



Nancy Cave and Marie Latino
Distinguished Lasallian Staff Members
2004-2005

Nancy Cave

Those who nominated Nancy Cave for the Lasallian award for a distinguished staff member of the Manhattan College community have used many words to describe her. Some of them describe her strengths - "organized," "efficient," "thorough," "imaginative," "smart." They talk about her knowledge of computers and her ability to help us understand how to use them better, and the way she keeps things running smoothly without letting us know how hard we sometimes make her work. She is a trusted colleague and virtual administrator of the 4th Floor in Miguel.

Other words describe the understanding manner in which she works with students and faculty - "patient," "helpful," "conscientious." They describe her work in advising students, training a very reliable group of student assistants and supervising language lab assistants for the Modern Foreign Language department.

There are aspects of Nancy's life at home in Yonkers that many of us don't know so well - her religious activities, and her kindness toward the elderly and needy in her parish.

Finally, there is another set of words that tell us a great deal about Nancy - "kind," "sensitive," "funny," "generous," and yes, "tough." These describe the person we know best, the good friend and working companion who is always there when we need her.

When all these attributes are considered together, it's clear that Nancy Cave is an outstanding choice to receive this award as Lasallian Staff Member of the Year 2004 -2005. Her intelligence, initiative and warmth contribute enormously to the functioning of the entire school of arts and fully exemplify the spirit of St. John Baptist de la Salle.

Marie Latino

Everyone on campus knows Marie Latino through her work as Benefits Manager in the Office of Human Resources. Numerous employee comments about Marie tell us with what high regard she is held by all.

"Her devotion and concern for all the employees and retirees exemplifies the highest values of a Lasallian educator."

"She is a very kind person...Always helpful."

"Her manner in dealing with people is always so kind and considerate and with genuine warmth...I know that she is an example of the Lasallian tradition with her action and words in how she treats all people."

"She goes that extra mile for every employee or retiree who asks for her assistance or advice."

"Often dealing with very sensitive issues, Marie has shown care, dedication and resourcefulness...Her service is outstanding."

Marie is active in her church and community and assists in many fund-raising activities. It is very clear that her faith is at the center of her life and work as is her love for her grandchildren. For her 30 years of caring and outstanding service to the employees and retirees of Manhattan College, we are delighted to ask Brother Thomas Scanlan to present her with the Lasallian Staff Member of the Year Award.