

Dr. Mary A. Hamilton, '59

The Woman of Promise Award is named in honor of Dr. Mary A. Hamilton, a retired associate professor of Journalism and Mass Communication at St. Bonaventure. A 1959 Bona grad, Hamilton returned in 1982 as a faculty member and also served as chair of what was then the journalism department.

An expert in media law and women's contributions to the media, Hamilton worked as a reporter and editor in New York City, Washington, D.C., and York, Pa., and helped develop a public relations program for the Center for Constitutional Rights. She holds a doctorate from Michigan State University and published a biography, *Rising from the Wilderness: J.W. Gitt and His Legendary Newspaper: The Gazette and Daily of York, Pa.*, that won the American Journalism Historians Award for Best Book in Media History published in 2007.

The Dr. Mary A. Hamilton Woman of Promise Award is presented to a female senior who excels in and out of the classroom and sets a good example for her peers.

The recipient is a student who, in the faculty's opinion, possesses all the skills necessary to not only succeed but also thrive in her postgraduate career.



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Elizabeth Ortega, '02

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Program Events

Welcome:

Sr. Margaret Carney, O.S.F., S.T.D.
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Guest Speaker:

Dr. Leslie L. Heywood,
professor of English/Creative Writing,
SUNY Binghamton

Recognition of Dr. Mary Hamilton:

Dean Pauline Hoffmann, '91

Award Presentation:

Dean Pauline Hoffmann and
Dr. Mary Hamilton, professor emeritus
at St. Bonaventure University



Dr. Leslie L. Heywood



Leslie Heywood is a professor of English and creative writing at SUNY Binghamton, where she was a 2009 recipient of the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in

Research and Creative Activities. She is the author of eight academic books, including *Built to Win: The Female Athlete as Cultural Icon*; *Third Wave Agenda: Being Feminist, Doing Feminism*; and *The Women's Movement Today: An Encyclopedia of Third Wave Feminism*. Heywood is also the author of three poetry books, most recently *Lost Arts*; and the memoir *Pretty Good for a Girl*.



Madeleine Gionet



Maddie Gionet is a senior journalism and mass communication major at St. Bonaventure University. She has been very involved on campus as the previous co-editor-in-chief

of *The Intrepid*, the current secretary and account executive of the American Advertising Federation (AAF), a coordinator for Mountain Community Leaders at Mt. Irenaeus, a peer leader for the First Year Experience Program and the co-director of the Teaching and Learning Center's Writing Lab.

Outside of school, Gionet enjoys working with kids, spending her winters as a ski instructor and summers as a camp counselor. While still exploring postgraduate career options, Gionet hopes her future occupation will incorporate her loves for photography, volunteering and the outdoors. This fall, Gionet will return to St. Bonaventure University to pursue her master's degree in integrated marketing communications.

