SUNY Cortland Relay for Life Raises $55,000 for Cancer Society

About 1,000 students, faculty and staff members raised more than $55,000 for the American Cancer Society in the third annual SUNY Cortland Relay for Life on Saturday, Nov. 17, at Lusk Field House. The College raised $11,000 more than last year’s event total. This year's relay attracted a record 77 teams who walked laps inside the field house for 12 hours. “The word has spread,” said event Chairperson Kaitlin Smith, a senior health science major from Albion, N.Y. “More people have been touched by cancer than ever before and they want to come out to raise money and awareness for a great cause.”

The top individual fundraiser was Shane Davanzo, a senior business economics major from Purdys, N.Y., who raised $1,200. The top team fundraiser was 12 Monroe Crew, a group of SUNY Cortland seniors, including Davanzo, who live at 12 Monroe Heights and raised $5,360. “As a SUNY Cortland alumna, it was really exciting to see such a phenomenal event soar above fundraising and participant expectations,” said Jill Ladouceur ’07, special events coordinator for the Southern New York Regional Office of the American Cancer Society. “I can only imagine how the Relay for Life on the SUNY Cortland campus will grow next year.”

Ladouceur was the entertainment coordinator in last year’s Relay for Life.

Senate Seeks Campus Vote on Tenure-Track Faculty Issue

The Faculty Senate unanimously passed a non-binding resolution that calls for a campus vote of all tenured and tenure-track faculty on whether to make the hiring of full-time tenure-track faculty the College’s top priority.

Senators endorsed the motion that originated with 74 members of a group that calls itself the SUNY Cortland Concerned Teaching Faculty and includes several department chairs encompassing all three academic schools at the College. The vote took place at the Nov. 27 Senate meeting in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge.

The approved resolution seeks a campus-wide vote on several possible directives aimed at guiding College administrators in selected future personnel-related decisions. These include:

- In the immediate future, the current academic affairs strategic plan is adjusted upwards so that 65 percent – rather than 60 percent – of the courses are taught by full-time tenure-track faculty by the year 2010;
- No new teaching positions will be created until the above goal is met, except in the case of a health and safety emergency;
- The President’s Cabinet develops a plan to fund and meet this goal, and provides a biennial progress report to the Faculty Senate that clearly outlines the number of courses and students taught by tenure-track faculty, full-time lecturers and part-time faculty; and
- All future administrative reports dealing with faculty staffing will carefully distinguish full-time tenure-track positions from both full-time lecturer and part-time lecturer positions.

In forwarding the resolution, the Concerned Teaching Faculty also noted that the achievement of the stated goals should not result in the loss of current full-time lecturers.

A unique addition this year featured donations to Locks of Love, an organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children under 18 years old who suffer from long-term medical hair loss. The Non-Traditional Team gave haircuts and manicures during the relay for a $5 donation to the non-profit organization. Twelve participants received free haircuts by donating 10 inches or more of their hair.

Building on the work of the past two events, a 20-member student committee began planning the relay in September. This year’s relay featured a variety of entertainment, including bands, a disc jockey and a moon bounce.

“The Relay for Life is catching on more and more each year,” said Cathy Smith, health promotion and staff mentor to Colleges Against Cancer, the campus club that organizes the relay. “The word is getting out about how much fun the relay is and how the money raised makes a huge difference. The College community is excited about it.”

Relays for Life are held on college campuses nationwide to raise money for cancer research, education and services. Donations may still be made to SUNY Cortland’s relay until February through its Web site: www.acsevents.org/relay/ny/cortlandstate.

For more information about the College’s Relay for Life, contact Smith in the Health Promotion Office at ext. 2066.
Memorial Service Planned For Frank Czerwinski

A memorial service will be held on Friday, Dec. 7, to honor Frank Czerwinski, history, who passed away unexpectedly on Nov. 25. The service will begin at 2 p.m. in the Old Main Mezzanine.

All are welcome to attend. A brief reception will follow the service.

Czerwinski taught many thousands of students over the course of his 39-year career at SUNY Cortland. He was appointed to chair the History Department in 1984 and served nine years through 1993.

A 1963 graduate of Brooklyn College, Czerwinski went on to earn both his M.A. and Ph.D. from Cornell University. Immediately before joining SUNY Cortland in Fall 1968, he served on the faculty at St. Lawrence University.

“He regularly taught courses in ancient and medieval history as well as ancient and medieval Jewish history,” recalled Sanford Gutman, history. “Frank was known for his gentle wit and encyclopedic learning. Many colleagues would come to Frank for answers to the most esoteric of questions. He also will be fondly remembered as a mentor to many students and several of our newer colleagues.”

For more information, contact LouAnn Hurlbert, secretary, in the History Department at ext. 2723 or Marie Agen, Catholic campus minister at O’Heron Newman Hall, at 753-6737.

Community Roundtable on Dec. 6 to Focus on The Underground Railroad in Cortland County

The director of the Cortland County Historical Society and a local history enthusiast and researcher will discuss the significance of the Underground Railroad locally at a community roundtable on Thursday, Dec. 6.

Titled “The Abolition Movement and the Underground Railroad in Cortland County,” the roundtable takes place between 8-9 a.m. in the Park Center Hall of Fame Room.

Sponsored by the President’s Office and the Center for Educational Exchange, the event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served at 7:45 a.m.

Panelists for the discussion include Mary Ann Kane, director of the Cortland County Historical Society, and Diane Ames, a local history enthusiast and researcher.

Rachel Reinhard, history, will moderate the discussion.

The abolition movement swept through parts of the United States before the Civil War. The Underground Railroad in Cortland County ran from Harford through Virgil and north to “Slab City” and Baltimore near Preble. The speakers will discuss how the railroad without train cars or tracks transported slaves to freedom, the extent to which the movement actually existed in Cortland County and the voices and actions of those for and against the movement.

“The focus of my talk will be on the importance of who was involved in the movement and who should have been involved,” Kane said. “I hope to shed light on why they were involved or why they weren’t.”

Kane, who received her Master of Science degree in elementary education from SUNY Cortland, has been the director of the Cortland County Historical Society for 18 years. A Cortland native, she taught social studies in local public schools for 25 years before joining the historical society. Kane, who frequently speaks publicly on historical topics, is especially interested in the Underground Railroad.

“I will discuss the places that are believed to be part of the Underground Railroad in the area,” she said. “I have many photos and slides that will show where it ran in Cortland County.”

Ames, who lives in Cortland, grew up in Maine, N.Y., about 45 miles south of Cortland. Her fifth-grade teacher taught the class that the Underground Railroad was believed to go through their town. That piqued Ames’ curiosity and the research she began about the topic would continue throughout her adult life.

A graduate of the Eastman School of Music at the University of Rochester, she taught music in public schools in New York and New Jersey. Currently retired, she gives children piano lessons at her church. Ames is the president of the Library Board and the Cortland County Historical Society Board. She also sits on the Cortland Memorial Foundation Board for the Cortland Regional Medical Center.

For more information on the Community Roundtable series, contact the Center for Educational Exchange at ext. 4214 or visit the Web site at www.cortland.edu/cee.

Scholars’ Day Participation Forms Due by Dec. 14

Scholars’ Day 2008 Call for Participation and Call for Abstracts forms are now available at the Scholars’ Day Web page at www.cortland.edu/scholars/.

Those interested in participating should submit completed forms by Friday, Dec. 14, to Mark Prus, arts and sciences, by e-mail at prus@cortland.edu.

Scholars’ Day is scheduled for Wednesday, April 9, 2008. It is a daylong event highlighting faculty, staff and student scholarship and research.

For more information, contact Prus at ext. 4312.

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Outstanding Non-Traditional Students Recognized

In October, the campus community was asked to nominate adult students to be honored for balancing college with family, jobs and other commitments. Faculty, staff members and undergraduate students submitted more than 65 nomination forms.

On Nov. 8, during Non-Traditional Students Week, an informal dessert reception was held and the following students were presented a certificate of recognition and an official “Non-Trad = Determination!” pen in recognition of their hard work and commitment:

Nicole Anjeski
Rita Atkinson
Mary Balfour
Maria Bauder
Adam Berenstain
Susan Bett

Jennifer Burhans
Michele Carter
Katherine Clancy
Alicia Dermady
Michael DeVito
Allyson Donofrio

Lisa Doyle
Linda Eastman
Bethann Fischer
Rhonda Gall
Campbell
Victor Garcia
Robert Goosman
Jack Guthrie
Erin Hartman
Sherry Hicks
Lin Hill
Ami Ingrahm
Jill Jabbour
Alessa King
Jennifer Labuz
Cathrine Lata
Kerry Linden
Janice Miller
Jennifer Miller

Christopher Molinari
Brian Monica
Robin Mooney
Galinia Peschel
Michael Pierce
Adam Prazak
Becki Reagan
Theresa Ricklefs
Darlene Scouted
Sherry Simmons
Daniel Slattery
Lindsey Sternberg
Harry Stringer
Gary Townner
Lisa Van Epps
Stephanie Van Hamlin
Debra Whitney
Angela Wilde-Johnson
Mary Wood

David Bauer ’66 Will Lead Grant Seminars Jan. 15-16

Nationally recognized grant expert David Bauer ’66 will present two seminars Jan. 15-16 on “Utilizing Grants to Further Career Goals.” Both seminars will be held from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge.

Bauer will present “How to Find — and Win — Federal Grants” on Tuesday, Jan. 15. The seminar will provide information on how to locate federal funding, how funding decisions are made and what a competitive government proposal looks like.

The following day, Bauer will present “How to Find — and Win — Foundation and Corporate Grants.” This seminar will provide instruction on how to tap into the $26 billion available in private grants. It will also provide step-by-step essentials for organizing and writing a successful foundation or corporate grant proposal.

Those interested are asked to R.S.V.P. to Pam Schroeder, research and sponsored programs, at pams@em.cortland.edu or at ext. 2511. Refreshments and lunch will be provided.

The seminars are co-sponsored by the Research and Sponsored Programs Office, the College Research Committee and the Faculty Development Center.

Non-tenure Track Excellence in Teaching Awards Due Dec. 17

The Faculty Development Committee has announced Monday, Dec. 17, as the deadline for the 2007-08 Non-tenure Track Excellence in Teaching Award.

Guidelines for nominations and the award process can be found on the Faculty Development Center Web site at www.cortland.edu/ fdc/non-tenure_teaching_award.asp.

Nominations should be sent to the Faculty Development Center Office at Memorial Library, Room B-303, or e-mailed to gathagam@cortland.edu.

The award grew out of the desire to acknowledge those non-tenure-track faculty members who excel in teaching. Skill in teaching, a sole criteria for this award, is determined through classroom observations by members of the selection committee and the review of documentation provided by the candidates.

The winner will be recognized at the Honoring Excellence in Teaching, Research and Service luncheon in May. The successful candidate will also receive a plaque and a check for $1,000.

UUP Holiday Party and Musical Spoof Set for Dec. 7

The United University Professions (UUP) Holiday Party will be held from 4-7 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 7. All academics and professionals are invited to this free event in the Corey Union Exhibition Lounge.

The party will feature food, drink and fellowship. Piano music by Stephen Wilson, performing arts, will begin at 4 p.m. UUP will recognize retiring colleagues at 5 p.m.

Beginning at 6 p.m., the new musical comedy spoof titled “SUNY Pinafore,” will be performed. Music and lyrics are by Gilbert, Sullivan and Hischak (Thomas Hischak, performing arts), and musical direction and piano accompaniment will be provided by Donna Anderson, music emerita.

The cast will feature the UUP Players: Cynthia Benton, childhood/early childhood education; Colleen Buchanan, physical education; Mark Ceresaletti, international communications and culture; Tom Fuchs, physical education; Cindy and Kevin Halpin, performing arts; Jo Schaffer, art and art history emerita; William Sharp, history; Robert Spitzer, political science; Judy Van Buskirk, history; Dawn Van Hall, library; Mary Ware, foundations and social advocacy; and Karen Zimmerman, performing arts.

For more information, contact the UUP Office at ext. 5991.

Annual Holiday Concert Scheduled for Dec. 4

The Performing Arts Department will present its annual Holiday Concert at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 4, in the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre. The event is free and open to the public.

The College Singers and the SUNY Cortland Gospel Choir will be among the participating groups in this concert of seasonal music. An audience sing-along will take place at the end of the program.

For more information, contact the Performing Arts Department at ext. 2811.
Auxiliary Services Corporation Winter Break Hours Posted

Following are closing and special hours for Winter Break:

**ASC Office**
- Friday, Dec. 21: Closing at noon
- Monday, Dec. 24-
  - Tuesday, Jan. 1: Closed
  - Wednesday, Jan. 2: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

**Bookmark Extended Hours**
- Sunday, Dec. 9: 3 p.m.-midnight
- Monday, Dec. 10 -
  - Wednesday, Dec. 12: 8 a.m.-midnight
  - Thursday, Dec. 13: 8 a.m.-10 p.m.
  - Friday, Dec. 14: Closed

**Caleion Room**
- Thursday, Dec. 6: Closing at 7:30 p.m.

**Subway**
- Friday, Dec. 14: Closing at 4 p.m.

**College Store**
- Friday, Dec. 21: Closing at noon
- Monday, Dec. 24 -
  - Wednesday, Dec. 26: Closed
- Thursday, Dec. 27 -
  - Friday, Dec. 28: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
  - Saturday, Dec. 29 -
    - Tuesday, Jan. 1: Closed
    - Wednesday, Jan. 2: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

**The Colloquium**
- Friday, Dec. 7: Closing at 1:30 p.m.

**Dragon’s Court**
- Thursday, Dec. 13: Closing at 11 p.m.

**Dragon’s Den**
- Monday, Dec. 17 -
  - Friday, Dec. 21: 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
  - Monday, Jan. 7 -
    - Friday, Jan. 18: 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

**Dunkin’ Donuts**
- Friday, Dec. 14: Closing at 4 p.m.

**Friendly’s**
- Thursday, Dec. 13: Closing at 11 p.m.

**Hilltop**
- Friday, Dec. 14: Closing at 3 p.m.

**Neubig Dining Hall**
- Friday, Dec. 14: Closing at 4 p.m.

**Poolside**
- Friday, Dec. 7: Closing at 2 p.m.
- Monday, Jan. 7 -
  - Friday, Jan. 18: 7:45 a.m.-1 p.m.

**Raquette Pizza**
- Thursday, Dec. 13: Closing at 11 p.m.

All hours subject to change.

Senate Seeks Campus Vote on Tenure-Track Faculty Issue

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“A gradual increase in tenure-track lines will clearly result in a reduction of additional positions available for contingent faculty, however, contingent faculty with the appropriate qualifications will be eligible to apply for these additional tenure-track lines,” noted the Concerned Teaching Faculty. “As we see it, this proposal increases the potential for current contingent faculty to become full-time, tenure-track faculty.”

Other rationale cited by the group in support of the resolution included President Erik J. Bitterbaum’s Sept. 4 comments to the Senate that increasing tenure-track faculty was a priority; Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Elizabeth Davis-Russell’s proposal to the President’s Cabinet for 20 new tenure-track lines; and similar requests from the deans of the School of Education and the School of Arts and Sciences in their annual reports.

The resolution also referred to research by the Cortland Chapter of UUP that indicated a 16 percent increase in students and only a 14 percent increase in tenure-track faculty between 1981-2005.

“It would be necessary to add 88 new tenure-track faculty to the number employed in 2005 merely to return to our student-to-faculty ratio of a quarter-century ago,” noted the resolution. “The tenured and tenure-track faculty at SUNY Cortland, who are obligated to perform both College service and increasing amounts of administrative duties, no longer want to be forced to choose between excellence in teaching, quality research, and participating in serious matters of faculty governance.”

In other action, Senate Chair Karla Alwes, English, informed senators that the Steering Committee proposed that the newly created ad hoc Senate committee “with developing recommendations for guidelines for depart-mental procedures for external review of scholarship for promotion to full professor or full librarian by the April 8, 2008 Faculty Senate meeting.”
Faculty-Staff Activities

Robert Hammond, French cinema and literature emeritus, is the author of a play to be staged January-February 2008 in Paris’ Théâtre Tallia. “La Fin des Hasards Prévus” (American title: “Where Were We?”) will premier Jan. 9. It is about two sociology professors, perhaps CIA agents, a very attractive graduate assistant and a less attractive cleaning lady, and takes place Sept. 11-13, 2001.

A second play, “Amy,” is scheduled to run later in 2008 at the same theater.

Ellen Jampole and Pamela Summers, literacy, presented at the 51st annual conference of the College Reading Association (CRA) held Nov. 2 in Salt Lake City, Utah. Their co-presenter was Ruth Oswald, University of Akron, and their workshop topic was “At a Crossroads about Submitting and Reviewing Proposals?” The workshop was geared for future workshop, round table, session or symposia proposal developers and potential reviewers of all types of proposals.

Jampole officiated over the conference, giving her presidential address “Traditions, Storying and Crossroads” and led the Legislative Assembly. At that meeting, she took the membership through the vote to change the organization’s name from the College Reading Association to the Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers.

Summers co-chaired the Reading and Exhibits Room. She oversaw exhibitors at the conference and ran the silent auction of the CRA members’ published works and literacy texts donated by publishing houses. The auction raises money for the J. Estill Alexander Scholarship Fund, which helps support student attendance at the conference. Jampole and Summers are both serving as reviewers for the CRA Yearbook and as proposal reviewers for the 2008 Sarasota, Fla., CRA conference.

William Lane, sociology/anthropology emeritus, had his article “Preparing the Next Generation for Life in an Aging Society,” published in the October issue of Capital Commons Quarterly. The journal focuses on issues related to dynamics of aging and community.

Catherine Porter Lewis, international communications and culture emerita, represented the Modern Language Association at a meeting of the Translation Summit Advisory Council Oct. 30 in San Francisco. The council is responsible for planning the third national summit meeting, which will bring together individual translators, corporate purveyors of translation services, academics involved with translation and consumers of translation services, including businesses and government agencies.

Lin Lin, childhood/early childhood education, led a presentation titled “Whose History? Analysis of the Korean War in History Textbooks from the United States, South Korea, Japan and China,” with four scholars from the United States, China, Japan and South Korea, at the International Assembly of the 87th Annual Conference of the National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS) on Nov. 30 in San Diego, Calif.

The study examined how current history textbooks from the U.S., Japan, China, and South Korea present the Korean War. The comparative analysis focused on four areas: the causes of the Korean War, American involvement in the war, Chinese involvement in the war and result of the war. Analysis of the central story lines revealed that there exist some consistent statements about certain events in the Korean War, but inconsistencies and conflicting views seem to dominate the history textbooks in these countries.

Joel Shatzky, English emeritus, gave two presentations in November: “The Miseducation of America,” at the Brooklyn Society for Ethical Culture, and “The Corporatization of Higher Education” at SUNY Old Westbury, where he read excerpts from his satirical novel about the academic world, Option Three.

Jeff Walkuski, physical education, was one of 16 professionals selected nationally to serve as a staff member and presenter at the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance National Student Leadership Conference held in Estes Park, Colo. The conference brought together nearly 100 undergraduate students from all 50 states and Canada who were chosen for their leadership potential and their dedication to their future professions.

Sports Schedule

Capital Letters Denote Home Games

Tuesday, Dec. 4
Women’s Basketball at Ithaca, 6 p.m.
Men’s Basketball at Ithaca, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 5
WRESTLING vs. RIT, 7 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 7
WOMEN’S ICE HOCKEY vs. Neumann (Pa.), 2 p.m.
WOMEN’S BASKETBALL vs. Buffalo State, 6 p.m.
MEN’S ICE HOCKEY vs. Castleton State (Vt.), 7 p.m.
MEN’S BASKETBALL vs. Buffalo State, 8 p.m.
Men’s/Women’s Swimming and Diving at Oneonta, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 8
Men’s/Women’s Indoor Track and Field at St. Lawrence Classic, TBA

Sunday, Dec. 16
Wrestling at Orlando (Fla.) Gator Duals, TBA

Friday, Jan. 4
Women’s Basketball at Clarkson University, 4 p.m.
Men’s Basketball at Clarkson University, 6 p.m.
Coming Events

**Monday, Dec. 3**
$ Recreational Skate: Alumni Arena Ice Rink, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, Dec. 4**
Open Meeting: "Reflections on Civic Engagement," discussion with campus and community leaders to define service-learning at SUNY Cortland, Corey Union, Room 209, 3 p.m. For more information, contact John Suarez, service-learning, at suarezj@cortland.edu

Presentation: “Social Networking Tools and Second Life,” by Jill Hurst-Wahl, Library Conference Room, 4:30 p.m.

General Interest Meeting: The Belize Zoo Project, Sperry Center, Room 304, 7:30 p.m.

Holiday Pottery/Student Art Sale: Old Main lobby, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Thursday, Dec. 6**
Community Roundtable: "The Abolition Movement and the Underground Railroad in Cortland County," panel discussion; Park Center Hall of Fame Room, 8-9 a.m. Refreshments will be served at 7:45 a.m.

Red Cross Bloodmobile: Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 11 a.m.

Holiday Pottery/Student Art Sale: Old Main lobby, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Symposium: Seventh Annual COR 101 Symposium, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, noon-5 p.m.

**Friday, Dec. 7**
Fall semester classes end.

Holiday Pottery/Student Art Sale: Old Main lobby, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Service Awards Luncheon: 38th Annual Service Recognition Ceremony, Corey Union Function Room, 11:30 a.m. Reservations required.

**Saturday, Dec. 8**
One-act Musical: “Romance,” about two married couples summering in the Hamptons, Dowd Fine Arts Lab Theatre, 8 p.m.

**Sunday, Dec. 9**
One-act Musical: “Romance,” about two married couples summering in the Hamptons, Dowd Fine Arts Lab Theatre, 2 p.m.

**Monday, Dec. 10-Friday, Dec. 14**
Final examination period.

**Friday, Dec. 14**
Professional Women’s Brown Bag Lunch: Sponsored by the Women’s Initiatives Committee Corey Union, Room 209, noon.

**Monday, Jan. 7**
Winter Session classes begin.

**Tuesday, Jan. 15-Wednesday, Jan. 16**
Two-Day Seminar: “Utilizing Grants to Further Career Goals,” presented by David Bauer ’66, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. R.S.V.P. to ext. 2511 or at pams@em.cortland.edu.

**Friday, Jan. 18**
Winter Session classes end.