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Psych students present at national meeting

By Katie Fish

Four St. Bonaventure University psychology students and their professor — Dr. Charles Walker, professor of psychology — conducted two studies on “flow experience” that were accepted by the American Psychological Society (APS) and presented on May 28.

Heather Denby, a junior psychology major from Oneida, N.Y., Daniel Carini, a junior psychology and science major from Eden, N.Y., and Danielle Cerullo, a senior psychology major from East Setauket, N.Y., conducted a study titled “Audience Facilitation of Flow Experience: A Field Experiment.”

Their study of a Beirut tournament — a game played by throwing ping-pong balls into cups of soda or beer — revealed how audiences give criticism or praise to contestants to keep players and themselves “in the flow zone.”

Flow is a pleasantly absorbing

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Students' awareness project featured on international Web site

By Dusten Rader, '07

Inspired by what they learned about human trafficking during a visit to Franciscans International, seven St. Bonaventure University students organized a demonstration called “Women for Sale!”



Online community for alumni planned

Reconnecting with friends and former classmates will soon be just a click away, thanks to the new SBU Alumni Online Community slated to launch by year's end.

“We value our alumni and want to make staying in touch as easy as possible,” said Joe Flanagan, '74, director of alumni services. “This exclusive, password-protected online community will allow alums to ‘chat’ with old friends and share information on

their family and career through our Web site.”

Once registered, members of the community will be able to customize their personal member profile, look up classmates and friends through a variety of search fields, view alumni news and events, and explore the University Career Center pages to post résumés, job openings or volunteer to be a mentor. Additionally, this free service, exclusive to alumni, allows members to visit the

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Special Reunion Edition

Their work, which raised awareness on campus, is currently being featured on the Franciscans International Web site, <http://www.franciscansinternational.org/news/article.php?id=774>

The project began in April when the seven young women and University minister Fr. Patrick Tuttle, O.F.M., through the University's Franciscan Center for Social Concern, made a formation visit to Franciscans International (FI) and the

United Nations in New York. At FI, the students discussed social justice issues with youth outreach coordinator Catherine Bordeau, One of those issues — human trafficking — sparked the students' interest and set them on a course to inform society about it.

When the students returned to SBU, they decided they wanted to inform their peers about the issue. On May 3, students

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SBU SIFE students rank in top 40 in the nation

By **Dusten Rader, '07**

The University's Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) chapter successfully competed in the 2005 SIFE Nationals on May 22 in Kansas City, Mo. They finished first runner-up in their league placing them among the top 40 teams in the nation, and in the top 5 percent of nearly 900 schools nationwide.

SIFE is a global organization dedicated to instilling entrepreneurship, business ethics and an enhanced understanding of

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state of mind in which people lose a sense of time. It seems to happen when people use highly developed skills to gracefully dispatch challenges suddenly thrust upon them. Flow is more intense when the challenges are important and meaningful and feedback from the environment is immediate and clear.

"Their results have implications for understanding the role of audiences in musical performances and athletic competition — for example, giving a partial explanation of 'home court advantage,'" said Walker. "Their results suggest that audiences vicariously enjoy the flow they are witnessing and therefore have a need to keep who they are watching in flow."

The students also discovered that audiences are more likely to facilitate flow in the performances of teams rather than individuals, which could explain the popularity of watching team sports over individual sports.

"We set up a Beirut tournament with both singles and doubles brackets, and we measured expressions of joy, audience criticism, audience support, inebriation levels and game performance over two-minute time intervals," Denby explained. "We observed a main effect of joy over time in the individual and team conditions. This means that joy increased over time for both the individual and team players. These results strongly support the flow theory we tested."

Denby said the experience was one she truly enjoyed. "It was a whole new experience to run the study that we designed. When Dr. Walker told us he was

the global economy in local schools. This year the SBU chapter worked with schools in Olean, Houghton, Cuba, Little Valley and Scio.

The presentation team, consisting of Corin Lendway and Karyn Wolf of Rochester, N.Y., Jennifer Schiffino of Suffern, N.Y., Nikki Dellapenta of Corfu, N.Y., Kyle Bull of Hockessin, Del., Jessica Manocchio of Elma, N.Y. and Brian Harper of Fairport, N.Y., presented their local and international

thinking about submitting it to a conference, I thought that was amazing; when we were accepted I was blown away!"

Michelle Ballerstein, a junior psychology and science major from Rochester, N.Y., along with Walker, presented a study titled "Effects of Social Interdependence on the Experience of Flow."

Walker and Ballerstein noticed in prior research that the emotion of joy varied with social conditions, with the lowest levels of joy reported by people performing alone and the highest by people doing complex tasks with others.

"Joy is the signature emotion of flow experience," said Walker. "We designed a simple experiment to demonstrate the effect of social interdependence on the experience of flow. Singles or doubles played pickleball; however, to increase social interdependence, we asked doubles players to pass the ball to each other at least once before volleying it across the net."

Walker and Ballerstein found that the simple change in instructions produced significant differences in the fun and joy felt and displayed even though the players made more mistakes. Their results partially explain why social flow experiences are more intense than solitary flow experiences.

Both studies were conducted in Walker's experimental social psychology lab course (Psychology 303), an upper-level course that invites students to use scientific methods and procedures in the study of complex social psychological phenomena.

projects, most notably *Stone Soup*, which teaches entrepreneurship via the Internet. So far this year, SBU SIFE teams have traveled to Hunters, Grand Bahamas, and Panama, establishing links between Olean students and the rest of the world.

"Last year we were in the top 60. Next year we will be in the top 20. I feel that with the tremendous support we receive from our friends and with the hard work and dedication of our students that a national championship within three years is not out of the question. We've had such an extraordinary year and next year promises to be even better," said Dr. Todd Palmer, SIFE adviser and assistant professor of management sciences at SBU.

SIFE turned in a top performance at the 2005 SIFE Regional Competition with five awards, \$3,500 and the invitation to the Kansas City nationals. They took first place overall and swept the individual awards in their league. Out of the 23 attending schools, SBU was the only chapter to accomplish this.

Move-Out helps others, cuts waste

Move-Out 2005 marked the University's second successful year in providing donations to local communities in need.

The Move-Out program has a dual purpose — to keep reusable items out of the landfill during student move-out and to help those in need by donating these items to various organizations. This year some 2,300 pounds of clothing and food, plus 40 rugs, were collected, along with 1,000 pounds of textbooks.

Other items collected included dishes, utensils and Tupperware, two microwaves, three televisions, a VCR, two computers, five computer chairs, three coffee tables and 13 lamps. After the items were collected they were delivered to charitable organizations in the local community.

Campus Events

Reunion Weekend packed with events, reconnect time

More than 800 alumni from the classes of '40, '45, '50, '55, '60, '65, '70, '75, '80, '85, '90, '95 and '00 will return to St. Bonaventure this weekend for a round of activities and plenty of time to reconnect.

"The reunion weekend is like a big family gathering and we again expect to have a capacity crowd," said alumni director Joe Flanagan, '74.

Events taking place **Friday** include:

Alumni can register from 10 a.m. to 1 a.m. at The Regina A. Quick Center for the Arts. Campus tours, departing from The Quick Center, will be held at 1:30 and 2:30 p.m.

To golf (Saturday), sign up for a tee time in The Quick Center lobby from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A Mass for the Class of 1955 and prior will be held in the University Chapel at 4:45 p.m. with a cocktail reception and dinner following in the Doyle Hall Dining Room.

The following classes will meet at the listed locations for cocktails at 6:15 p.m. and dinner at 7:30 p.m.:

- Classes of '60, '65 and '70 — Ho-Sta-Geh Restaurant, Rock City Road
- Classes of '75 and '80 — The Old Library Restaurant, 116 S. Union St.

The classes of '85, '90, '95 and '00 are invited to "Party Under the Stars" from 6 to 9 p.m. under the tent by the Hickey Dining Hall. There will be food, a cash bar and music.

An alumni social will be held in the tent outside Hickey from 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

A tour of the Observatory will be held at 9:30 p.m. at the facility located behind the Reilly Center, just west of the baseball field. On **Saturday**:

Breakfast will be served at the Hickey Dining Hall from 7:30 to 9:45 a.m. From 9 to 10 a.m., *New York Times* journalist Dan Barry, '81, will be signing copies of his book, "Pull Me Up," at the University Bookstore. At 11 a.m., alumni are invited to meet SBU

president Sr. Margaret Carney, O.S.F., S.T.D., in the Athletic Hall of Fame, Reilly Center.

Golf will be held at the St. Bonaventure University golf course from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Alumni can visit Mt. Irenaeus anytime during the day. Maps and directions can be picked up in The Quick Center lobby. Carpools will leave The Quick Center at 10 and 11 a.m.

Fr. Dan Riley, O.F.M., '64, will present "Thomas Merton: The Man and the Monk" at 10 a.m. in the Rigas Family Theater.

A planned giving seminar will take place at 10 a.m. in The Quick Center.

Alumni can visit University Archives on the ground floor of Friedsam Memorial Library from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The following buildings will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for Open House:

- ROTC, Reilly Center, Room 17 (10-11 a.m.)
- Friedsam Memorial Library
- Athletic Hall of Fame, Reilly Center
- Koop Broadcast Journalism Lab, John J. Murphy Professional Building
- Department of Computer Science, DeLaRoche Hall (1-2 p.m.)

The Franciscans will host a luncheon from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. outside the Hickey Dining Hall.

At 1:15 p.m., Sr. Margaret will dedicate the new doors on the Rigas Family Theater. Also, there will be a presentation of the award for "Best in Show" for the 30 Under 30 juried exhibition. An artist's reception will follow until 3 p.m.

The Class of 1955 Reception will be at 1:30 p.m. in the Athletic Hall of Fame Room in the Reilly Center.

At 1:30 p.m., an overview of SBU's May 2006 pilgrimage to Assisi, Italy, will take place in The Quick Center.

A special look inside the Friedsam Memorial Library Rare Book Collection will be held at 1:30 p.m. in the library.

An update on the addition to SBU's science building, DeLaRoche, will be held at 2:30 p.m. in Dresser Auditorium of the John J. Murphy Professional Building.

At 3 p.m., there will be a guided tour of

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SBU Family Picnic

Friday, June 24

See you there!

Fall Semester Begins

Monday, Aug. 29

"Online community" continued

alumni store and also enjoy real-time chats on the alumni message board. Another bonus alums can enjoy is the rotation of images, facts and trivia questions found on each page.

The new online community is the result of many dedicated hours and creative work by Bill Grossman, Web systems administrator, and Mikel Shilling, database support specialist, of SBU's Technology Services.

"Technology Services has worked closely with Joe Flanagan to develop this online community," said Grossman.

"With his guidance we have developed a number of features that will benefit our alumni. One feature that we are excited about is our searchable alumni directory. This feature provides a simple and effective way for alumni to reconnect with their classmates and friends. Furthermore, alumni can update their profile online to ensure that the directory has their latest information."

The Quick Center for the Arts.

A reception for all Varsity B Club members and former varsity athletes is slated for 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the Athletic Hall of Fame.

The Alumni Memorial Mass will be held at 4:30 p.m. in the University Chapel, after which alumni will gather for the alumni/faculty cocktail party from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m., followed by the banquet in the Reilly Center Arena.

Other highlights of the evening will include the announcement of the Annual "Stax" McCarthy Alumnus/a of the Year Award. Music, dancing and the famous dessert reception will follow dinner.

Alumni Weekend will conclude **Sunday** morning with a Farewell Breakfast from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. and Mass at 10:30 a.m.

News makers

Dr. Mary O. Adekson, assistant professor of counselor education, has been invited to present a paper, "Techniques Used by Yoruba Traditional Healers of Nigeria: Reflections for Current Applications," at a conference, "African Healing Wisdom: From Tradition to Current Applications and Research," set for July 6-9 in Washington, D.C.

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Mario Arce, a 2005 graduate, was named the 2005 Northeast Region winner of the Intercollegiate Tennis Association's Arthur Ashe Award for Leadership and Sportsmanship. Named for the late tennis star, the award goes to a player who has "exhibited outstanding sportsmanship and leadership as well as scholastic, extracurricular and tennis achievements."

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Dr. Kevin Borgeson, assistant professor of sociology, was recently an invited guest speaker on the topic of "Hate Crimes and Civil Rights K-12" for the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office. The training took place at Bridgewater State College and was co-sponsored by the Massachusetts Aggression Reduction Center.

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Sr. Margaret Carney, O.S.F., S.T.D., St. Bonaventure University president, gave the keynote address at Hilbert College's 44th Annual Commencement on May 14. She addressed 310 graduates, the largest class in the college's 47-year history, and received an honorary degree along with longtime benefactor Barbara Connors.

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Lee Coppola, '64, dean of the Russell J. Jandoli School of Journalism and Mass Communication, was the subject of the cover article in the April 2005 issue of "Living Prime Time," a Western New York tabloid "For Baby Boomers and 60-Plus." The four-page article, "Journalism's Renaissance Man," covered his life from childhood through his current position and featured 18 photographs including one of him and actor James Caan, whose film "Hide in Plain Sight" was based on articles Coppola wrote while covering the Mafia as an investigative reporter in Buffalo.

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Fr. Daniel Dwyer, O.F.M., University

trustee and associate professor of history at Siena College, received the Jerome Walton Award for Excellence in Teaching on April 30. Fr. Dan's department chair, Dr. Jim Harrison, praised his teaching as superior, noting he "maintains lively discussion and interjects pointed, analytical questions that challenge the student to go beyond the obvious. ... Dan has consistently shown a commitment to the growth of history as a discipline, (and) his value to the department is immeasurable."

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A sizable contingent of **Franciscan Institute** faculty and staff made the journey to Kalamazoo, Mich., for the International Medieval Congress held annually at Western Michigan University. The Institute sponsored six sessions during the four-day event. Session One centered around the theme of *Franciscans at Prayer: A Roundtable*, with **Fr. Michael Blastic, O.F.M.** representing the Institute.

Session Two focused on *The Pontificate of John XXII and the Franciscan Order* and featured the research of Girard **Etkorn** of the Institute, among others. Session Three presenters dealt with *The Stigmatization of Francis of Assisi: New Perspectives I* and included **Fr. Michael Cusato, O.F.M.**, director of the Institute and dean of Franciscan Studies, and **Jacques Dalarun** Doino Visiting Professor at the Institute, among others.

Session Four investigated *Giving Peace a Chance: Franciscans, Sufism and the Crusading Movement*. Session Five looked at *Medieval Franciscans and Music*. Session Six developed *The Stigmatization of Francis of Assisi: New Perspectives II* further.

Franciscan Institute Publications was also represented, bringing some recent publications to the attention of those in attendance.



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The next issue of *Inside Bona's* is slated for **Thursday, June 9**. To submit items, please e-mail to inside-bonas@sbu.edu by noon Tuesday, June 7. Questions may be directed to **Suzanne Wilcox English**, director of media relations, 216 Francis Hall, at ext. 2376 or senglish@sbu.edu.

NCAA grants SBU certification, gives 'vote of confidence'

The National Collegiate Athletic Association's NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Certification has certified St. Bonaventure's Department of Athletics, the NCAA announced May 19.

The designation of "certified" means that St. Bonaventure is operating its intercollegiate athletics program in substantial conformity with operating principles adopted by the Division I membership. In addition, any problems identified during the course of St. Bonaventure's self-study or the NCAA peer-review team's evaluations either were corrected within the past year or were not considered to be serious in nature.

All NCAA Division I members must complete the process once every 10 years. The purpose of athletics certification is to ensure integrity in the institution's athletics program and to assist institutions in improving their athletics departments.

"Trafficking, continued"

Patrice Patterson, Jessica Taylor, Sharon Holdvogt, Danielle Frownfelter and Elizabeth Chugg spotlighted the issue with "Women for Sale!", a demonstration focused on human trafficking. The women dressed as "women for sale" and carried signs with shocking information that illustrated the horrors of human trafficking. They also carried a petition on which they gathered thousands of signatures in support of solidarity, as Franciscan youths against human trafficking.

Fr. Patrick, who accompanied the students on their trip, found himself just as influenced as the young women. "I am shocked and have been led to action due to the number of victims," which total more than 1 million a year, with the United States and Europe the primary offenders, he said, adding that the issue is deeply held by the women of the center and activities will likely continue next year.