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### *SBU to recognize Houghton with honorary degree*

Former U.S. Rep. Amory Houghton, recently retired after serving since 1987 in the House of Representatives, will receive an honorary doctorate in honor of his outstanding record of public service at the University's 145th Commencement Exercises, slated for May 15 in the Reilly Center Arena.



Prior to his retirement, Houghton was the fifth-ranking Republican on the powerful House Ways and Means Committee, chaired its Oversight Subcommittee, and was a member of the Trade Subcommittee, among many other committee assignments.

His legislative accomplishments include enactment of several laws including the Liberty Zone Act, which provided \$5 billion in tax breaks and incentives to help New Yorkers in lower Manhattan rebuild in the aftermath of Sept. 11, 2001, the Clean Diamond Trade Act that curbs the trade in conflict diamonds from Africa, measures to reform the campaign finance system, and the bill that awarded the Congressional Gold Medal to then-South African President Nelson Mandela. In addition, Houghton sponsored several proposals to simplify the tax code.

Along with U.S. Rep. James T. Walsh, Rep. Houghton assisted in securing more than \$10 million in Housing and Urban Development and NASA funds for the expansion and renovation of DeLaRoche Hall, St.

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### **St. Bonaventure sophomore wins McGowan Scholarship**

*By Kelly Voll '06*

The University's School of Business announced sophomore Sarah McCue, who is earning a double major in accounting and finance, as a winner of the 2005-2006 McGowan Scholar Award.

The McGowan Scholar Award is given by the McGowan Charitable Fund in honor of the life and accomplishments of William G. McGowan, the founder and chairman of MCI Communications Corp. The purpose of the scholarship is to "recognize academic achievement and excellence of performance of students pursuing a major offered by the business school of the college or university." The scholarship also



"rewards excellence of character and other exemplary qualities, including curiosity, a spirit of innovation and entrepreneurial potential."

To be considered for the scholarship, applicants must be full-time students enrolled in a program offered by a business school. Applicants must have one letter of recommendation from a business faculty member and a minimum grade point average of 3.0 and write a 1,000-word essay about the contributions of William G. McGowan to today's business world

In her essay, McCue, who hails from Newark, N.Y., wrote, "William McGowan added a larger vision and an entrepreneurial means of expanding MCI into a

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### *Trustees commit to campaign; Trisciuzzi named associate VP, campaign director*

The University's Board of Trustees has committed to proceeding with a capital campaign and have chosen a director for the process. Andrea Trisciuzzi, previously senior director of fund raising, has been named associate vice president for development and campaign director.

In an April 5 statement to the campus community on "The University's Fund-Raising Future," University president Sr. Margaret Carney, O.S.F., S.T.D., said the Board at its March 18 meeting "enthusiastically endorsed the continuation of the campaign and

authorized us to begin planning for the launch of the public phase of the campaign during Francis Week activities this autumn."

Sr. Margaret also expressed her pleasure with the choice of Trisciuzzi, who she said "brings a broad experience in fund raising and a deep understanding of the University's mission to these new responsibilities.

"Working closely with me and Dave Ferguson, vice president for University Relations, Andrea will be the key architect

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for our fund-raising strategies as we head into this important phase of the campaign," Sr. Margaret said.

"Andrea is an experienced and seasoned professional who enjoys the confidence and trust of staff, faculty, trustees and donors," Ferguson said. "I am very pleased she has accepted this new senior leadership position and I look forward to working with her in the months and years ahead."



Trisciuzzi, whose appointment took effect April 1, joined the University community in August 2001 as major gifts officer.

In January 2003, she was named senior major gifts officer, responsible for working with the University's top-level gift prospects and overseeing other gift officers. In November of the same year, Trisciuzzi was named senior director of fund raising, working with her own portfolio of donors as well as managing the University's gift officer staff including major

gifts, annual fund and research.

Prior to coming to St. Bonaventure, she served as grants director for the Long Wharf Theatre, New Haven, Conn., as associate director of development for the Manhattan Theatre Club and as senior development associate for The 92<sup>nd</sup> Street YM-YWCA.

Trisciuzzi also has an extensive background in opera production, having served as managing director of the European Touring Opera Company based in Manchester, N.H. and various positions with the Houston Grand Opera, Chautauqua Institution and Cincinnati Opera.

She holds a bachelor of arts degree in art history from Brown University, Providence, R.I., and earned a bachelor of fine arts in music, summa cum laude, from SUNY-Purchase.

**Students inducted into Sigma Delta Pi**

Two St. Bonaventure students were inducted into the XI Delta chapter of Sigma Delta Pi, the national Spanish Honor Society, on March 14.

Both students are from New York and include junior Meghan Moran from Avon, a Spanish major; and junior Heather Denby from Oneida, a Spanish/psychology major with a minor in philosophy pre-law.

Membership in Sigma Delta Pi, the largest foreign language honor society, is open to all students who have completed at least three years, or the equivalent, of college Spanish, including at least three semester hours of a third-year course in Hispanic literature or Hispanic culture and civilization. They must also have a grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.

SBU's chapter adviser is Dr. Leigh Simone, assistant professor of modern languages, and current officers are Kathleen Dempsey, president; Sarah Macchiano, vice president; and Deb Holihar, secretary.

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competitive nationwide telecommunications network that successfully broke AT&T's monopoly over the industry and paved the way for successful competition in the telecommunications industry, and on a larger dimension, the business world in general."

McCue has a wealth of work experience on her résumé, including jobs with the WCTA Federal Credit Union in Newark, the American Red Cross in Olean, N.Y., and St. Bonaventure, where she worked as a tutor for a statistics class.

McCue is a member of Delta Mu Delta, the National Business Honor Society, and is on the Dean's List. She has received many awards, including the Wayne ARC Business Study Award, the Business Leadership Award and the Prudential Spirit of Community Award. She has also received a Friar's Scholarship of Merit, the Donald K. Rhine Scholarship and the Arcadian Foundation Scholarship.

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Bonaventure's science building.

"During his years in Congress, Amory Houghton worked tirelessly to promote partnerships between like-minded people in business, government, higher education and others in order to achieve their goals, with astonishing results," said University president Sr. Margaret Carney, O.S.F., S.T.D. "We are pleased to be able to recognize his nine productive terms of Congressional service."

A congressman who married moderate social programs with conservative fiscal policy, Houghton founded the John Quincy Adams Society, an issues forum that brought together moderate legislators and business leaders, and was a founding member of the Republican Main Street Partnership, which seeks to strengthen the political center. He also co-chaired the D.C.-based Faith and Politics Institute.

Houghton's 29th Congressional District, newly redrawn prior to his retirement, covers parts of eight counties from Cattaraugus County to Chemung County and north to southern Monroe County, including the cities of Olean, Hornell, Corning, Elmira, Canandaigua and the southern suburbs of the city of Rochester.

The only former CEO of a Fortune 500 corporation to serve in the House,

Houghton joined Corning Glass Works, now Corning Inc., in 1951, after receiving bachelor's and master's degrees from Harvard University and serving in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1945-46. He received numerous awards and citations including the Electronic Industries Alliance Medal of Honor, which cited Houghton as the "father of fiber optics" for his support of research at Corning that resulted in the revolutionary communications material. Corning, Inc., founded by the Houghton family in 1851, is a world leader in glass and ceramics technology including fiber optics and photonics.

In an interesting tie to the Commencement speaker, Dr. Kathryn Sullivan, the first woman to walk in space and a shuttle astronaut, Corning, which supplied Thomas Edison with the housing for his first light bulb, also provided windshields for NASA's space shuttle fleet.

Before entering Congress, Houghton served on the boards of several major corporations including Procter & Gamble, IBM, Citicorp, New York Telephone, B.F. Goodrich and Genentech. Appointed by President Reagan to the Grace Commission in 1982, he served as the panel's vice-chairman.

# Campus Events

# Calendar

## Award-winning Chicago playwright visiting St. Bonaventure this week

When Keith Huff's award-winning play "Dog Stories" finishes the SBU Theater season later this month, the playwright will be in the house. Huff is coming to St. Bonaventure University to teach a workshop for SBU creative writing students, to work with student actors and to see his play on the Garret Theater stage.

"Dog Stories," which contains adult language and subjects, opened Wednesday and will be performed at 7:30 p.m. through Saturday in the Garret Theater.

"Dog Stories" has been done in educational settings before, at Eckerd College and the University of Iowa, where it won a New Play Award and earned Huff an award as Outstanding Playwright. But "Dog Stories" is definitely new to SBU and to this region.

"When Keith sent me the script I read it and immediately knew it was something I wanted to do with our students," Simone says. "Dog Stories" features a cast of 10 student actors, including some new to SBU Theater. They're all excited at the prospect of meeting Huff and getting his feedback on their performances.

"Dog Stories" follows Ira Cadwalader,

a widower, and his faithful dog, Sebastian, as they travel across the country in search of happiness. Along the way they meet other lost souls who have very shaggy tales to tell.

"Keith asks in his play if we're better off with the human self-awareness that makes us worry and weep, or are animals the ones who are better off because they don't have it," Simone said. "I'm also reminded of Mark Twain's line: 'Man is the only animal who blushes ... or needs to.'"

Cast members include freshman Stephanie Nikolaou, sophomores Jennifer Albanese and Emily-Rose Maher, juniors Gabriel Potter and Kara Manning, and seniors Megan Murray, Phil Ortolani, Andrew Kneller and Mike Sneddon, and high school senior Kimberly Payne.

There will be an audience talk-back with the playwright, the director and the cast immediately following Friday night's performance. Free student rush seats are available for SBU and JCC students. Ticket prices are \$8 for the public, \$6 for subscribers and free for SBU students with their student ID. For more information phone the box office, ext. 2494.

## Search for associate VP comes to a close

The search committee for the new position of associate vice president for Academic Affairs has concluded its work for the current academic year.

In consultation with Dr. Frank E. "Skip" Saal, provost and vice president for Academic Affairs, for whom the new position was created to provide assistance when additional duties associated with the position of provost were added to his responsibilities, the committee agreed to terminate the search without making an offer to any of the three finalists who visited campus.

The three candidates who made on-campus visits met with various campus

constituencies and had opportunities to meet members of the campus at large. The search committee welcomed input from members of the campus community who met with each candidate.

"While we were impressed with the skills, qualifications and experiences of the finalists in our search for an associate vice president for academic affairs, we concluded that the assets they would bring to the position are not an ideal match for our current needs," said Dr. Peggy Yehl Burke, dean of the School of Education and chair of the search committee. "We are therefore bringing the current search to a close."

A new search will begin in early fall.

### Memorial Day Care Packages for alums in Iraq

12:30 - 1:30 & 2:30 - 3:30  
Today and Friday  
Reilly Center Lobby

**Morning Call  
Executive Breakfast Series**  
with presenter Leslie Braksick  
8 a.m. Friday  
Premier Banquet Center

**Dog Stories**  
7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday through Saturday  
The Garret Theater

**Last Day of Classes**  
Wednesday, May 3

**Reading Day**  
Thursday, May 4

**Graduate Candlelight Ceremony**  
8:45 p.m. Friday, May 13  
On the steps of Plassmann Hall

**Baccalaureate Mass**  
4:30 p.m. Saturday, May 14  
Reilly Center Arena

**145th Commencement Ceremony**  
10:30 a.m., Sunday, May 15  
Reilly Center Arena

## Spring Weekend '05

### Today

4 p.m., Softball tournament begins  
8 p.m., Reel Big Fish Concert  
Reilly Center Arena

### Friday

4 p.m.- 7 p.m., Midway games & food  
booths on the outdoor basketball courts  
4 p.m., Softball games begin

### Saturday

9 a.m., Softball games begin  
11 a.m. - 7 p.m., Midway games & food  
booths on the outdoor basketball courts  
Noon - 5 p.m., caricature artist  
& airbrush tattoo artist  
2- 5 p.m., Student band, Stop Seven,  
performing on outdoor stage

### Sunday

9 a.m. - Noon, Softball games

## Newsmakers

**Dr. Michael Chiariello**, dean of Clare College and professor of philosophy, has been nominated to serve on the Executive Council of the Association for General and Liberal Studies. The council is a national organization for higher education faculty and administrators who share a commitment to the centrality of general and liberal education in the undergraduate experience.

In addition, Chiariello and **Dr. Charles Walker**, professor of psychology, presented on assessment in Clare College at the AGLS Conference in October 2004.

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**Fr. Michael Cusato, O.F.M.**, director of the Franciscan Institute and dean of the school of Franciscan studies, recently attended the inauguration of Fr. Mario DiCicco, O.F.M., as sixth president of the Franciscan School of Theology in Berkeley, Calif. During the Franciscan Symposium held to honor the occasion, Fr. Michael presented a paper titled "Of Snakes and Angels: The Mystical Experience Behind the Stigmatization Narrative of 1 Celano."

**Fr. Robert J. Karris, O.F.M.**, a member of the research faculty of the Franciscan Institute, presented a lecture on April 16 at the same symposium on "The Christology of St. Bonaventure and His Views of the Evangelical Life."

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Four members of the Department of English delivered papers at the spring meeting of the New York College English Association on April 15-16 at Siena College. **Dr. Lauren de la Vars**, chair of the English department and Executive Director of NYCEA, spoke on "Feminizing Colonial Africa: the Queen of Sheba and H. Rider Haggard's *King Solomon's Mines*." **Dr. John Mulryan**, Board of Trustees Professor of English and former President of NYCEA, delivered a paper titled "No Exit: A Parodic Reading of Satan's Round Trip from Hell to Eden in Milton's *Paradise Lost*." Two graduate students in English and members of the Learning Fellows program also participated in the conference. **Alexandra Svendsen** spoke on "Nabokov, Cervantes, and the Spain

Between." **Alisa M. Smith-Riel**, who addressed the conference on "A Mythical Map of a Mythical Place: Faulkner's Yoknapatawpha County in *As I Lay Dying*," was awarded a \$50 prize for presenting the best graduate student paper at the conference.

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**Dr. M.W. Jackson**, assistant professor of English, presented his paper titled "Scientific Discourse and the 'True History' of the Novel: The Veracity and Satiric inversion of the Author's Apology" at the 2005 American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies conference held in Las Vegas. The paper was part of a two panel session titled "Into the Bustle: Negotiating the Status of Science During the Restoration and Early Eighteenth Century" and examined the influence of 17th-century scientific writing on the development of the early English novel and its attempts at building authorial credibility.

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**C. H. "Pete" LeRoy**, associate professor of health education, presented a workshop at the national convention of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance held recently in Chicago. The topic of the workshop was "Taking a Course via the Internet." He also served on the professional development committee of the American Health Education Association at the same convention and presided over a two-hour research project focused on the topic of childhood obesity.

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**Chris Mackowski**, associate professor of journalism, had a commentary aired on WBFO April 26. The commentary was a tribute to Dr. Robert Laing, a professor at Pitt-Bradford, who established the Dr. Robert C. Laing Creative Arts Awards and recently died. The commentary gave background into why Laing was able to inspire so many young student artists—and how that has carried on into Mackowski's teaching.

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**Dr. Marybeth Miller**, associate professor of physical education, and Dr. Kim Muschaweck, director of education at Beacon Light Behavioral Health Systems, presented a research poster presentation

titled "Building Service Learning Upon Inclusive Field Experiences: A Model Undergraduate Program" at the 2005 Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) International Convention and Expo April 8 in Baltimore, Md. The presentation addressed an inclusive early childhood motor development service learning field experience's design, implementation, assessment, and meeting teacher education standards for the National Council on Accreditation of Teacher Education, National Association for Sport & Physical Education, CEC and Service Learning. The project is supported in part by a Journey Project subgrant.

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**Dr. Russell Woodruff**, assistant professor of philosophy, gave a presentation to students and faculty of the School of Management and Engineering Technology at Alfred State College on April 20. His talk, "Theory, Context and Conduct: How a Little Philosophy and Social Science Can Help Us Do the Right Thing," introduced basic ethical principles and presented practical advice for students who want to work for organizations without compromising their ethics.

## Friday Forum

"AN EXHIBIT OF  
STUDENT RESEARCH AND  
CREATIVE ENDEAVORS"

Noon to 1:30 p.m.  
Quick Center Atrium  
Lunch \$2.50 each



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