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### *SBU teams with George Washington Medical Center to offer degrees*

By Anna Button '05

**S**t. Bonaventure and George Washington University Medical Center (GWUMC) have jointly established an undergraduate/graduate program allowing SBU students to begin their medical education at GWUMC's School of Medicine after their senior year at SBU. Under the program, approved Friday by the Faculty Senate, eight years after entering SBU, students will have received a bachelor of science degree from SBU and a medical degree from

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### *SBU seeking proposals for signature programs*

**T**he University is seeking a second round of proposals for signature programs, according to a letter distributed by Dr. Frank E. "Skip" Saal, provost, vice president for academic affairs, and chair of the On-Campus Planning Committee, which reviews such proposals.

The concept of signature programs was developed by the Commission for the Future, which intended them to:

1. Be consistent with specific components of St. Bonaventure University's mission, vision and values;
2. Enhance the academic and intellectual quality and reputation of St. Bonaventure University;

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**HELPING HAND** — Senior George Windsor III helps students work with computers.

## **SIFE provides business assistance, aid in Bahamas**

By Jessica Manocchio '06

**W**arm weather, teamwork and a few hundred Bahamian smiles made the Jan. 14 return a tough one for the students of St. Bonaventure University's Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE). St. Bonaventure

SIFE members were engaged in their second annual international entrepreneurial service trip to Hunters, Grand Bahamas, an area recently devastated by two hurricanes.

"We really worked hard this year and

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## *Franciscan heritage events focus on tradition*

By Kelly Voll '06

**A** wealth of events will be taking place on the St. Bonaventure University campus during February and March to celebrate and educate faculty, staff and administrators about Franciscan heritage.

"These opportunities have been designed as enjoyable, enlightening experiences for all of our Bona community. It is a new beginning for what we intend to be an ongoing process of

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inviting each of us here at the University to grow in our understanding of our rich Franciscan tradition," said Bob Donius, vice president for University Ministries and chair of the Franciscan Council. "Tuesdays with Francis and Clare" will be a series of presentations and question-and-answer sessions on the following dates:

**Feb. 15** – Jean François Godet-Calogeras, Ph.D. – "Introduction to Francis and Clare"

**March 8** – Fr. Dominic Monti, Ph.D. – "Franciscan Intellectual Tradition," with a brief look at the life of St. Bonaventure

**March 15** – Sr. Mary Gurley, Ed.D. – "Franciscan Life and Values"

**March 22** – A panel presentation and discussion on "Teaching Franciscan Values in the Classroom," by Charles Walker, Ph.D., Peggy Burke, Ed. D., Mark Nolan, Ph.D., and Leigh Simone, Ph.D.

The presentations will be from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m., and dinner and discussion from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. in the University Club. Those who plan to attend should RSVP one week prior to each event to Debby Mooney, ext. 2600 or [dmooney@sbu.edu](mailto:dmooney@sbu.edu).

Other Franciscan heritage events include: "Build with Living Stones," a Lenten lunch discussion from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Thomas Merton Ministry Center living room, with attendees asked to RSVP one week prior to Mooney.

Each session will be facilitated by Trevor Thompson, coordinator of Build With Living Stones, and lunch will be provided compliments of The Journey Project. Topics and presenters include:

**Feb. 16** - "Francis, Clare, and the Franciscan Family: Their Stories" (BWLS Unit 1) by Sr. Mary Gurley, O.S.F., Ed.D.

**Feb. 23** - "The Franciscan Identity: frater minor and soror minor" (BWLS Unit 2 and 5) by Trevor Thompson, M.A.

**March 9** - "A Response to Global Economics from a Franciscan Perspective" (BWLS Unit 11) – by Fr. Michael Cusato, O.F.M., Ph.D., and Todd Palmer, Ph.D.

**March 16** - "The Franciscan Mission in the World: Peace-Making in a Culture of Violence" (BWLS 9) by Jean François Godet-Calogeras, Ph.D.

**March 23** - "The Franciscan Mission in the World: Brother Sun and Sister Moon – A Franciscan View of the Environment" (BWLS Unit 13) by Fr. Jud Weiksnar, O.F.M., J.D., and Br. Joe Kotula, O.F.M.

Also featured is "World Day for Consecrated Life" especially targeted to introducing Franciscan life and vocation to University students. On Sunday, Feb. 13, from 6 to 7 p.m. in the University Club, there will be a student dinner and sharing of vocational stories with friars, sisters and secular Franciscans.

According to Donius, "Nearly 50 participants found this to be a wonderful evening last year, so we look forward to even more students signing up this time around." Students may sign up in the Merton Center.

These events will be sponsored by the Franciscan Council, University Ministries and the Journey Project.

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GWUMC.

"We at St. Bonaventure are very pleased and excited about our dual admissions agreement with the School of Medicine and Health Sciences at the George Washington University Medical Center," said Dr. Michael Domboski, assistant to the dean of Arts and Sciences for Pre-Health Care Programs at St. Bonaventure.

"GWUMC's School of Medicine is one of the foremost medical universities in the country. For the individual that is truly motivated for a career in medicine and that has the credentials to be accepted into this program, this is an opportunity for her or him to enter SBU and know that, in four years hence, she/he has a reserved seat awaiting them at this very prestigious institution of medical education. The need to take the very stressful Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) is also eliminated," said Domboski.

"The SBU/GWUMC agreement is a part of the Franciscan Health Care Professions (FHCP) program, designed to attract top students into the sciences at SBU while assuring them a seat in a professional health care graduate school. Part of our Franciscan mission of diversity, and helping the less fortunate, is to encourage rural poor and minority participation. At present, SBU also has affiliations with Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine and LECOM School of Pharmacy. We are also developing agreements in dental medicine and physical therapy," Domboski added.

The agreement between St. Bonaventure and GWUMC is a dual admissions agreement that allows the

incoming SBU student, accepted into the SBU/GWUMC dual admissions medical program, to have a reserved medical school seat at GWUMC. The student is simultaneously admitted into SBU and GWUMC. To remain in satisfactory standing in the program, there are both academic and comportment standards that are required to be maintained.

The accepted individual will complete Phase I at SBU, consisting of four years of undergraduate education as a biology major. He or she will then begin Phase II consisting of four years of medical education at GWUMC. If students maintain the requirements of the program while at SBU and then at GWUMC, eight years after entering SBU, they will receive their B.S. degree from SBU and their M.D. or medical degree from GWUMC.

Applying students must have a 1300 or higher SAT score or 29 ACT, have a 90 percent high school average and have been in the top 10 percent of their high school class. Students must also provide letters of recommendation and a personal statement. Community service is evaluated and taken into consideration.

While in their first four years of the 4+4 SBU/George Washington medical program at St. Bonaventure, students are required to have an overall GPA of at least 3.3, including a cumulative 3.3 in all math and science courses with no grade lower than a B- in any course. They must also complete a 10-week "summer of service" internship in a rural poor or urban health care facility administering to the underserved poor. Finally, there are character and comportment requirements that must be maintained.

# Campus Events

## Vocalist Michel Bell to perform 'America in Song' on Feb. 11

Formerly a member of the Fifth Dimension, Michel Bell will perform "America in Song" at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 11, at The Regina A. Quick Center for the Arts at St. Bonaventure University.

Bell is equally adept as Broadway star, opera singer, actor and TV personality. USA Today called Bell "a major vocal discovery." Bell ended the last century on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in front of the President and First Lady, singing to more than 600,000 people at "America's Millennium," the New Year's Eve 2000 celebration.

On the Broadway stage, Bell received a Tony Award nomination for his portrayal of "Joe" in Hal Prince's production of "Show Boat."



Again on Broadway, he starred in the Frank Wildhorn musical "Civil War" at the St. James Theatre, and earned an Outer Critic's Circle Award. Most recently, he appeared on Broadway at the Gershwin Theatre as vocal soloist in "Riverdance: The Musical." Bell is especially known for his emotional portrayal of "Porgy" in Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess," which he performed in the United States, Berlin, Cairo, Tokyo, Pompeii, Paris and Eritrea.

Bell has performed with many entertainment greats including Frank Sinatra and Bing Crosby.

Ticket prices are \$18, employees and subscribers \$15, SBU and JCC students with valid ID \$8. The Quick Center will extend its evening gallery hours for this performance, opening one hour before curtain. For more information, call the center at ext. 2494.

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3. Strengthen teaching, learning, research and scholarship at St. Bonaventure University;
4. Build upon existing areas of excellence within St. Bonaventure University;
5. Address specific contemporary and anticipated future needs, both on and off campus; and,
6. Contribute to the economic viability of St. Bonaventure University.

While applications that focus on SBU's undergraduate students and programs will receive priority, signature programs are intended to "establish our reputation and attract quality students, as well as become models for delivery of undergraduate [and graduate] education at SBU."

After the first round of proposals was submitted, one signature program, the Pacioli Project, a joint initiative of

the School of Business and School of Franciscan Studies that promotes ethics in business curricula, was approved, while two more are in development. Between one and three signature programs is expected to be approved in the current round.

Signature program proposals, with one "hard copy" and one electronic copy to be submitted to Betty Boardman in Saal's office, are due by Sept. 19, 2005. The On-Campus Planning Committee will review the proposals and make recommendations to the Board of Trustees Planning committee prior to the March 2006 meeting, which should enable selected programs to begin during the 2006-07 academic year.

An insert in this edition of *Inside Bona's* offers guidelines for submission. Questions may be addressed to Saal at ext. 2121 or skipsaal@sbu.edu.

## Calendar

**'Malcolm Brown:  
The Rhythm of Place'**  
7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 1  
The Regina A. Quick  
Center for the Arts

**Harlem Globetrotters**  
7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 7  
Reilly Center Arena

**'Music for the Mountain'**  
7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 7  
Doyle Dining Hall

## Scholar on Gandhi to speak Monday at SBU

By Kelly Voll '06

Dr. Douglas Allen, a professor at the University of Maine, will give a free talk on "Mahatma Gandhi in the Contemporary World: Truth, Nonviolence and Peace Action," followed by a discussion.

The talk will be at 7 p.m. Monday, in Dresser Auditorium of The John J. Murphy Professional Building. This event is open to the University community and the general public. It is sponsored by the University's Visiting Scholars Committee and by the School of Arts and Sciences.

Allen is a professor of philosophy at the University of Maine and served as the chair of the philosophy department from 1998 to 2003. Allen also served as the president of the International Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy from 2001 to 2004. He has authored and edited 13 books and more than 60 scholarly articles and book chapters and is currently completing two books: "Comparative Philosophy in Times of Terror" and "The Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi for the Twenty-First Century."

Allen spent a year at Banaras Hindu University on a Fulbright grant and returned to India later on Smithsonian Institution Fellowships.

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it shows," said Dr. Palmer, assistant professor of management sciences and SBU SIFE advisor. "You could tell the Bahamian people really appreciated us coming, but even more grateful were our students."

The students spent their days working at St. Vincent de Paul's school and church and the surrounding community while spending their evenings preparing for the next day's task, communicating in group reflection and getting to know one another.

"It was amazing to see how close 40 people could become in one week," said Corin Lendway, SBU senior and SIFE club president.

SIFE students are now focusing their efforts back toward St. Bonaventure's surrounding communities. They continue to work with local schools, while preparing for another service trip to the country of Panama.

SBU SIFE programs in the Bahamas include:

**Stone Soup:** Targeted at middle school students, this program uses the Internet to create a linkage between the students of the Grand Bahamas and Olean, New York. SIFE members teach entrepreneurship classes and lead students in creating an actual product.

**BIZCOM3:** This program utilizes computer games to teach kids the fundamentals of marketing and business; in this case helping the students to understand their island's local economy through the use of the game Cruise Ship Tycoon.

**Bootstrappers:** Teaching assistants are placed within classrooms helping the teachers over the course of a week. SIFE members lead the students in exercises emphasizing teamwork, cooperation and leadership.

**Advancing Computer Excellence:** ACE aims to enhance people's knowledge of the Internet and computer programs. SBU SIFE team members teach evening classes to adult learners in such programs as Word, Excel, PowerPoint and EBay.

**Hurricane Relief/Other service:** SBU SIFE service team members assist in anyway possible—hurricane cleanup, relief and general service.

*News makers*

**John Hanchette**, assistant professor of journalism and mass communication, and **Fr. Dominic Monti, O.F.M.**, professor of the theology department and former interim president, took part in a panel discussion on the relationship between government and religion in light of Bradford Little Theatre's upcoming production of "The Crucible." The panel was held Jan. 19 in Fisher Hall's Rice Auditorium at the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford as part of Pitt-Bradford's Social Sciences Seminar Series.

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**Dr. Rick Knott**, assistant professor of physical education had his article, "The Jack Johnson v. Barney Oldfield Match Race of 1910: What It Says About Race in America," published in the January 2005 issue of *Afro-Americans In New York Life and History*.

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**Dr. Barbara Trolley**, assistant professor of counseling education at the University's Buffalo Center, has been asked by Doug Morissey, president of the New York State School Counseling Association, to begin a statewide professional journal for school counseling and to serve as its initial editor in chief. Trolley has surveyed editors of similar state journals, developed a format, submission criteria and protocol for journal review, and is in the process of surveying and selecting an editorial board and consultants. The journal's debut is slated for summer of this year.

*Friday Forum*

**"Evangelicals, 'Moral Values,' and the 2004 Election"**

presented by Dr. Chris Stanley

Noon to 1:30 p.m. Friday  
University Club  
Lunch \$2.50 each

*Sr. Patrice Klausing to coordinate strategic planning*

At her first Friday Forum as president, Sr. Margaret Carney, O.S.F., S.T.D., announced the formation of four strategic planning committees to examine the areas of Athletics, Student Life, University Ministries and Diversity Action. Coordinating the work of those four committees, in conjunction with the On-Campus Planning Committee, will be Sr. Patrice Klausing, O.S.F.

Sr. Patrice, a Bernardine sister whose community is based in Reading, Pa., holds master's degrees in religious studies and pastoral counseling. She has served as both a counselor and an adjunct faculty member at Alvernia College in Reading as well as taught Clare College courses as an adjunct professor at SBU. She has also worked as an administrator and co-director of communications for her congregation, and is an experienced counselor and facilitator.

Sr. Patrice's charge is to assist the president and provost in developing communications between and among the newly created planning committees. Her responsibilities include assisting committee leaders and facilitators with development of agendas, reports and logistics; working to ensure that reports, meeting schedules, etc. are shared by committees in a timely manner; conducting meetings of the chairs and facilitators to support their work and coordinate their efforts; arranging for committees to work collaboratively when such cooperation is called for; and assisting in the preparation of the interim and final committee reports to the provost and president.

An initial meeting of the committees was held Monday. First reports from each committee are expected by June.



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The next issue of *Inside Bona's* is slated for Thursday, Feb. 3. To submit items, please e-mail to [inside-bonas@sbu.edu](mailto:inside-bonas@sbu.edu) by noon Tuesday, Feb. 1. Questions may be directed to Christie Mendola, editor, at [inside-bonas@sbu.edu](mailto:inside-bonas@sbu.edu) or to Suzanne Wilcox English, director of media relations, 216 Francis Hall, at ext. 2376 or [senglish@sbu.edu](mailto:senglish@sbu.edu).