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DEAN'S LETTER

Dear alums and friends of the Jandoli School,

As the Jandoli School of Communication's 75th anniversary year comes to a close, I want to start by thanking you for your commitment to this school, whether you just graduated or graduated many years ago.

I tell every prospective student about the special culture of the Jandoli School, one that goes back to Dr. Russell Jandoli quoting Luke to many of you: "To whomever much has been given, of him much will be required." This school thrives because of how our alums pay it forward to the generations of students who follow them.

Among the alums who best exemplify this culture are Carole McNall, '75, and Chris LaPlaca, '79.

LaPlaca spent two weeks with us this semester as the Lenna Visiting Professor, talking with students and sharing insights from his more than 40-year career at ESPN. Unsurprisingly, it was special and inspirational.

McNall spent more than 20 years as a dedicated faculty member and beloved mentor to countless students. She made the difficult decision to retire in December, but we celebrate her devotion to this school and our students. She truly made a difference and represents the best of the Jandoli legacy.

As we look forward, construction on the major expansion and renovation of the Murphy Building is about to begin with the Henretta Communication Center addition as the first piece. This transformative project will provide our students and faculty with a dynamic learning environment. The generosity of hundreds of donors has made this moment possible, and we have raised more than \$10 million for the Murphy project so far.

I want to highlight three ways alums and supporters have come together to make a difference: Graduates from the Class of 1990, led by Julie Sheedy, collectively raised \$50,000 to support an outdoor teaching space; Carol Schumacher, '78, and Joan Licursi, '65, have worked with mentees, classmates and colleagues of Tom Mosser, '65, to raise hundreds of thousands of dollars to name the Thomas J. Mosser Strategic Communication Wing in his honor; and, most recently, classmates, friends and family of Shane Colligan, who died just weeks before his graduation in 2003, raised more than \$50,000 to name a student lounge in his name. These examples show the power of Jandoli Bonnies working together.

Our work is not done, however. We still need to raise nearly \$2 million more to complete the project. You can give using this link: <https://netcommunity.sbu.edu/donation-pages/donate-to-the-jandoli-campaign> or you can connect with [advancement](#).

Our students, faculty, staff and alums make us proud every day and I am honored to lead this school and share their stories with you. Thank you for your support of the Jandoli School of Communication.

Sincerely,
Aaron Chimbél
Dean



Dean Aaron Chimbél with Chris LaPlaca, '79, after introducing him as the Lenna Visiting Professor.

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DR. MARY A. HAMILTON WOMAN OF PROMISE

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CLAIRE FISHER AND ELLIE FOLEY NAMED DR. MARY A. HAMILTON WOMAN OF PROMISE



Seniors Claire Fisher and Ellie Foley were celebrated as the co-recipients of the 2025 Dr. Mary A. Hamilton Woman of Promise Award by the Jandoli School in a ceremony March 19. It marked the first time two women were honored with the Award. Foley is also the first sister of a previous recipient to receive the award. Grace Foley was the 2023 recipient.

Fisher, from Scotch Plains, New Jersey, is majoring in communication, social justice & advocacy with minors in both theology and political science.

Fisher has been the co-president for Her Campus at St. Bonaventure since May 2023 and the co-president of Jandoli Women in Communication, alongside Ellie Foley, since October 2022. She has also been a radio host for WSBU-FM and wrote for The Bona Venture Newspaper and PolitiFact New York. She is a communication intern for Mt. Irenaeus and in the summer of 2023 worked in Manhattan at Marino PR. Last summer, Fisher travelled with the Summer Study in Sorrento, Italy, program. She hopes to move to Washington, D.C., after graduation in May to work in event planning and public relations for a nonprofit.

Foley, from Somerset, Massachusetts, is a strategic communication major with a minor in marketing. Foley has been the manager and a choreographer for the SBU Team Dance since 2022 and the co-president of Jandoli Women in Communication, alongside Fisher, since October 2022. She has also been a radio host for WSBU-FM and is a student worker in the Jandoli school.

Outside of St. Bonaventure, Foley has worked as a communication and marketing intern at Cattaraugus Regional Community Foundation and as a social media manager for Clancy's restaurant on Cape Cod. In the summer of 2024, she participated in the Summer Study in Sorrento, Italy. Foley finds joy in raising money for Making Strides Against Breast Cancer and the Dana Farber Cancer Institute. She frequently volunteers with her family at fundraising events aimed at supporting cancer research. Foley plans to move to Boston, Massachusetts, and work for a healthcare nonprofit in the donor relations department.

The Woman of Promise Award, named in honor of Dr. Mary A. Hamilton, '59, recognizes female seniors who excel both academically and outside the classroom, setting an example for their peers. The ceremony featured alumna Maddie Gionet, '13, the director of marketing for the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation as the keynote speaker.

BUILDING BRIDGES: A CONVERSATION ON COMMUNITY AND INCLUSION



The forum allowed participants to express their thoughts and feelings on issues related to access and belonging and to ask questions. Their feedback will be used to identify patterns and implement changes that enhance access and belonging in the Jandoli School.

Among the topics discussed were ABAG's recent accomplishments and the planned renovations of the Murphy Professional Building.

When completed, the state-of-the-art facilities will meet the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Standards for Accessible Design. It will also feature a gender-neutral restroom, a sensory room for individuals with sensory processing disorders, disabilities, or cognitive conditions, and a lactation room to support parents.

The Jandoli School of Communication's Access and Belonging Advocacy Group (ABAG) brings together faculty and students dedicated to making the Jandoli School a welcoming place for everyone. As part of its outreach initiatives in the 2024-2025 academic year, ABAG hosted a forum on April 2 called Building Bridges: A Conversation of Community and Inclusion. Facilitating the conversation was Dean Aaron Chimbel, Dr. Tara Walker, ABAG Coordinator Scott Sackett and Fr. Stephen Mimnaugh, O.F.M., vice president for Mission Integration at SBU.



JANDOLI WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Spring 2025

IN HER WORDS: CONVERSATIONS THAT EDUCATE, EMPOWER, AND ELEVATE

ABAG and Jandoli Women in Communication hosted a crossover event for Women's History Month, "In Her Words: Real Talk." It was a daylong event with four sessions all about the intersectionality of being a woman. The goal of this day was to mirror the concept of a Ted Talk and give people the opportunity to listen to other perspectives.

The overarching theme for Women's History Month is "Moving Forward Together! Women Educating & Inspiring Generations," which was something that the groups wanted to incorporate into the event.



Seneca Nation: Dr. Lori Quigley, '81



Franciscan Feminism: Sister Donna Del Santo and Sister Jean Klimczak



Women in the Media: Dr. Tara Walker



Gen Z Panel: Ryley Cleveland, Genevieve Blumberg, Jez Fayson, Audney Burnside and Astou Sibide

SENIOR AWARDS

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2025

Mark Hellinger Award

A senior who has demonstrated academic excellence and genuine promise In the Jandoli School of Communication.

Allie Elkins



2025

Mark Hellinger Award Honorable Mention

A senior who has demonstrated academic excellence and genuine promise In the Jandoli School of Communication.

Jefrey Canova



2025

Jandoli Award

This award goes to a senior who has excelled in journalism.

Delainey Muscato Gannon Horning

Recipient

Honorable Mention



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2025

Kappa Tau Alpha Senior Scholar

A graduating senior student who has been recognized by the Kappa Tau Alpha (KTA) honor society for achieving the highest grade point average within their chapter.

Annika Spitzer



2025

Mosser Award

This award goes to a senior who has excelled in strategic communication.

Gabriella Taylor

Recipient

Dylan Hernandez

Honorable Mention



2025

Koop Award

This award goes to a senior who has excelled in broadcast.

Anthony DaSilva

Recipient

Patrick Vogel

Honorable Mention



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2025

Paul Wieland Award

This award goes to a senior who has excelled in sports media.

Stephen Scheppner **Jefrey Canova**
Recipient *Honorable Mention*



2025

Fr. Cornelius Welch Award

This award goes to a senior who has excelled in photography

Jack McCann **Colby Gaines**
Recipient *Honorable Mention*



2025

Mary A. Hamilton Woman of Promise

This award recognizes a Jandoli School of Communication female student who has excelled in & out of the classroom, set an example for peers & demonstrated great promise for success in future endeavors.

Claire Fisher **Ellie Foley**
Co-recipients



2025 TAPESTRY DIVERSITY AWARD



Jefrey Canova
Undergraduate Recipient



Maribel Zarate-Rodriguez
Graduate Recipient

This award goes to a Jandoli School student or group of students for excellent original work and/or significant efforts that address social justice, belonging, multiculturalism, diversity, bias, equity, or inclusion. Examples include broadcasts, videos, podcasts, blogs, and other digital content, news stories, articles, photographs, visual media, advocacy, events, advertisements or marketing communications materials that speak to diversity, equity and inclusion. A significant single work, a series of projects or materials, or achievements over a student's or team's time at Bonaventure can be honored.

HELLINGER SAVE THE DATE

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ELKINS, CANOVA AND HENRETTA TO BE HONORED



ALLIE ELKINS
2025 HELLINGER RECIPIENT



JEFREY CANOVA
2025 HELLINGER HONORABLE MENTION



DEB HENRETTA, '83
2025 ALUMNA OF THE YEAR

2025 HELLINGER AWARD LUNCHEON

TUESDAY, OCT. 14, 2025
NATIONAL PRESS CLUB
WASHINGTON, D.C.



FEATURING:
A CONVERSATION WITH WOLF BLITZER
CNN ANCHOR

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS VISIT ST. BONAVENTURE'S JANDOLI SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION FOR COMMDAY 2025



“This is one of my favorite days of the year,” said Aaron Chimbél, dean of the Jandoli School. “I love seeing the excitement and passion of area high school students for the field of communication.”

More than 250 students and teachers from 15 area high schools attended the Jandoli School of Communication’s 2025 Communications Day at St. Bonaventure April 4.



CommDay, originally called Press Day, has a long history at St. Bonaventure dating back to 1936. Since 1987, it has been known as Communications Day.



This year, students participated in workshops on writing, artificial intelligence, disinformation, photography, advertising, media effects, local news, social media, sports broadcasting, and innovation in broadcast news.

Chris LaPlaca, '79, the retired senior vice president of corporate communications at ESPN, delivered the keynote address. He retired from ESPN on Dec. 31, 2023, as the longest-tenured behind-the-scenes employee in ESPN’s history.

In addition to the workshops, the high school students had the opportunity to submit their best work for the CommDay competition in video, photography and writing categories. The winners will be granted scholarships if they attend St. Bonaventure. The scholarships will be continued each year, up to four years, for students who major in one of the Jandoli School undergrad programs.

LAPLACA, '79, SERVES AS 2025 LENNA VISITING PROFESSOR AT SBU, JCC

Chris LaPlaca, '79, spent more years than anyone behind the scenes at ESPN. He talked about the network's rise from "scrappy startup to global icon" March 26.

The talk was the highlight of LaPlaca's two-week visit to the area as the 2025 Lenna Endowed Visiting Professor. The Lenna program is sponsored by Jamestown Community College and St. Bonaventure and features programs on both college campuses.



A 1979 journalism and mass communication graduate of St. Bonaventure, LaPlaca spent 43 years contributing to ESPN's growth at every stage of its ascension to become the industry leader in sports broadcasting.

He retired on Dec. 31, 2023, departing as the longest-tenured behind-the-camera employee in ESPN history. Only Chris Berman and Dick Vitale have been at ESPN longer. LaPlaca joined the network in July 1980, just 10 months after ESPN went on the air. Since 2008, he served as senior vice president of Corporate Communications, working closely with every ESPN leadership team throughout his tenure. This included worldwide internal, public and media relations strategies with oversight of consumer, corporate and employee communications. LaPlaca sat at two leadership tables: ESPN's and The Walt Disney Company's corporate communications group, and worked in close collaboration with Disney's investor relations team on matters involving ESPN.

LAPLACA, '79, SERVES AS 2025 LENNA VISITING PROFESSOR AT SBU, JCC CONT.



LaPlaca received the Corporate PR Professional of the Year Award from PR News in 2014; was inducted into the PR News Hall of Fame in 2015; and was named to PRWeek's Hall of Fame in 2020.

A longtime supporter of St. Bonaventure who serves on the Jandoli School of Communication's Advisory Council, LaPlaca has been honored several times by his alma mater:

- 1995: Named the Jandoli School's Alumnus of the Year, awarded to a graduate who exemplifies the highest professional standards and for service to the journalism program at St. Bonaventure.
- 2001: Received the Jandoli School's John Domino Award for Excellence in Sports Media.
- 2003: Was inducted onto the Jandoli School's Wall of Distinguished Graduates.
- 2017: Received an honorary doctorate at Commencement and served as keynote speaker.
- 2024: Named an SBU Alumnus of the Year at Reunion Weekend.

The Lenna Endowed Visiting Professorship, established in 1990, is funded through gifts from the late Betty S. Lenna Fairbank and Reginald A. Lenna of Jamestown. It is designed to bring scholars of stature in their field to St. Bonaventure and JCC for public lectures.

SBU STUDENTS BROADCAST FROM RADIO ROW

Students from St. Bonaventure's campus radio station, WSBU 88.3 FM "The Buzz," broadcast from Super Bowl 59 "radio row" at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center in New Orleans.

Students were previewing the Super Bowl between the Kansas City Chiefs and the Philadelphia Eagles. They also had the chance to sit down with high-profile guests each afternoon.



The trip marks the seventh time and the fourth year in a row that "The Buzz" — annually ranked among the top student-operated college radio stations in the country — broadcast from Super Bowl radio row. Beginning with Monday's opening night, which featured media availability with coaches and players from the Chiefs and the Eagles, Jandoli School student Kameron Melendez was part of interviews with the likes of Saquon Barkley, Jalen Hurts, Travis Kelce and Patrick Mahomes. "It's been mind-blowing," said Melendez, who served as The Buzz's production manager that week. "I've been starstruck the whole time."

"As soon as I got to Bonaventure, I stepped right in from day one," Melendez said. "It's almost the same as being an athlete. You don't want to be late and make the coach mad. You always want to battle for that spot. As long as you're working, there isn't any reason for anyone to turn you down."

The first person Melendez sought out during Monday's opening night was another Jamestown native, Eagles head coach Nick Sirianni.

"I introduced myself as 'Kam Melendez from Jamestown,'" he recalled. "(Sirianni) was like, 'Just the guy I wanted to see.'"

Added Melendez: "He was just super happy and he noticed I had Bonaventure gear on. I asked him a question related to Jamestown and he answered it very well."

For the full article click [here](#).

SIENA/SBU SURVEY: 61% SAY NFL PROMOTES VALUES MAKING U.S. BETTER



The Jandoli School partnered for the third consecutive year with the Siena College Research Institute on the American Sports Fanship Survey. Social issues in sports was one of the key topics covered. By 61-14% Americans say that professional football promotes values that make the United States a better country, according to the poll.

A large majority (57-14%) say that professional football does more to overcome racial discrimination in America than it does to perpetuate it and by 61-24% they support athletes having slogans such as “End Racism” on their helmets. By 54-15% they think the Rooney Rule requiring teams to conduct interviews with minority candidates for vacant coaching jobs is good for sports.

“As the politics of DEI – diversity, equity and inclusion – are being heatedly debated, this survey finds respondents think football promotes core American values and the sport works to overcome not perpetuate discrimination,” said Aaron Chimbel, dean of the Jandoli School. “A decided majority support a policy that some might consider DEI that promotes minority coaches getting an opportunity to be hired for the top jobs and an overwhelming majority supports players or teams displaying slogans, including ‘End racism’ on the back of their helmet or on the field.”

Respondents did identify several issues on which the NFL still needs to improve.

Significant pluralities say that the NFL is not penalizing athletes enough where there is evidence of them committing domestic violence (39%) or sexual assault (40%). Only 26% of Americans say that the NFL is doing an excellent job protecting athletes from concussions and related brain injuries and there is overwhelming support (79-8%) for rule changes aimed at lessening the possibility that players in the NFL suffer from neurological injuries. By 74-8%, respondents are in favor of requiring the NFL to have independent doctors decide whether an injured player can continue to play.

To read the full press release click [here](#). In-depth details on the survey can be **[found here](#)**. Some other topics that are covered are NIL and the transfer portal, streaming services, sports fanship and transgender athletes.

DICK JOYCE SPORTS SYMPOSIUM

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OPEN DISCUSSION ON ISSUES IN SPORTS TODAY

The Dick Joyce Sports Symposium brings together sports journalists and professionals for an open discussion of issues of the day.

The 2025 symposium was moderated by Amy Moritz, '95, who is a former sports reporter at the The Buffalo News and is currently a professional in residence in sports media in the Jandoli School.

The panelists were: Bob Beretta, '87, Vice President and Athletic Director, St. Bonaventure University; Michael "Mex" Carey, '94, Associate Director of Athletic Communications, Michigan State University; and Rachel Lenzi, College Sports Enterprise Reporter, The Buffalo News.



ABOUT DICK JOYCE, '60:

A sportswriter for The Associated Press for nearly 20 years, Richard "Dick" Joyce died in 1988 at the age of 53. The Brooklyn, New York, native specialized in covering horse racing and college basketball for the AP, as well as acting as supervising editor on the sports desk. Joyce joined the AP's broadcast department in July 1968 and moved to the sports department within a year. Prior to his tenure with the AP, Joyce worked at United Press International, NBC and The New York World Telegram & Sun.



Pictured: St. Louis Cardinals legend Stan Musial and Dick Joyce

Before graduating from St. Bonaventure in 1960, Joyce, who was well known for his "Tomahawk" column, spent three semesters as sports editor of The Bona Venture, the campus weekly newspaper. Joyce is remembered as a gentle giant, an impeccable writer with a keen news sense and a compassionate, dedicated professional.

WALL OF DISTINGUISHED GRADUATES

Donna Ditota, '83, has spent nearly 40 years as a sports reporter for her hometown Syracuse Post-Standard, becoming the first woman to be named the New York Sportswriter of the Year in 2023. She was elected to the U.S. Basketball Writers Association's Hall of Fame in 2024.

On Feb. 21, she became just the 26th graduate added to the Jandoli School's Wall of Distinguished Graduates, joining Pulitzer Prize winners Robert Dubill, John Hanchette, Charles Hanley and Dan Barry, New York Times bestselling novelist Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney and three-time Emmy winner Victoria Corderi, among others.



“I’m thrilled to be added to the Wall of Distinguished Graduates,” Ditota said. “There are people who have won Pulitzer Prizes on that wall! Many thanks and big Bona hugs to those who believed I belonged among them.”

Ditota was also a four-year starter and two-time team MVP for the women’s basketball team.

JOHN DOMINO AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN SPORTS MEDIA

Michael “Mex” Carey received the 2025 John Domino Award for Excellence in Sports Media from the Jandoli School. Carey is the associate director of athletic communications for Michigan State University, serving as the primary contact for the university’s men’s basketball program and Hall of Fame coach Tom Izzo.



It’s the latest stop in an impressive collegiate sports communications career, which included 12 years as the assistant athletic director for communications and sports information director at Georgetown University with previous stops at Siena College and St. John’s University.

In 2019, Carey was awarded the CoSIDA (College Sports Information Directors of America) 25-year award for his work in sports communications.

"What I learned at St. Bonaventure and what I have carried forward for more than 30 years in this business is the importance of caring for people," Carey said. "I may not be the best or sharpest at what I do, but I think what you learn at Bonaventure is how to care for one another, how to communicate with people and build relationships. That’s what this business is all about — being able to talk with each other and listen to each other."

Carey was honored at a dinner on St. Bonaventure’s campus Feb. 24.



The award is named after John Domino, a 1984 St. Bonaventure graduate who worked for both NBC Sports and ESPN. Domino died from cancer in 1994. The Jandoli School of Communication celebrates his courage, skill and humanity by presenting the John Domino Award to a St. Bonaventure graduate who has excelled in their sports media career.

CAROLE MCNALL RETIREMENT

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Carole McNall, '75, who joined the Jandoli School faculty full-time in 2003, retired at the end of December. Her close friend and colleague Anne Lee, '76, paid tribute to her.



Dean Chimbél gave me an assignment: Write a tribute about recently retired Jandoli School faculty member Carole McNall. Carole is a legend, who is loved by students and colleagues alike.

And I am a journalist, who, like Carole, did my early training as a journalism major at St. Bonaventure University. We were students of Dr. Russell J. Jandoli, the program's founder. She graduated in 1975; I graduated in 1976.

I remember meeting Carole when I was a very shy freshman and she was a very friendly sophomore student worker in the journalism department office. That was early in 1973. In 2011, my husband Rich and I returned to St. Bonaventure. And Carole became our very friendly colleague and eventually, our next-door neighbor. But, since I have long been in the habit of getting information for my stories from sources, I reached out to alumni and to students to illustrate who Carole is and how she affects people.

I started with the 2020, 2021 and 2022 Hellinger recipients.

Cameron Hurst, the 2020 winner, responded (in part):

"When I think of Carole McNall, I don't necessarily think about her lectures. I think about our after-class conversations or a doorway chat outside of her office, accompanied by a piece of chocolate and a bit of sarcasm, served in equal measure. The agenda always included the Buffalo Bills, our local newspapers and libraries, or some obscure copyright infraction.

"Carole always brought a sharp wit, a healthy dose of cynicism, and the sort of ethical clarity that made you want to be better — because you knew she expected it. As such, we tried like hell to 'stump the lawyer.' We usually lost. ... Carole is beloved because she shows up — fully and consistently — for every one of her students. So, it should have come as no surprise when a 2007 graduate drove through the night from Manassas, Virginia, just to speak to a 9:30 a.m. JMC 101 class. A year later, Danica Roem made history as the first openly transgender state legislator in U.S. history. That's how highly Carole is held by those who know her — that former students like Roem would, literally, go out of their way to pay her kindness forward."

CAROLE MCNALL RETIREMENT CONT. *Spring 2025*

Mike Hogan, the 2021 recipient, responded (in part):

“If I had to make a list of people who made my experience in the Jandoli School so impactful, Carole McNall would undoubtedly be near the top. I took almost every course she offered and had her as my faculty adviser for The Bona Venture newspaper, in which she invested so much of her time and expertise over the years. Carole showed tremendous care for me as a student, aspiring journalist/communications professional and person. I fondly recall our post-class walks from Plassmann to her office in Murphy, during which we would chat about her beloved Buffalo Bills, journalism or my recent BV article ... I always knew I could count on Carole for advice, support and anything else I needed to be successful during my time at SBU and after it.”

Meghan Hall, the 2022 recipient, responded:

“Carole McNall is a steadfast supporter of her students, both during and after their time at Bonaventure. Her kind heart, sneaky wit and lifelong joy for learning make the perfect combination both inside and outside the classroom. I know I’m one of many who feels grateful for her influence.”

Next on my list was Conor Amendola, a junior media studies major. And he wrote (in part):

“Carole was one of the first faculty members I met at Bonaventure and was one of my first professors in my college career. But she was much more than just a professor. Not long after I started my time at Bonaventure, we would often chat about current events in her office, or we would talk about our shared experience of living in Erie County, Pennsylvania. After I joined the board of WSBU, the campus radio station which Carole advised, in the spring of my first year, we would chat about radio, too. Talking to her gave me a lot of perspective on what I was doing as a director and how I could help make the station better ... Carole challenged me to think critically and lead with purpose, and I will never forget what I learned from getting to know her.”

And her student fans are so willing to give back. Junior journalism major Joe DeBell willingly helped me with the care of her two 10-year-old cats, Miss Kitty and Tigger, when I had to travel in the fall. (The cats were taken into foster care at the start of November.) Junior journalism major David Scibilia answered my request for a BonaResponds team to take care of some water damage in her home that happened as the result of this winter’s freezing temperatures.

I also reached out to my closest friend from the journalism program, Terri Oleszkiewicz Esperon, who was among the class of 1976 J majors who occupied Fourth Floor Loughlen with Carole. She wrote:

“What I remember about Carole is she was always a very smart, kind, caring down to Earth person. She never forgot a person after she met them. She always had a kind word and was always willing to encourage or help. I hadn’t seen her in years but we were in touch occasionally. When I visited her when you became neighbors or maybe colleagues, all that distanced us disappeared.”

Terri’s story about Carole is much like mine – except that I have the privilege of seeing Carole often.

SORRENTO, ITALY, STUDY ABROAD



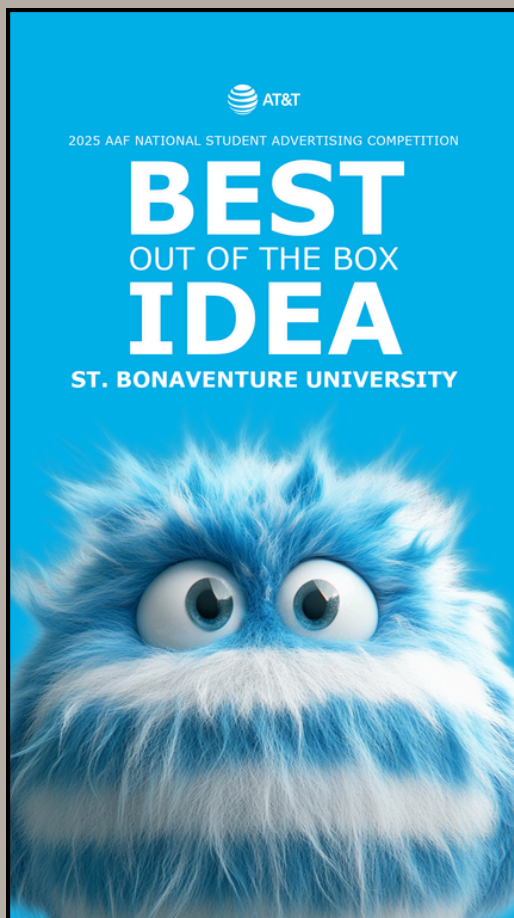
Through the Sorrento, Italy, study abroad program this summer, 12 students will learn global business and strategic communication through a hands-on approach. The students will focus on creating an integrative marketing communication campaign for St. Stephen's Church, an important historical and cultural landmark on the island. The church is located on Capri Island, along the Amalfi Coast. Their project aims to inform millions of English-speaking tourists about the church and its historical significance.

Led by Jandoli School faculty member Anna Bulszewicz, '07, this five-week immersive experience will allow students to engage in mobile learning excursions, including meetings with local stakeholders and visits to other historical sites around Capri. The program's hands-on approach empowers students to merge classroom learning with real-world application, providing valuable insights into global marketing strategies.



AAF WINS BEST OUT OF THE BOX CREATIVE AWARD

St. Bonaventure University's AAF chapter returned to New York City to deliver their campaign for AT&T as part of the American Advertising Federation's National Student Advertising Competition in April. They challenged the norms of traditional advertising and rather than using the traditional budget and playing it safe, they reimagined the brand for Gen-Z, leaning into fresh, unexpected ideas that made their campaign stand out. Because of this, they received an award for "Best Out-of-the-Box Idea."



NEIL CAVUTO

FOX NEWS ANCHOR NEIL CAVUTO DEPARTS AFTER 28 YEARS



Neil Cavuto, '80, joined Fox News at its inception in 1996. On Dec. 19, he signed off from his long tenure at the cable network and the Fox Business Network.

Fox said in a statement, “Neil Cavuto’s illustrious career has been a master class in journalism and we’re extremely proud of his incredible 28-year run with Fox News Media. His programs have defined business news and set the standard for the entire industry. We wish him a heartfelt farewell and all the best on his next chapter.”

Even before Cavuto addressed his exit, each of the guests on his final show saluted him. Reporter Aishah Hasnie called him a hero, and billionaire investor Ken Fisher said, “if you need any help, you will always have a friend in me.”

“You call balls and strikes,” said Bob Cusack, editor in chief of The Hill. “You’re not a yes man.”

In his last segment on Fox Cavuto said, “I’m not leaving journalism, I’m just leaving here...I got to do what I love here — report the news, not shout the news, not blast the news,” adding that his goal was to “tell truth to power and fairness to all. That’s me.”

DR. MICHAEL HILL

HILL NAMED 16TH PRESIDENT OF RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE

The Randolph-Macon College Board of Trustees named Dr. Michael E. Hill, '96, as the College's 16th president. The appointment is effective Aug. 1.

Hill will join the Randolph-Macon community after completing his tenure as President of Chautauqua Institution, an educational community in western New York dedicated to engaged dialogue and cultural enrichment. Hill led a transformation of the 150-year-old institution through new partnerships, new funding sources, and a bold new vision that extends its reach nationwide.



“My appointment at Randolph-Macon is the culmination of a career spent walking alongside young people as they discover who they are and as they dream of who they want to be,” Hill said. “I believe profoundly in the role of learning across disciplines to become a better version of yourself. I am honored and thrilled to return to higher education at a storied institution that has been doing that and more for nearly 200 years.”

Hill was a first-generation graduate of St. Bonaventure, where he was a staff member early in his career. He served on the university's Board of Trustees, culminating his service as the Board's Secretary and co-chair of its most recent presidential search committee. He earned a master's degree in arts and cultural management from Saint Mary's University of Minnesota, and a doctorate in education from Vanderbilt University's Peabody College. He has lectured frequently on nonprofit management to international audiences, trade organizations, and as a visiting lecturer for Georgetown University. He is a member of the Robert H. Jackson Center Board of Directors and a member of the Leadership Network of the American Enterprise Institute.

Hill will succeed President Robert R. Lindgren, who will retire after nearly 20 years as RMC's 15th president in July 2025.

Michael and his husband, Peter, along with their golden retriever, Wilbur, plan to join the Ashland community as residents this summer. As fans of the arts, they look forward to exploring Richmond and being near family in the mid-Atlantic region.

LORI QUIGLEY

DR. LORI V. QUIGLEY HONORED AS TRAILBLAZING WOMAN OF NY

Dr. Lori V. Quigley, '81, professor and chair of Niagara University's Ph.D. in leadership and policy program, was among five women honored as "Living Trailblazers" during an awards ceremony on March 4, presented by the Erie County Commission on the Status of Women and hosted by the Buffalo History Museum in honor of Women's History Month.

The award was given as part of the Trailblazing Women of WNY Monument Project, an initiative whose mission is to elevate stories of the many contributions women from across Western New York have made in shaping the community.



Dr. Quigley's academic achievements, which include numerous awards, are complemented by her deep commitment to preserving Native American histories and promoting Indigenous language reclamation. She is an enrolled member of the Seneca Nation, wolf clan, and has made it her life's work to raise awareness about the truth and complex legacy of Native American boarding schools, offering both a scholarly lens and personal connection to this painful contemporary history.

Dr. Quigley is also a founding member of the Trailblazing Women of WNY Monument Project, and provided critical leadership as a board member of the YWCA of WNY during the challenges of the COVID pandemic and the tragedy of May 14. In her role as interim president of Medaille University, Dr. Quigley's tireless efforts to make education accessible to all, especially those from marginalized communities, had a profound impact on those around her.

ADRIAN WOJNAROWSKI

WOJNAROWSKI HONORED WITH CURT GOWDY MEDIA AWARD



Adrian Wojnarowski, '91, the award-winning former ESPN sportswriter and current St. Bonaventure Men's Basketball general manager, will receive the Curt Gowdy Media Award.

The award is named in honor of the late legendary sports broadcaster. It is presented to members of the print, electronic and transformative media whose efforts have made a significant contribution to the game of basketball.

"I only had ever hoped to have a career as a sportswriter, and so to me this honor is reflective of all the people who believed in me, gave me opportunities, helped me along this road, and that's what comes to mind first," Wojnarowski told ESPN after the announcement. "So many of my idols, from Jackie MacMullan to Michael Wilbon to Doris Burke to Harvey Araton, have been honored previously, and it's beyond my wildest dreams to be in that company."

Wojnarowski was one of four Gowdy award winners, alongside Michelle Smith, Clark Kellogg and George Blaha.

The Gowdy winners will be honored on Sept. 5 and 6 alongside this year's Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame Class.

DR. GEOFF SHERMAN

SHERMAN WORKS FIRST COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF GAME



Dr. Geoff Sherman, '00, is a lecturer of sport management at Indiana University Indianapolis. He also is a freelance professional sports statistician, working with the MLB, NFL, NBA and various college sporting events. He worked the first College Football Playoff round of 12 game at the University of Notre Dame. Notre Dame defeated Indiana 27-17.

GERARD MONAGHAN

MONAGHAN INDUCTED INTO THE ROTC HALL OF FAME



This spring, St. Bonaventure welcomed Gerard “Jerry” Monaghan, ’67, into the school’s ROTC Hall of Fame. Monaghan graduated with a degree in journalism. After graduation, Monaghan was commissioned into the U.S. Army as an adjutant general corps officer during the Vietnam War. Over the course of 28 years in active and reserve service, Monaghan exemplified what it meant to lead with ethics.

Monaghan’s leadership was defined by dedication to the people behind the mission. As commander of the 18th Military History Detachment, he preserved battlefield lessons through history. Monaghan helped organize the national Purple Heart Bicentennial celebration in New York City and served as the Chief of Public Affairs representative in the Pentagon’s war room during the Gulf War. A trusted voice in military public affairs, he taught journalism through the Defense Information School, edited the Department of Defense’s Gulf War report to Congress, and even contributed to an unpublished book chronicling the history of Army public affairs.

Monaghan, alongside his wife, Eileen, led the transformation of the Association of Bridal Consultants into a global industry leader. Their family also welcomed and supported an Afghan refugee in 2021, helping him and his family start in the U.S., which shows the Monaghans’ ongoing commitment to service.

Monaghan’s legacy is deeply intertwined with St. Bonaventure. His storytelling, military insight, and leadership reflect the values of the Jandoli School. In 2000, he was named the school’s Alumnus of the Year, and to this day, a copy of the Gulf War report he edited resides within its walls. The ROTC Hall of Fame induction honors not just a soldier, but a lifelong advocate of ethics, education, and service.

At 80, Monaghan still fits into the same Army uniform he wore in 1967 — altered only once to take the waist in. That small detail speaks volumes: time passes, but Monaghan’s commitment to service and country never fades.

JACK MILKO

ALUM PLAYS AUGUSTA NATIONAL AFTER RORY MCILROY WON THE SLAM

BY JACK MILKO, MA '23



You know the feeling you get in your hands and fingers when driving through an intense blizzard? The sensation that turns your knuckles white from gripping the wheel so hard, as you try to stay on the road all while doing your best to see 10 feet in front of you? Us Bonnies and Western New Yorkers know that numbing nervousness all too well.

So do those who have had the privilege of driving down Magnolia Lane at the Augusta National Golf Club.

I had the opportunity to do that and play these hallowed grounds the day after Rory McIlroy won the 2025 Masters, and thus completed the Career Grand Slam — an accomplishment only five players had ever achieved before him. It's still surreal to think I was there, walking the same course that he did. Oh, and the Club kept the same pins in place for us, meaning that we played at each one of the Sunday hole locations where McIlroy made history.



But how did I earn a noon tee time on Monday, April 14, 2025, which will undoubtedly go down as one of the greatest days I have ever lived? I won the lottery. Literally.

Each eligible member of the press — those who have not played the course within the past seven years — can enter their name into a lottery that dictates who will play on Monday after The Masters. It's a tradition that goes back decades and further proof that Augusta National treats the media like no other organization.

Upon entry, everyone receives a number and roughly 150 or so hopeful journalists put their names in this year. I received No. 13, which was either a bad omen or the luckiest draw ever.

For the full story click [here](#).

CLAIRE FISHER

FISHER HONORED WITH FRANCISCAN MISSION SERVICE AWARD

Claire Fisher, a senior majoring in communication, social justice and advocacy, received the San Damiano Servant Leadership Award from the Franciscan Mission Service (FMS). Fisher was honored at the Mission Service's 35th anniversary World Care Benefit in Washington, D.C. Fisher, who also minors in theology and political science, was the co-recipient March 18 of the Jandoli School's Woman of Promise Award. The San Damiano Servant Leadership Award recognizes young women and men with "empathetic and service-oriented hearts" who, like St. Francis, heed Christ's call to rebuild his church.



In applying for the award, Fisher wrote: "For much of my life, I struggled with the question: can I combine my love for God with my love of justice? Now, I wonder, how can I not? The two are eternally intertwined. I am able to love and advocate for others primarily because of the love God showed me first. How silly would it be to not extend that to all of His children?"

Maggie Conley, executive director of FMS, said Fisher "recognizes the connection between faith and social justice ... Her clear commitment to weave service into each activity that she leads is why we are proud to honor her. Claire leads and serves joyfully, always inspiring others to hope for a better world." Fisher attended the Franciscan Justice Leadership Conference in 2023 and her experience in environmental lobbying inspired her to advocate for social justice with a heart of faith, Conley said. Fisher has been the co-president for Her Campus at St. Bonaventure since May 2023 and the co-president of Jandoli Women in Communication since October 2022. She established a service branch of SBU's Her Campus chapter to provide monthly service opportunities in local soup kitchens and animal shelters.

Beyond campus, Fisher is a communication intern for Mt. Irenaeus focusing on content creation, as well as a Mountain Community Leader at the Franciscan community 20 miles from campus. Last summer, she traveled to Italy with the Summer Study in Sorrento program, during which she created an integrated marketing campaign for a local Franciscan church and archive.

The FMS prepares and supports lay Catholics for two-year international, one-year domestic, and one- to two-week mission service opportunities in solidarity with impoverished and marginalized communities across the globe.

SPORTS PODCAST

AFTERTHOUGHT SPORTS

AfterThought Sports is a student run media group that is passionately dedicated to bringing unique, personality driven content that is tailored to the new generation of sports fans. AfterThought Sports is comprised of live shows, podcasts and short form media content created by multiple members of the Jandoli School.



AfterThought Sports has something for every sports fan. “Afterthoughts,” a live show hosted by Ryan Lombardi and consisting of a full behind-the-scenes crew of students, contains a weekly fix of analysis and reactions to sports events and news. “Field Goals & Forecasts,” an NFL podcast hosted by Ryan Addeo and James Derrick, delivers in-depth analysis and reactions to news around the NFL. “Above the Rim,” an NBA podcast hosted by Austin Townley, James Derrick and Jack Haskell, gives hot takes and analysis on the NBA season. “Inside the Inning,” an MLB podcast featuring Gavin Watson, Ryan Addeo and Jack Haskell, talks New York baseball and gives reactions to league-wide news from around MLB.



AfterThought Sports includes many other sports podcasts, continuing to grow and offer a creative space for other students to share their opinions.

HEATHER HARRIS

HARRIS TO PRESENT AT VISUAL COMMUNICATION CONFERENCE

Heather Lynn Harris, associate professor and director of the master's program in marketing communication, has been accepted to present her research, "A Sabbatical Exploration of Visual Storytelling," at the 39th Annual Visual Communication Conference (VisComm 39) in Estes Park, Colorado, June 18-22.

VisComm is a distinguished gathering of leading scholars and researchers in visual communication. Harris is among a select group chosen to represent higher education institutions across the United States, contributing to the ongoing advancement and understanding of visual communication in today's world.



HARRIS'S ARTWORK INCLUDED IN NAPA VALLEY RESORT & SPA PROJECT



Artwork by Harris has been licensed by Blanc Space Art, LLC for inclusion in the prestigious Silverado Resort & Spa project in Napa Valley, California.

Harris' Rolling Thunder artwork will be used for a variety of purposes, including interior decoration, promotional materials, film, and marketing efforts.

This licensing agreement is a significant milestone in her artistic career, Harris said, an opportunity that reflects the growing national recognition of her creative work, which she attributes to a strong professional digital presence in addition to her published work. The agreement expands the reach of her work to new audiences and venues across the country.

DR. TAMMY MATTHEWS

MATTHEWS ILLUMINATES SOCIAL INJUSTICE IN SPORTS AS PANELIST



Dr. Tammy Rae Matthews, assistant professor of sports journalism and digital journalism, was a panelist at the 107th Annual Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC) Conference in Philadelphia in August.

The conference's theme was “Representation and Voice — The Future of Democracy.” The panel addressed “Communicating Social Justice in Sports: In the Media, on the Field, and in the Classroom.”

Co-sponsored by the Sports Communication Interest Group and Magazine Media Division, the session explored pressing topics such as athlete activism, digital discourse, and media narratives in challenging societal inequities. The intersection of sports and social justice has emerged as a dynamic and influential force, prompting meaningful discussions about activism, representation, and corporate social responsibility.

Joining Matthews on the panel were moderator Dr. Vincent Peña, DePaul University; Dr. Mackenzie Cato, Kennesaw State University; and Dr. Ever Figueroa, University of Colorado Boulder. The panelists discussed how researchers, educators, and practitioners can effectively communicate social justice in sports to create a more just, equitable, and inclusive sporting environment.

Matthews shared innovative teaching strategies for addressing intersectionality in sports journalism and detailed how such approaches empower students to challenge oppression and foster inclusion in sports and media. The panel offered a compelling vision of how sports communication can confront injustice and inspire transformative progress on and off the field.

As part of the conversation, Matthews previewed her forthcoming chapter, “Intersectionality Shaping Sports Journalism Pedagogy,” in the book “Instructing Intersectionality: Critical and Practical Strategies for the Journalism and Mass Communication Classroom.”

ANNA BULSZEWICZ

PROFESSOR AND STUDENTS PRESENT AT BEA CONFERENCE

**Title:**

Creating Local Broadcast News Content to Engage Collegiate Audiences; A Research-Based and Innovative Semester of News Leadership, Creative Storytelling & Journalistic Practice.

Description:

Broadcast journalism students at St. Bonaventure are committed to building trust within their immediate target audience. They are devoting this year to reimagining and rebuilding a digital news product that informs and engages their peers in an unbiased, truthful, and entertaining way. Through a thorough and inclusive research study, students will track audience feedback, innovatively adjust production, and present insights that could help future news leaders reengage America's Generation Z as informed local news consumers.

Moderator/Panelists:

Panelist: Sydney Labayewski, a junior broadcast journalism major, and Anthony DaSilva, a senior broadcast journalism major

Moderator: Anna Bulszewicz, '07, lecturer

**Also at BEA:**

Jandoli School Dean Aaron Chimbel served on a panel titled "Teaching to Administration: Guidance From Those Who Have Done It!"

ANNE AND DR. RICH LEE

ANNE AND RICHARD LEE REPRESENT SBU AT LOCAL NEWS SUMMIT

Jandoli School faculty members Anne, '76, and Richard Lee, '75, represented the university at the inaugural State University of New York Institute for Local News Summit at SUNY Oneonta on April 10 and 11.



The Lees were part of a group of 40 college professors who gathered to share ideas on how students are covering news in the communities that surround their campuses.

St. Bonaventure journalism students cover communities near the university for TAPinto Greater Olean, an online news site that the Lees co-edit.

Participants in the summit also included three St. Bonaventure graduates who teach at SUNY schools — Marsha Ducey of Brockport, Annemarie Franczyk of Buffalo State and Elmer Ploetz of Fredonia.



ANNE AND DR. RICH LEE

THE LEES PRESENT 'THE STORY OF TARO TSUJIMOTO' AT CONFERENCE

Jandoli School faculty members Anne, '76, and Richard Lee, '75, lecturer and professor, respectively, presented at the Joint Journalism and Communication History Conference at the University of Maryland's Philip Merrill College of Journalism on March 28.

Their presentation was titled "The Story of Taro Tsujimoto, the Japanese NHL Draft Pick Who Never Existed."

Tsujimoto was the creation of the late Paul Wieland, director of Communications for the Buffalo Sabres from 1970 to 1995. Wieland, widely known for hoaxes and pranks, later taught in the Jandoli School. He retired in 2017 and died in 2023.

The conference was cosponsored by the American Journalism Historians Association and the History Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication.



RICH LEE CONTRIBUTES TO AMP SPECIAL EDITION ON SPRINGSTEEN ALBUM



An article by Dr. Richard Lee appeared in AMP: American Musical Perspectives, an academic journal published by Penn State University Press.

Lee's article, "Nebraska Then and Now," was part of a special issue of the journal devoted to Bruce Springsteen's 1982 "Nebraska" album. In the article, Lee writes that the America described in "Nebraska" is much like today's America. He also suggests that hidden beneath the album's themes of hopelessness and despair is a sense of resiliency that characterized America long before 1982 and continues today.

DR. PAULINE HOFFMANN

HOFFMANN SPEAKS AT NYS RURAL HEALTH CONFERENCE ON POLITICAL DISINFORMATION DRIVING PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY

How Political Disinformation impacts Public Health:



We are inundated with disinformation on many fronts including politics and health. That political disinformation is inhibiting us as rural health care evangelists is frustrating and terrifying. The trust we've established within our communities continues to be tested as we feel the need to respond - sometimes as a knee-jerk and sometimes daily - to lies and untruths. Those creating disinformation are honing their tactics and often using artificial intelligence tools to craft messages with wide appeal. They have tapped into our fears and anxieties, removing us from reason. How do we fight back while doing all the other work we have to do and without losing ourselves in the process? How can we also use AI to our advantage in combatting disinformation?

HOFFMANN REPORT AND BLOG TAKE ON UNTRUTHS OF LEAD POISONING

Dr. Pauline W. Hoffmann, '91, associate professor in the Jandoli School, completed the Richard P. Nathan Public Policy Fellowship with the Rockefeller Institute of Government by developing a public policy report and blog post titled "Mis/Disinformation and Lead Poisoning."

The report details the mis/disinformation surrounding lead poisoning in our communities and outlines steps being taken to combat the untruths, including community partnerships, legislation and grant opportunities.

The blog post and report may be accessed here: <https://rockinst.org/issue-area/mis-disinformation-and-lead-...>

DR. CHRIS MACKOWSKI

SCOTTSDALE CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE 2024-25 ED BEARSS MEMORIAL AWARD



The Scottsdale Civil War Roundtable honored the Jandoli School's Dr. Chris Mackowski, professor and associate dean, as the recipient of the 2024-25 Ed Bearss Memorial Award.

The Ed Bearss Award was established by the Scottsdale Roundtable in 2021 in memory of Civil War historian and preservationist Ed Bearss, who appeared at the Roundtable for 20 consecutive seasons.

The award recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions to Civil War history and to the preservation of battlefields and other significant Civil War sites, as well as to Civil War memory.

Mackowski has made an enormous contribution both as an historian and preservationist. Between his writing, speaking, the founding of Emerging Civil War, and his role in preservation, Mackowski's boundless energy and enthusiasm provides an outstanding example for all those who share an interest in promoting the importance of understanding and preserving the memory of America's Civil War.

DR. BRIAN MORITZ

MORITZ PRESENTS AT 2025 SUMMIT ON COMMUNICATION IN SPORT



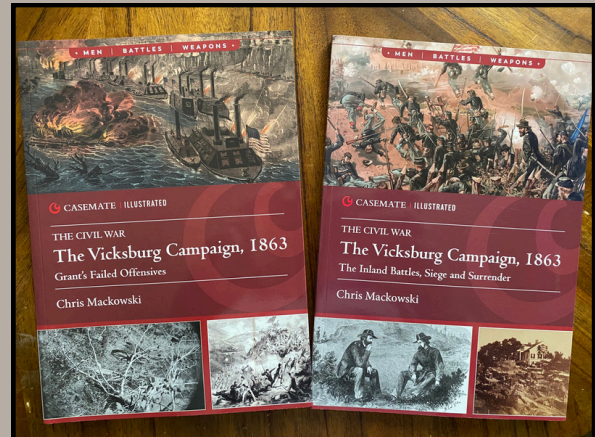
Dr. Brian Moritz, '99, associate professor and director of online master's programs in digital journalism and sports journalism, presented at the International Association for Communication and Sport's 2025 Summit on Communication in Sport, held in Chicago on March 15. Moritz presented his research on the platonic ideal of sports journalism, using essays from "The Best American Sports Writing" series to define idealized sports journalism and its impact on the profession.

DR. CHRIS MACKOWSKI

MACKOWSKI ADDRESSES THE FALL OF VICKSBURG IN TWO NEW BOOKS

The fall of Vicksburg, Mississippi, on July 4, 1863, proved a crucial turning point of the Civil War, although it took Union forces nearly seven months to capture the city.

Dr. Chris Mackowski, professor of communication, chronicles that effort in a pair of new books, "The Vicksburg Campaign, 1863: Grant's Failed Offensives" and "The Vicksburg Campaign, 1863: The Inland Battles, Siege, and Surrender."



Part of the Casemate Illustrated Series, the full-color paperbacks offer reader-friendly overviews of the campaign that split the Confederacy in two, reopened America's most important waterway, and set the stage for Grant's promotion to general in chief of all Union forces, paving the way for Northern victory.

MACKOWSKI PRESENTED FOR AMERICAN BATTLEFIELD TRUST



Mackowski spoke in Mobile, Alabama, in early March for the American Battlefield Trust, where he discussed the surrenders of the Confederacy in a program titled "From Appomattox to Citronelle and Beyond."

Citronelle is a small town just north of Mobile where Confederate Lt. Gen. Richard Taylor surrendered to Union Maj. Gen. Edward Canby several days after Robert E. Lee's famous surrender at Appomattox Court House in April 1865.

On Feb. 12, Mackowski celebrated the 600th meeting of the Cleveland Civil War Roundtable, where he gave a talk titled "Stonewall Jackson at Gettysburg."

Mackowski also made the social media rounds in February:

- He joined "The Tattooed Historian," John Heckman, to discuss their "Top 3 Underrated Moments of the Civil War." [Watch the program.](#)
- Kevin Levin hosted Mackowski for a live chat on "Civil War Memory" to talk about Mackowski's book "A Tempest of Iron and Lead: Spotsylvania Court House, May 8–21, 1864." [Watch the program.](#)
- Mackowski also joined Charlie Watts' "History with Waffles" YouTube page to talk about "Tempest." [Watch the program.](#)

SCOTT SACKETT

YAGER MUSEUM HOSTS SCREENING OF PROFESSOR'S DOCUMENTARY ABOUT THE KINZUA DAM AND NATIVE AMERICANS

The Yager Museum of Arts and Culture hosted a screening April 11 of the documentary “Lake of Betrayal,” a film about the construction of the Kinzua Dam, which flooded the ancestral lands of the Seneca Indigenous people in Western New York. The film’s creative team, Paul Lamont, Scott Sackett, a lecturer in the Jandoli School, and Caleb Abrams were in attendance and discussed the film and answered audience questions.



Released in 2017, “Lake of Betrayal” charts how the Kinzua Dam, built in 1965 to mitigate flooding in Pittsburgh, created a 27-mile reservoir over the top of Seneca ancestral lands, which had been protected by U.S. treaty since 1794. The Seneca Nation’s activism and resistance failed to prevent the dam’s construction, but spurred a greater movement to protect and expand their sovereignty, which continues to this day.

“We are thrilled to be able to show such a powerful and insightful film,” said Dr. Quentin Lewis, curator of the museum housed at Hartwick College. “The Yager Museum has always been a place for contemplating Indigenous history and culture, and the experiences of the Seneca are unfortunately all-too-familiar in the broader history of Indigenous people in America. Alongside our current exhibit on Catskill reservoirs, we are excited to highlight this parallel story of displacement, memory and resilience, and to hear from the filmmakers who created it.”

This event was made possible from the support of the Richard and Gerri L. Haan Fund for Native American Studies at Hartwick College.

Sackett teaches Video Production, Documentary, Digital Content and Engagement and other courses in the Jandoli School. He joined the faculty in 2023.

DR. TARA WALKER

WALKER PRESENTED JUNIOR FACULTY EXCELLENCE AWARD



Congratulations to Dr. Tara Walker on the 2025
Junior Faculty Excellence Award!

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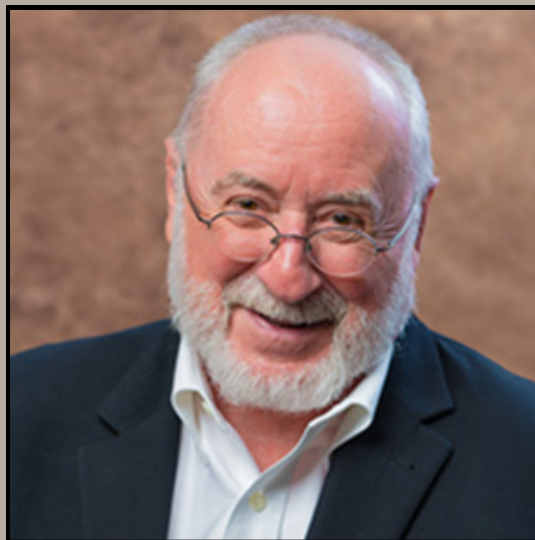
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