, and what features of an interactive entity — biological or non-biological — lure us to attribute 'mind' to that entity," said Mayeaux. Each level of biological organization and each emergent phenomenon is amenable to scientific study, he said.

According to Mayeaux, the biopsychology lab will offer students in introductory-level courses the opportunity to explore the biological foundations of behavior through lecture and lab classes, each of which will be organized around testing meaningful competing hypotheses.

In upper-division laboratory courses, including collaborative research with undergraduates, the project will offer more opportunities to work with animal models of learning processes and of disorders such as depression and obsessive-compulsive disorder, he said.

"There are many scientific questions whose answers await discovery," said Mayeaux, adding that learning by pushing back, in small steps, the borders of scientific information is "exciting, sometimes frustrating, but always unforgettable."

A previous grant from the Alden Trust in December 2003 supported the purchase of a High Performance Liquid Chromatograph (HPLC) and a Gas Chromatograph/Mass Spectrometer (GC/MS), which are key pieces of scientific equipment used in the undergraduate science programs.

"St. Bonaventure has a strong commitment to a vibrant liberal arts education firmly grounded in the sciences," said Stephen Stahl, Ph.D., dean of the School of Arts and Sciences. "The Alden Trust grant will contribute significantly to a research-robust curriculum where our students will become research collaborators from the very first day on campus and will, over their four years, mature into competent, independent researchers before they head off to graduate school, industry, or secondary classrooms."

Stahl noted that the Alden Trust grant is a significant step in helping the University to complete the current Kresge Foundation challenge. St. Bonaventure must raise \$2,659,880 for construction/renovation of its science facilities — for equipment, and for science-related scholarships and endowment — by Oct. 1 in order to receive a Kresge Foundation challenge award of \$850,000.

With the Alden grant, the remaining amount the University must raise in order to meet the challenge award is about \$160,000, he said.

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BonaResponds returns to the south - with a stop in Alabama

BonaResponds returned to the south during St. Bonaventure University's midterm break with 60 volunteers, aiding tornado victims in Enterprise, Ala., and rebuilding the Gulf Coast, which continues to suffer 19 months after Hurricane Katrina.

At 5 p.m. on March 2, BonaResponds participants boarded a bus and arrived in Enterprise 21 hours later. As first responders to the tornado crisis, the army of brown removed debris from houses and properties, cut and hauled trees, cleaned the neighborhood and spoke with residents.

Jim Mahar, head of BonaResponds and assistant professor of finance at St. Bonaventure, described the army of brown in the BonaRespond's blog, comparing the volunteers to ants:

"All that I could imagine was what we were looking down on a giant ant hill," Mahar said. "I had to stop to take it all in. Laid out ahead of us there were people dressed in brown T-shirts seemingly everywhere. All of the other BonaRespond volunteers had, without any order being given, congregated in the midst of the worst hit area of the neighborhood. People in brown shirts scurrying up and down the slopes, people in brown shirts rolling tree trunks down hills, people in brown shirts dragging branches to the curb, people in brown shirts stooping to pick up debris, and people in brown shirts lifting spirits everywhere. A quick count showed that there were about 40 (of a possible 47) volunteers within a quarter mile area."

After two days in Enterprise, all but six BonaResponders re-boarded the bus and traveled to Mississippi, where the group remained through March 9. The six who remained behind continued with cleanup efforts for two more days and worked with Persevere Volunteers before rejoining the rest of BonaResponds along the Coast.

Volunteers were divided among Bible Fellowship Church, Randy's Rangers and St. Rose De Lima Catholic Church.

"In Mississippi, it still looks like the aftermath of the storm has hold of the houses and neighborhoods along the coast," said Allison Whalen, a St. Bonaventure sophomore and first-time volunteer who stayed at Randy's Rangers.

"It seems as if many parts of Pass Christian are stuck in a rut. Some businesses and large oceanfront houses have sprung up, but middle-class and low-income homes look as if the storm tore through yesterday, leaving only the foundations and staircases. It's eerie," she said.

Volunteers worked among several different work sites. Tasks included removing debris, gutting buildings, fighting toxic mold, cleaning properties, cutting and hauling trees and rebuilding houses.

"[My group] worked on a particular house every day," Whalen said. "We mudded and sanded and prepared the house to be painted. It was really cool to come back each day and be able to take notice of the progress we were making."

"The most obvious benefit that our volunteers provide is the actual services completed. For instance a clean yard, a safe house or new drywall hung," Mahar said. "But I think more that that our volunteers provide hope and reassurance that the outside world does care. It is hard to quantify, but that is one message that I hear at every event we do. From Biloxi to New Orleans to Buffalo to Enterprise, tears of joy and sincere thanks are the typical response to our work and us being there."

Students did not completely forgo their spring breaks for all work and no play. Students enjoyed true Mississippian dinners midweek complete with crawfish, shrimp and crab at a local restaurant. They also visited New Orleans their last night before returning to school.

BonaResponds was created in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. It has taken approximately 400 volunteers to the Gulf Coast and led just as many volunteers in service projects throughout Western New York. BonaResponds aims to be a world-class organization whose mission is to help people in need, as well as to build better leaders and better communities. The group, comprised of students, faculty, staff, alumni and local residents, is run completely through donations.

BonaResponds has a local service day planned for April 21 and another trip to the Gulf in May.

BonaResponds welcomes new members, regardless of affiliation with St. Bonaventure. For more information regarding BonaResponds, visit http://www.bonaresponds.org or contact Mahar at bonaresponds@sbu.edu.

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Hut-A-Thon to raise awareness about homelessness

Chris Anderson doesn't want to raise just money to fight homelessness. He wants to raise awareness.

So he's going to spend the better part of two days outside doing just that, and he's inviting anyone concerned about the issue to join him and several members of the St. Bonaventure community.

Hut-A-Thon will be held from 3 p.m. Friday, March 23, until noon on Sunday, March 25, outside the University Ministries building (Thomas Merton Center) on the St. Bonaventure University campus. Anderson, a graduate student and intern in SBU's Collaborative Counseling Clinic, hopes to be joined by several students, faculty members and area residents in a makeshift hut being constructed this coming week with the help of local contractors and home improvement businesses.

The fundraiser will benefit Genesis House, the Olean shelter that helps the homeless get back on their feet, and Phi Rho, the local chapter of the Chi Sigma Iota National Counseling Honor Society.

"We decided to join forces with Genesis House to hopefully show how the two issues are linked," said Anderson, who was inspired to re-create at St. Bonaventure the Hut-A-Thon experience he had while he was an undergraduate at Allegheny College in Meadville, Pa.

"I think there are so many stigmas attached to homelessness that just aren't true, that people are just making poor choices, or that they're just not trying hard enough. So often there are mental health issues that lead people to homelessness, so we hope to make people understand that more."

Participants can ask friends, family members, co-workers, teachers, etc., to pledge money for the period of "hut" time for which they sign up. Participants are asked to sign up for at least a two-hour period; the event will go around the clock, regardless of the weather, Anderson said.

"Homelessness doesn't take a break in bad weather," he said.

People interested in just stopping by the hut and making a donation to the cause are more than welcome, Anderson said. The University Ministries building will be open the entire 45-hour window for coffee and hot chocolate, water and restroom access, he said.

Anderson hopes the event will also make people in the region more aware of SBU's Counseling Clinic, which opened last fall and provides affordable mental health and academic services for the region.

"Very few colleges have an on-site clinic like this that provides both mental health counseling and academic services," Anderson said. "It's really quite a resource for the community, especially to be able to reach such an underserved population with very affordable service."

Community members both on campus and off can register for a hut time slot and get a pledge sheet by calling Anderson at (716) 375-2353, or e-mailing him at anderscc@sbu.edu. Donated checks should be made out to Phi Ro, with Hut-A-Thon on the memo line.

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ROTC to induct five into Hall of Fame

The St. Bonaventure University Seneca Battalion is proud to announce five new members will be inducted into its Army ROTC Hall of fame at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 24, in the Rigas Family Theater of The Regina A. Quick Center for the Arts.

The Hall of Fame honors distinguished graduates and individuals of the St. Bonaventure community who have served their country with the utmost duty and valor. This year's distinguished inductees are: Col. Robert J. Coy, Linda Jennings, Col. Francis J. Kane (Ret.), Col. Francis A. Machina, and Lt. Col. John J. Morgan.

Robert J. Coy

Born in Columbus, Ohio, Coy graduated as a Distinguished Military Graduate of Houghton College in May 1985 with a bachelor's degree in mathematics. He was commissioned an Air Defense Artillery Second Lieutenant through the St. Bonaventure University Army ROTC program and attended the Air Defense Artillery Basic Course at Fort Bliss, Texas.

Throughout his career, he has remained active in the Officers Christian Fellowship program. An area underwriting manager for Safeco Insurance, Coy and his family live in Renton, Wash. Coy is married to the former Jean Ladderud. They have two children, Joshua, 9, and Rachel, 7.

He is a graduate of the Command and General Staff College and the Army War College, and his military

awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (2nd Oak Leak Cluster), the Army Commendation Medal (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster), the Army Achievement Medal (2nd Oak Leaf Cluster), the Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Overseas Service Ribbon, and the Army Service Ribbon.

Linda Jennings

Originally from Alfred Station, Jennings joined the cadre of the St. Bonaventure University Army ROTC Department in October 1976 as a GS3 clerk typist. During her 30-year career, Jennings implemented numerous programs and procedures to continually improve the administrative support provided to St. Bonaventure University's ROTC cadets and their cadre.

She has assisted with the actions of more than 700 cadets as they have transitioned from college students to commissioned Army second lieutenants.

Jennings' many awards include Commander's Award for Civilian Service, Achievement Medal for Civilian Service, Certificate of Achievement, Employee of the Quarter, and numerous Special Act and Performance Awards for outstanding support. In 2004, she was recognized by the Secretary of Defense when she was presented the Army's Superior Civilian Service Award, the third highest award given to Department of Defense career employees.

Jennings has two sons, Ryan, 24, and Dan, 21.

Francis J. Kane, '47, '70

Kane graduated from high school in Dunkirk and in 1940 entered St. Bonaventure College, where he joined the Army ROTC program. One year before his scheduled graduation, he was ordered to active duty and attended Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill, Okla.

Upon earning a commission as a Field Artillery second lieutenant, he served with the 11th Field Artillery Battalion, 24th Infantry Division in the Pacific Theater during World War II, to include duty in the Philippians and occupation duty in Japan.

In 1946, his military status was reverted to the Army Reserve and he returned to St. Bonaventure to complete a bachelor's degree in chemistry/physics.

In 1950, he was recalled to active duty. He deployed to Korea and served for 12 months as a Forward Observer and Regimental Liaison and later as a Division Liaison with the Commonwealth Division, a multinational organization comprised of British, Canadian and Australian forces that was part of British Commonwealth Forces Korea.

In 1965, Kane was selected as the Senior U.S. Artillery Advisor for the Imperial Hawk Missile System

with the Chinese Nationalist Army in Taiwan. He returned to his alma mater to serve as the associate professor of military science from 1967 to 1969. He retired as a colonel in 1970.

Kane's post-military career included several years with Raytheon Corporation as the coordinator of manpower, equipment and training documentation for the Saudi Arabian Army's Improved Nike Hawk weapons system. Active in the St. Michaels Catholic community and a past district governor of the Lions Club, Kane's numerous military awards include induction into the Order of Saint Barbara. He is also past commander of the El Paso Chapter and Department of the Rio Grande, Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW.)

Francis A. Machina Jr., '82

Born in Lackawanna, Machina graduated from Shenendehowa High School in Clifton Park, N.Y., in 1978. A Distinguished Military Graduate of St. Bonaventure University with a bachelor's degree in accounting, he was commissioned a Regular Army Officer Finance Corps Officer on May 16, 1982.

In addition to his many duties and accomplishments, he completed the Finance Officer Advanced Course and Airborne School in 1985 and relocated to Washington D.C., where he was the finance officer for the Systems Performance Office from 1986 until 1989.

Machina was recruited for and served as the 1st Special Forces Operations Detachment-Delta Comptroller from 1992-1994. In this capacity, he handled all financial issues, including funding for classified operations, for the U.S. Army's elite counter-terrorism unit known as Delta Force.

He later would be assigned to United States Special Operations Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Fla., as the Chief, Special Programs Branch, where he prepared and defended a \$400 million budget for all classified programs, then was selected as the Chief, Operations and Maintenance Branch, where he was responsible for a \$2.2 billion budget.

Machina served a third tour in the Special Operations community as the J8, Director of Resources, Requirements and Technology Exploitation for the Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC) at Fort Bragg, N.C., from 2002 to 2005. He was responsible for building a future year funding program worth more than \$1 billion and managing the execution of annual appropriations of more than \$300 million while JSOC was the nation's lead element in the war on terror.

Machina serves as the deputy director for the Center of Force Structure, Requirements, Resources, and Strategic Assessments (J8) in the United States Special Operations Command in Tampa, Fla. Married for 22 years to Ann Marie (Faiello, '85), the couple has four children Maria, 16, Angela, 14, Jenna, 10, and 7-month-old Frankie.

His numerous military awards include the Distinguished Superior Service Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, Parachutist Badge and Air

Assault Badge. His professional associations include the American Society of Military Comptrollers (ASMC) and the American Legion. He served two terms as president of the Tampa Bay Chapter of ASMC and is a Certified Defense Financial Manager (CDFM).

John J. Morgan Jr., '50

Born in New York City, Morgan left Rye, N.Y., to attend St. Bonaventure College, where he earned a bachelor's degree in 1950. A member of the ROTC program, he was commissioned a Regular Army Field Artillery second lieutenant.

Within three months of his college graduation, Morgan was serving as a forward observer with the 1st Cavalry Division, engaged in combat operations against North Korean and Chinese forces. Wounded in 1951, he convalesced for seven months before he returned to duty and continued to serve in numerous command and staff positions.

A graduate of the USAREUR Intelligence School and the Intelligence Research Course, he was branch transferred to Military Intelligence and eventually commanded Company B, 502nd Military Intelligence Battalion in Seoul, South Korea. After 20 years of service, he retired from active duty in August 1970. Morgan returned to college and earned a master's degree in education before serving in numerous positions in education and industry. In 1977, he returned to college to become a doctoral candidate. He taught photography and education media at Regis University in Denver, Colo., until retiring in 1986.

For more than 50 years, Morgan has been a fine art and exhibition photographer, with his work displayed in major juried shows in Colorado, California, Arizona, New Mexico and New England.

Described in a 1988 newspaper article as a "super-volunteer," he has assisted in a program to bring food and clothing to Navajo Indians on a Franciscan mission reservation in Arizona, served as a longtime driver for the Meals on Wheels program and been very active with Right to Life and Birthright. In 1990, he received the Archbishop of Denver's Service Award.

His military awards include the Bronze Star with "V" Device, Purple Heart Meritorious Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal with Oak Leaf, Army of Occupation Medal (Germany), Korean Service Medal with Four Campaign Stars, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, United Nations Korean Service Medal, Korea Defense Medal, Republic of Korea War Service Medal and two Distinguished Unit Citations.

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Distinguished counseling professor to teach class with Fr. Allen Weber

A distinguished professor in the field of counseling will team teach a St. Bonaventure University graduate class next week with Fr. Allen Weber, O.F.M. Gerald Corey, Ph.D., a professor emeritus of human services at Cal State Fullerton and a licensed psychologist, and Fr. Allen begin the intensive six-day Group Practicum in counselor education on Monday.

The course, an occasional elective, is designed to assist students in gaining a better understanding of the objectives, procedures and experiential climate of group counseling. Students will have an opportunity to co-lead small groups within the class setting with supervision.

"Dr. Corey is a well-known expert in the field and an author of numerous textbooks," said Fr. Allen, a friend and colleague of Corey's for more than 10 years. "St. Bonaventure is fortunate to have this distinguished psychologist, counselor and contemporary expert in the field."

Corey received his doctorate in counseling from the University of Southern California. He is a Diplomate in Counseling Psychology, American Board of Professional Psychology; a National Certified Counselor; a Fellow of the American Psychological Association (Counseling Psychology); and a Fellow of the Association for Specialists in Group Work.

He received the Outstanding Professor of the Year Award from Cal State Fullerton in 1991. He is the author or co-author of 15 textbooks in counseling currently in print, three student videos with workbooks, and more than 60 articles in professional publications.

In the past 30 years, Corey and his wife, Marianne Schneider Corey, have conducted group counseling training workshops for mental health professionals at many universities in the United States as well as in Mexico, China, Germany, Belgium, Scotland, Canada and Ireland.

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BIS Club tours Boston firms, learns about technology implementation issues

ST. BONAVENTURE, N.Y., March 21, 2007 - Six members of the Business Information Systems (BIS) Club received exposure to technology implementation issues and networking opportunities during a recent club trip. The students and BIS Club adviser Dr. Carl Case traveled on March 16 to visit three Boston businesses (and several St. Bonaventure alumni):

Eaton Vance Managment, a firm that manages more than \$135 billion in real estate. The group met with Jay Gill, '00, from the real estate management group, and Alex Wong, a representative from the Customer Relationship Management area within the Information Technology (IT) department.

Clough Capital Partners, a firm that manages hedge funds and mutual funds. Students met with Jim Canty, '84, a partner, and his staff to discuss outsourcing, disaster recovery, and continuity planning. eZe Castle, an major information technology integration firm that provides continuity services. There, the group met with Jason Nolan.

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Newsmakers

Dr. Mary Adekson, associate professor of counselor education, conducted a diversity training workshop for members of the Hilbert Coillege Student Life staff on March 2, 2007. The workshop was organized by Cheyenne Jumanah, a 2006 St. Bonaventure graduate and the director of multicultural affairs at Hilbert.

Dr. Robert P. Amico, professor of philosophy, recently had a chapter titled "Applying DPD At Other Institutions: An Incremental, Additive Approach" published in the anthology Teaching For Change: The Difference, Power and Discrimination Model by Lexington Press. The chapter describes how curriculum transformation has evolved at SBU through the Four-College (St. Bonaventure University, Alfred University, Alfred State College and Jamestown Community College) Faculty Summer Seminar in Curriculum Transformation, now in its sixth year.

Darwin L. King, professor of accounting, had an article published in the March 2007 issue of Oil, Gas & Energy Quarterly. The article titled "Timber Cash Outflows: Capital Expenditures or Operating Expenses?" describes the proper accounting methods for various timber related costs. This is the 15th article that King has published in this journal that is read by attorneys and accountants throughout the United States.

Dr. Rodney Paul and Dr. Jim Mahar, both in the Department of Finance, had the paper titled "The Betting Market Response to the 2-Point Conversion in the NFL" accepted for publication in the Journal of Business and Economic Perspectives. The article is scheduled to be published in Volume XXXIII, Number 1, Spring/Summer edition of the Journal.

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ANNUAL RECOGNITION CEREMONY

Mark your calendars for this celebration!

The entire University community is invited to a brief ceremony beginning at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 27, in the Rigas Family Theater. Individuals with 10 years of service and up will be recognized, with those reaching 25 years of service and our retirees receiving special recognition.

Our 25-year honorees include Mary Jane Baxter, Isabel Hamed, Mary Jane Telford and Ann Tenglund; retirees include Dr. Harold Gelfand, Dr. Michael Lavin, Mr. Patrick Premo, Dr. Samuel Sheldon, and Dr. Joseph Zampogna.

All are asked to come celebrate all of the special individuals who have been an important part of the University community for many years. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend!

- Sr. Margaret Carney, O.S.F., and the President's Cabinet

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