Normally, *The Bulletin* is full of news about the happenings at SUNY Cortland.

But the current pandemic caused by novel coronavirus (COVID-19) has drastically changed the way we live, study and work. SUNY Cortland will continue to post updates along with important health links on its novel coronavirus (COVID-19) resources and updates webpage. At some point soon, we’ll be back to fully covering upcoming campus events and the exciting work and accomplishments of our faculty.

But right now, all of us are navigating through this challenging time together. Our faculty are moving mountains to develop distance-learning strategies. Our staff are devising creative ways to maintain the university’s mission and keep our community safe. Our students remain eager to learn, even if they are no longer sitting in our classrooms.

We want to tell these stories. The efforts put forth by the Cortland community over the past few weeks and in the weeks to come will undoubtedly underscore who we are as teachers and students and help define the university.

Take, for example, [Jason Barrett ’08](mailto:), founder, president and master distiller at Black Button Distilling in Rochester. He’s shifted from producing small-batch spirits to making hand sanitizer for at-risk communities.

We also have great news about [senior anthropology and biology dual major Kiley Stoj](mailto:), who recently learned she received a Fulbright-Nehru Student Research grant to conduct a study on the usage of plants in the ancient Indian style of Ayurvedic medicine.

[Dowd Gallery’s exhibition](mailto:) plans were modified and viewings will be made available to the public in an electronic format, thanks to the efforts of gallery director Jaroslava Prihodova and senior web and digital marketing specialist Casey Hickey.

Finally, our campus ministries are available for our students’ spiritual needs during this time. [Read about two women](mailto:) who are reaching out to the SUNY Cortland community.

But we can’t share stories of innovation, dedication, courage or kindness unless we hear about them. Please help us stay in touch with the great things people in our community are doing via [bulletin@cortland.edu](mailto:).

And in lieu of choosing just one Campus Champion this week, we ask you to think of your coworkers, classmates and community and step up and lead to the best of your abilities. Let’s all be Campus Champions.

Thank you and be safe,

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