Scholars’ Day to Be Celebrated April 14

The eighth annual Scholars’ Day, a series of presentations highlighting faculty, staff and student scholarship and research, will take place in Old Main on Wednesday, April 14.

This year, the event encompasses more than 90 different presentations and poster sessions presented by more than 80 faculty members and hundreds of undergraduate and graduate students. The subject matter covers a wide array of academic disciplines.

All Scholars’ Day presentations take place in Old Main, starting at 8:30 a.m. The event is free and open to the public. SUNY Cortland President Erik J. Bitterbaum has suspended daytime classes to allow the SUNY Cortland community to fully benefit from the lectures and demonstrations. Area high school juniors and seniors and their instructors were formally invited to attend this year’s event.

“Scholars’ Day, now an institution on this campus, continues to provide a forum for faculty and students to highlight their research,” said Mark Prus, dean of the School of Arts and Sciences and chair of the Scholars’ Day Committee. “Much of this work is ground-breaking scholarship in which students and faculty collaborate. By giving students the opportunity to apply their education and advance their field of study, the College becomes a more vibrant, intellectual community.”

The sessions include such topics as: the effects of a 12-week injury prevention program on a company’s profit center; political science and education policy; how real-life forensic anthropology differs from “CSI”; nuclear weapons treaties; comparison of batted ball speeds of five different metal bats in fast pitch softball; assessing the local coordinated school health program; addressing the need for urban teachers; cultural survival in an international context; understanding Division III athletics; using spreadsheets in the K-6 mathematics classroom; geographic information systems (GIS) and Lewis and Clark; the culture of wedding in Korea; and U.S.-Mexico migration and economic development.

Barbara J. Ryan, associate director for geography at the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) in Reston, Va., and a 1974 SUNY Cortland graduate, will deliver the keynote address on “The National Map — Following In the Footsteps of John Wesley Powell.”

Mark Prus Named Dean for School of Arts and Sciences

Mark Prus, who has been the interim dean of the School of Arts and Sciences since July 2002, was appointed to the full-time position on March 23 following a national search.

A professor of economics, Prus served as interim associate dean in the School of Arts and Science for six months prior to his replacing John Ryder, who joined SUNY Central Administration, as dean.

In that role, Prus has been responsible for all 17 academic departments within the School of Arts and Sciences and its two interdisciplinary academic centers. The chief academic, fiscal and administrative officer of the School of Arts and Sciences, Prus oversees a $13 million budget and all aspects of curriculum planning and development, as well as faculty and staff evaluation and development. He sets priorities and policies for the school and works closely with faculty, staff and administrators.

A member of the Provost's Cabinet, Prus joined SUNY Cortland's Economics Department in 1990 as a visiting assistant professor. Two years later, he was promoted to associate professor. He attained the rank of professor in 2001.

Prus was named Economics Department chair in 1997 and coordinated curriculum development, faculty recruitment and assessment activities. Prus oversaw a successful assessment initiative and program review, recruited four new faculty members, and participated in the development of new majors in business economics and sport management.

From 1985-1990, Prus was an assistant professor at SUNY Potsdam.

A native of Akron, Ohio, he earned a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Notre Dame and a doctorate in economics from the University of Utah. He studied for his Ph.D. on a University of Utah Teaching Fellowship and a Marriner S. Eccles Fellowship in Political Economy.

Prus has taught courses in labor economics, macroeconomic theory, economic statistics, monetary economics, microeconomic theory, fiscal economics, human resource management and collective bargaining.

He has served as a consultant and expert witness on prevailing wage laws and their impact on public construction costs in California, Maryland, and Wyoming, as well as British Columbia, Canada. The Construction Labour Relations Association selected him for a research grant in 1996.

Prus is the author of numerous published papers and monographs on women's labor market experience, occupational sex segregation, wage inequities and prevailing wage laws.
Admissions Open House Expected to Draw 2,000 on April 3

The 22nd Annual Admissions Open House, a one-day program allowing accepted freshmen, transfer applicants, and prospective students an opportunity to better acquaint themselves with SUNY Cortland, is expected to attract 2,000 visitors to campus on Saturday, April 3.

“We have a variety of activities planned for the day, including tours of the residence halls and stadium complex and informational presentations on such areas as learning opportunities for pre-majors,” explained Betsy Cheetham, admissions. She has been the coordinator of the Open House since its inception in 1983.

Most events will take place in the Park Center, she said.

“This year, more than 9,700 freshmen have applied for admission to the fall semester at SUNY Cortland,” she said. “Additionally, we anticipate more than 2,200 transfer applications for the Fall 2004 semester.”

The event will also be open to high school juniors, seniors and transfer students who have not yet applied for admission to the College, Cheetham explained. Many have registered to participate but such visitors need only show up the day of the Open House.

“This serves as a defining moment for people in determining whether or not SUNY Cortland will be in their future,” added Director of Admissions Gradin Avery. “In the past, more than 70 percent of those who’ve attended Spring Open House have enrolled at SUNY Cortland. This brings about an opportunity for our campus as a whole to welcome the prospective students and their families. We’re learning about them at the same time they are learning about us. There’s also an element of excitement surrounding the start of a college career.”

Following the 9 a.m. registration in the Park Center, the program begins at 10 a.m. with welcoming remarks by College President Erik J. Bitterbaum, Student Government Association President Matthew Barone, Cortland City Mayor Thomas Gallagher and Avery.

An academic fair and a variety of student organization programs and student services will be offered in Corey Gymnasium between 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Prospective Cortland students and their families can meet current faculty and students to discuss the College’s major and minor programs, as well as its co-curricular clubs and activities. Campus tours will also be offered during this time. Tours of campus including residence halls and the West Campus Apartments will be led by current students.

Information sessions on an array of programs relating to the academic, cultural and social life of the Cortland campus, will be presented between 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the Park Center and Studio West. Sessions will cover housing and residential services, financial aid, career services, athletics, meal plans, multicultural students, nontraditional students, advisement, technology on campus, Honors Program, academic support, Educational Opportunity Program, study abroad opportunities, safety, part-time employment, internships and volunteer opportunities, transfer credits, Greek life, student disability services, R.O.T.C., sport management major information, pre-law advisement and pre-med advisement.

The Kickline, Dance Works Team and the Cheerleading Squad have scheduled performances. Open recreation and rock climbing will be offered. Admission information for students who have not yet applied will be available.

A chicken barbecue will be offered between noon and 2 p.m. in the Park Center Alumni Arena. The Gospel Choir will perform at the luncheon. At the conclusion of the day’s events, President Bitterbaum will host an Honors Reception in the Park Center Hall of Fame Room for students who have been invited to participate in the College’s Honors Program.

For more information, contact Cheetham at ext. 4712.

Girish Bhat Receives Rozanne Brooks Award

Girish Bhat, history, has been named the College’s sixth recipient of the Dr. Rozanne Brooks Dedicated Teacher Award. He will be formally recognized on Saturday, April 17, during the annual Honors Convocation.

The Brooks Award honors a faculty member who devotes a significant amount of time both to teaching and to working with students outside of class. The award includes a $5,000 honorarium for use in enhancing the recipient’s teaching initiatives.

Bhat will use the award to foster research in his classroom on his scholarly specialty of Russian law and society. The funds will support the acquisition of costly but valuable textbooks and ease the cost of photocopying vital written materials. He also anticipates opportunities to visit major libraries, including those at Harvard University, to research crucial court cases.

“That’s something I’ve only been able to do on a small scale,” Bhat said. “I hope to make a stronger connection between my research and teaching with this very generous award. Once I have these materials, I can use them forever. I can adapt them to courses I already teach. I especially love undergraduate teaching and so I also hope to develop a new undergraduate course relating to Russian law and society.”

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April 1 Community Roundtable to Focus on Lies, The Media and Presidential Campaigns

As the U.S. presidential campaign rhetoric heats up in the news media well in advance of the November election, a Community Roundtable on Thursday, April 1, will help the public sort through the flood of information.

Titled "Truth? Distortion? Lies? Strategies to Process the Campaign Hype," 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 Continuing Education, the event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served at 7:45 a.m.

Laurie Klotz, Technology Help Center, will moderate the discussion. The panelists are Distinguished Service Professor Robert Spitzer, political science; Scott Steve, chairman of the Cortland County Legislature; and Ronald Walsh, the former mayor of the City of Cortland and presently a partner with the Cortland law firm of Leonard and Walsh.

A question-and-answer period will follow the presentation.

Nobel Prize Winner Victor Sidel Will Speak Here April 1 as Part of Ralph Bunche Series

Victor Sidel, M.D., the 1985 recipient of the Nobel Prize for Peace, will discuss "A Physician's View on Peace and Justice" on Thursday, April 1.

The talk, at 7:30 p.m. in Sperry Center, Room 214, is free and open to the public. Sidel's lecture is part of the Ralph Bunche Centennial Celebration Lecture Series during March and April, honoring the late African American scholar, civil rights leader, dedicated civil servant and recipient of the 1950 Nobel Prize for Peace.

Sidel is a distinguished university professor of social medicine at the Montefiore Medical Center of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in Bronx, N.Y. One of the founders of Physicians for Social Responsibility in 1961, Sidel served as the organization's president from 1987-88. In 1980 he was one of the founders of the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War and was its co-president from 1993-98.

"Despite what many people think, campaign promises are almost always sincere and candidates, when elected, usually carry out their promises, if they can," Sidel said.

He plans to discuss the role of the media in spreading the truth or lies during a political campaign. He will also focus on lying and the presidency from an historical perspective.

Walsh plans to put a local spin on the discussion of media bias in politics. Currently the chair of the Cortland County Democratic Party, Walsh was mayor of Cortland from 1992-99. Before that, he served on the Cortland City Council for six years and on the Cortland County Legislature for two years.

"My father was a journalist for many years and he always advised me to never pick a fight with anyone who buys ink by the barrel," Walsh said.

For more information on the Community Roundtable, contact the Center for Continuing Education at ext. 4214.

Speaker to Address Homophobia in Sport

Patricia Griffin, professor of social justice at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, will discuss "Homophobia in Sport" on Wednesday, April 7.

The lecture begins at 7 p.m. in Old Main Brown Auditorium. Sponsored by the Athletics Department, it is free and open to the public.

Griffin teaches graduate classes in qualitative research, racism, sexism, heterosexism, anti-semitism, classism and ableism. Her professional background includes coaching women's athletics teams and teaching physical education at both the high school and college levels. She has worked with sport organizations such as the Women's Sport Foundation, National Softball Coaches Association, the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the National Association for Girls and Women in Sport and the Women's Basketball Coaches Association.

Griffin is the author of Strong Women, Deep Closets: Lesbians and Homophobia in Sport and co-editor of Teaching for Diversity and Social Justice: A Source for Teachers and Trainers. She was an expert consultant for productions by HBO, ABC Sports, and ESPN. Her research has also been funded by grants from the Ford Foundation and the Annie E. Casey Foundation.

For more information, contact Kristin Wood at wood95@cortland.edu.

Library Hours

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Attorney General Eliot Spitzer; Martin Mack To Speak Here April 1

New York State Attorney General Eliot Spitzer and Deputy Attorney General Martin Mack will visit campus on Thursday, April 1, to present two separate lectures.

Mack, a Cortland native, will talk about another Cortland native son, Alton B. Parker, who was the Democratic Party candidate for president in 1904 against Republican Theodore Roosevelt. Mack’s lecture, “Alton B. Parker: A Look Back,” begins at 12:15 p.m. in Old Main Brown Auditorium.

At 12:30 p.m., Spitzer, who was elected New York’s 63rd attorney general in 1998, will discuss “Corporate Ethics and Responsibilities: 1904 and 2004.”

Both lectures are free and open to the public. A reception in the Old Main third floor mezzanine will follow Spitzer’s presentation. The event is being sponsored by the Political Science Association, the Economics Club and the Political Science Department.

Spitzer graduated in 1981 from Princeton University and in 1984 from Harvard Law School, where he was an editor of the Harvard Law Review. He served as an assistant district attorney in Manhattan from 1986-92.

Spitzer and his wife, Silda, also a Harvard Law School graduate, reside in Manhattan with their three daughters. They also maintain a home in Columbia County.

Mack is a former Cortland mayor and chair of the SUNY Cortland College Council. The one-time New York State Democratic Party co-chair is the nation’s foremost expert on the life and times of Alton B. Parker.

Born in Cortland in 1852, Parker graduated from Albany Law School and began his law practice in Kingston, N.Y. He was elected on the first ballot by the Democrats at their 1904 presidential convention in St. Louis.

Parker and his 81-year-old running mate, former West Virginia Senator Henry G. Davis, ran on a platform that proposed a reduction in government expenditures, strict enforcement of the eight-hour workday, construction of a Panama Canal, direct election of senators, enforcement of civil service laws, statehood for the western territories, elimination of polygamy and independence for the Philippines.

Roosevelt won 56 percent of the popular vote to Parker’s 38 percent and had a 336-140 edge in electoral votes.

After his defeat, Parker practiced law in New York City. He defended the American Federation of Labor in the Danbury Hatters’ Case and served as counsel for the prosecution in the impeachment of Gov. William Sulzer. Parker died in 1926 and is buried in Kingston.

Russian Film Will Be Shown, Discussed in Roundtable with Siberian Scholar on April 1

Melissa J. Sokol, a teaching fellow at Brown University and avid Russian film buff, will present the recently made Russian film “The Stroll,” about the energetic 20- to 30-year-olds who grew up after the fall of communism, on Thursday, April 1.

After the film with English subtitles is shown at 4:30 p.m. in Old Main, Room G-09, Sokol will lead a roundtable discussion titled “The Stroll: Its Connections to Modern Day Life and the Petersburg Myth.”

Sponsored by the Residential Services Office, the Project on Eastern and Central Europe (PECE), and the Center for International Education, the event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

The roundtable will also feature Sergei Shirobokov, a visiting Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence at SUNY Cortland, and PECE director Henry Steck, political science.

Shirobokov, a visiting Fulbright Research Scholar from Siberia, is serving at the College during the 2003-04 academic year. He directs the Inter-Universities Center for International Cooperation and Academic Mobility at the Omск (Siberia) Pedagogical Institute, a college of education.

Sokol, a native of Brookfield, Mass., is a doctoral student at Brown in Providence, R.I., where she has taught a course titled Russian Literature in Translation I: From Pushkin to Dostoevsky.

As the 2002-03 deputy director of the Fulbright Program in Russia, Sokol was responsible for Russian and American graduate student programs, alumni activities and the program’s Web site. She represented the Fulbright Program in various Russian cities, including Omск, Yekaterinburg, Chelyabinsk, Rostov-na-Donu, Novorossisk and Krasnodar.

She received a 2000-02 Fascell Fellowship, which gave her the opportunity as a graduate student to work in a diplomatic mission.

Sokol was a consular associate at the U.S. Embassy in Moscow. She worked in the Immigrant and Non-Immigrant Visa Units on a rotational basis, interviewing Russian citizens applying for visas to the U.S. She also served as the acting chief of the American Citizen Services Unit. In this capacity, she issued and renewed passports, provided notarial services and assisted American citizens in distress. She has visited American prisoners serving time in labor camps within Russia and was the sole consular officer in Vladivostok for three weeks.

She graduated from Cornell University with a bachelor’s degree in both Russian language and literature and in Russian and East European Studies with a concentration in government. She had participated in the Cornell-Colgate Study Program Abroad in Moscow, where she studied at the State Institute of Theatre Arts. Sokol earned a master of arts degree in Russian and Eastern European studies from Yale University. Her thesis was on Nikolai Gogol’s plays.

For more information, contact Shirobokov at ext. 5023 or Steck at ext. 4807.

Dani Maye and Katie Pietrzak Named SUNYAC Chancellor’s Scholar-Athlete Award Winners

Women’s basketball sophomore guard Dani Maye of Kirkwood, N.Y., and women’s volleyball senior middle hitter Katie Pietrzak of Rochester, N.Y., have been chosen as State University of New York Athletic Conference (SUNYAC) Chancellor’s Scholar-Athlete Award winners in their respective sports during the fall and winter seasons.

The awards are given to the one student-athlete in each SUNYAC sport who has the highest cumulative grade point average among all first-team or second-team all-conference selections. To be eligible, a student-athlete must have completed at least three semesters.

Maye and Pietrzak will be presented their awards by SUNY Chancellor Robert L. King at a banquet in Albany. The banquet site and date will be determined in April.

Maye is a kinesiology major with a 3.89 grade point average. A first team All-SUNYAC selection, Maye averaged 13.5 points and 6.3 rebounds per game. She was also a second team Academic All-District selection in her sport. Maye helped the Red Dragons finish 25-5, win the SUNYAC title and advance to the NCAA Division III second round.

Pietrzak is a childhood education major and history minor with a 3.78 grade point average. A first team All-SUNYAC and Academic All-District honoree, Pietrzak led the SUNYAC with a .362 hitting percentage and was Cortland’s leader with 139 blocks. Cortland finished the season with a 44-3 record, won the SUNYAC title and tied for ninth nationally in the NCAA Division III tournament.
Faculty Members Recognized for 2003-04 Excellence in Teaching

The Faculty Development Committee has announced the winners of the following 2003-04 awards:

**Excellence in Teaching Awards**
- Tenure-track Excellence in Teaching Awards
  - Incorporation of Research in Teaching
    - Kim Williams, childhood/early childhood education
  - Incorporation of Technology in Teaching
    - Kathy Burke, economics
  - Incorporation of Multicultural and/or Diversity Perspectives in Teaching
    - Victoria Boynton, English
  - Incorporation of Service Learning in Teaching
    - Emilie Kudela, childhood/early childhood education
  - Incorporation of Non-technological Innovations in Teaching
    - Mary Ware, Foundations and Social Advocacy
- Non-tenure-track Excellence in Teaching Award
  - Tom Fuchs, physical education

**Teaching Innovation Awards**
- Incorporation of Research in Teaching
  - Mary Ware, Foundations and Social Advocacy
- Non-tenure-track Excellence in Teaching Awards
  - Incorporation of Research in Teaching
    - Mary Ware, Foundations and Social Advocacy

Annual Writing Contest Winners Announced

The College Writing Committee recently honored Lesczyk Krempel of Binghamton, N.Y., for penning the best undergraduate paper in its sixth annual writing contest.

Krempel, a senior professional writing major who also authored the best undergraduate paper in last year’s contest, received the highest recognition in the 2003 All-College Writing Awards.

She was honored for two papers, “Dental Malocclusion in Oryctolagus Cuniculus” and “Coming Out Crip,” both written in a Creative Non-fiction class taught by David Franke, English and Professional Writing.

Krempel is among six students to be awarded $100 in this year’s contest. The judges’ criteria included superior thinking, originality, insight and excellent command of language. Eligible papers were those written for courses in the 2003 spring and fall seminars and summer session.

Krempel will receive her award at the College Honors Convocation on Saturday, April 17. The award-winning papers will be published in a booklet dedicated to the All-College Writing Awards.

The other award recipients are:
- Gerald Ponterio of Port Crane, N.Y., a graduate student in childhood education, for “Understanding Child Development: Building Effective Teaching Practices,” written in a Classroom Applications of Child Development class, taught by Shi Hae Kim, childhood/early childhood education.
- Sarah Ann DeLarco of Binghamton, N.Y., a graduate student in the M.A.T. Program in English, for “To My Grandmother, the Renegade,” written in Seminar in the Composing Process: Rhetoric and Analysis, taught by Mary Lynch Kennedy, English.
- Arlette Prothin of Cortland, N.Y., an undergraduate undeclared major, for “Trajan’s Markets,” written in an Advanced Topics in Art History class, taught by Barbara Wisch, art and art history.
- Tanja Jackisch of Camillus, N.Y., a senior adolescence education English major, for “The Ghost of Morgan,” written in the Teaching Writing class, by Mary Lynch Kennedy, English.
- Christina J. Cooman of Sherburne, N.Y., a senior biological sciences major, for “Mare Reproductive Loss Syndrome,” written in a Directed Study Biological Science course, taught by John E. Straneva, biological sciences.
- Four of the students — Krempel, Ponterio, Prothin, and Jackisch — will present their papers at Scholars’ Day, an annual event that provides a forum for faculty and students to highlight their research on April 14.

The College Writing Committee is currently accepting submissions for the 2004 contest. Eligible papers are those written for courses in the 2004 winter session, spring and fall seminars and summer session.

For more information, contact Kennedy at ext. 2086 or by e-mail to kennedym@cortland.edu.

Faculty Invited to April 5 Workshop on Community-Based Learning Partnerships

“Developing the Campus-Community Partnership,” the second of two workshops on community-based learning, will be held from 9-11 a.m. in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge on Monday, April 5.

The workshop is sponsored by the Seven Valleys Health Coalition, the Campus Outreach Partnership Center, the Institute for Civic Engagement and the Intellectual Climate Committee. It is free and open to those interested in learning more about the needs of the Cortland community. Attendance at the first workshop is not a requirement.

Participants will learn about specific strategies for integrating community-based learning into their courses. Faculty members experienced in integrating community service with their courses will present their experiences. Participants will have an opportunity to work with a specific community partner to begin the process of developing a community-based learning course.

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Elizabeth Davis-Russell is providing up to 10 summer stipends of $500 each for faculty members to develop community-based learning courses for delivery in the 2004-05 academic year. This workshop will help those who would like to apply for the stipends. Application forms will be available at the workshop.

At the first workshop, participants learned about numerous projects under way in the Cortland community. Projects described included: Community That Cares program, which aims to unite residents to plan ways to improve their neighborhood; Health Promotions Task Force, working on smoking prevention, cancer prevention and dental care projects; and projects at Lime Hollow Nature Center, including the Tug Hill River Trail and riverfront clean up.

To reserve a space at the workshop, call Betsy Zaharis, Institute for Civic Engagement, at ext. 2474 or send by e-mail at zaharisb@cortland.edu. For more information about the workshop, contact Richard Kendrick, Institute for Civic Engagement, at ext. 2481 or by e-mail at kendrickr@cortland.edu.

Spring 2004 Bulletin Schedule

**Issue Date**  **Deadline**
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#17  Monday, April 26  Tuesday, April 20
#18  Monday, May 10  Tuesday, May 4
2004 Commencement Information Outlined

General Information
The following information applies to both undergraduate and graduate Commencement participants:

Ordering the cap and gown
How do I obtain my cap and gown?
The College Store will host the Grad Finale event from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. on April 7 and 8 in the Corey Union Function Room.

Caps and gowns, graduate student hoods, graduation announcements, class rings, diploma frames and gift items will be sold and Commencement tickets will be distributed.

For those who missed the deadline to file for Commencement, staff from the Registrar’s Office will be at the Grad Finale to issue a letter confirming their status and allowing them to obtain caps and gowns, as well as tickets, on the spot.

The Graduate Studies, Financial Aid, Registrar’s, Enrollment and Curriculum Management and Career Services Offices and the Alumni Association will have tables set up to answer questions and provide information.

Students must present either their student ID card or a valid picture driver’s license to attend the Grad Finale and receive their graduation packages.

Those unable to attend the Grad Finale may purchase a cap and gown at the College Store during regular business hours.

College Store Regular Business Hours:
Monday-Wednesday and Friday: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-7 p.m.
Saturday: 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Extended Hours:
Friday, May 14: 8:30 a.m.-7 p.m.
Saturday, May 15: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

What should I wear with my cap and gown?
Commencement is a formal ceremony, so dress accordingly. The general rule is light-weight, non-restricting clothes. Men do not have to wear jackets, but should wear a shirt and tie. You are requested not to wear shorts, overalls, sandals or sneakers. Mortarboard (cap) tassels should be worn on the left side throughout the ceremony.

If I am not on campus this semester, how do I obtain my cap, hood and gown?
During the month of March, you will receive a mailing from the President’s Office containing the order form for your cap, gown, and hood. The College Store will mail your ceremony regalia once the completed order form is received. If you prefer to pick up your own regalia package, you can send someone to the College Store with a letter authorizing that person to pick up the materials on your behalf. The letter must contain your signature, Cortland ID number, and the person picking up your materials must produce a photo ID.

The Ceremony
How long will the ceremony last?
Each ceremony is approximately one hour and 15 minutes.

How will the degrees be conferred?
When lining up in Park Center Corey Gymnasium, each student will receive a 3 x 5-inch card with his/her first and last name. When the graduate reaches the base of the platform, he/she will hand the card to the faculty marshal, who will read the name. If you have a name that might be difficult to pronounce, give the reader the correct pronunciation just before your name is read.

Will the diplomas actually be given on that day?
No, however diploma covers will be handed out. Diplomas will be mailed to home addresses approximately two to three months after the degree date.

Will faculty be there?
Each department is encouraged to have as many faculty members participate as possible. Students are encouraged to invite faculty members to attend.

Guest Information
Where should my guests park?
Guest parking will be in lots near the Park Center. Guests with disabilities may park in the southwest lot near the Alumni Arena entrance to the Park Center if they have a special permit. This permit may be obtained in advance from University Police at Van Hoesen Hall, Room C-17, or by calling ext. 4123. These guests should plan to arrive early.

When can guests be seated for the ceremonies?
Seating begins one hour before each ceremony.

Will refreshments be available for guests?
Light refreshments, flowers and merchandise will be for sale on the second floor of the Park Center outside Corey Gymnasium prior to each ceremony.

Are there special restrictions or instructions?
Everyone should follow the directions of the ushers and University Police officers at all times. Smoking is not permitted anywhere in the Park Center. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed at Commencement.

Details Specific to Graduate Students

When and Where is the ceremony?
The procession will begin promptly at 7 p.m. on Friday, May 14, in the Park Center Alumni Arena.

Who may participate?
The May ceremony will honor students who complete their degree requirements in May, August and December 2004, or who completed their degree requirements in December 2003. Your completed Application for Graduation Master’s Degree and Certificate of Advanced Study form was due in the Graduate Studies office by March 1.

How do I indicate my intentions to participate?
In March, the President’s Office sent a mailing to persons with enough credit hours to qualify for eligibility. Students should fill out the enclosed form and return it to the President’s Office. Students eligible to participate and who do not receive this mailing should contact Christine Wallace at ext. 5453 or e-mail graduate.commencement@cortland.edu.

I missed the March 1 filing deadline to apply for my graduate degree. Can I still participate in the Graduate Commencement ceremony?
Applicants who file their completed Application for Graduation Master Degree and Certificate of Advanced Study form in the Graduate Studies office after March 1 must obtain a letter from the Graduate Studies Office confirming their eligibility to participate in the Graduate Commencement ceremony. Once this has been verified, you can participate in the Graduate Commencement ceremony.

Additionally, you can then attend Grad Finale, the Commencement preparation event, or you can contact the College Store directly to complete your Commencement preparations. For students who miss the deadline, it may not be possible for your name to appear in the Commencement program.

What is the price of a cap, hood and gown?
Complete packages, including cap, gown, hood, tassel and diploma, are $59.95. Individual items may also be purchased separately.

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Information Specific to Undergraduate Commencement

When and Where are the ceremonies?
Saturday, May 15 in the Park Center Alumni Arena.
Graduates have their choice of attending either the morning or afternoon ceremony. Bachelor’s Degree Ceremony A procession will begin promptly at 10 a.m.; Bachelor’s Degree Ceremony B procession will begin promptly at 2 p.m.

Who may participate?
The May ceremonies will honor students who complete their degree requirements in May, August and December 2004. Students who completed their degree requirements in December 2003 may also participate, if they have disclosed their intent with the Registrar’s Office.

I need more tickets. How can I get them?
Your best bet is to start talking to friends, roommates and classmates because some of them undoubtedly won’t need their full allotment of tickets, and might be willing to give a few away. With any luck, you’ll come up with the extra tickets you need.

How will I use my Student Line-Up Ticket?
Hold on to this ticket! This is your permit to enter the Corey Gymnasium to line up for the Commencement ceremony you have selected.

I have registered for one ceremony, but I would like to switch to the other one. What do I do?
You may switch your tickets among friends. If you switch, make certain that you exchange both the student line-up ticket and the guest tickets.

What is the price of a cap and gown?
Complete packages, including cap, gown, tassel and diploma, are $34.95. Collars for women are an additional dollar. Individual items may also be purchased separately. Packages may be purchased at the College Store.

What is the “special person” designation?
The 2004 Undergraduate Commencement begins a new tradition. All graduates can designate a “special person” who was instrumental in helping them achieve their higher education goals. This person’s name will be read along with the student’s name as they walk across the stage. The College Store will ask for your “special person” designation at the time of cap and gown purchase.

If I am not on campus this semester (student teaching, study-abroad, internships, other circumstances), how do I obtain my cap, gown and tickets?
Contact the College Store to indicate your preference for either Bachelor’s Degree Ceremony A or Ceremony B and to order your cap, gown, etc. Be prepared to provide your name, student ID number and your height. The best way to notify the College Store is via e-mail at collegestore@cortland.edu or by phone at (607) 753-4621.

The College Store will not mail your cap, gown or tickets; you must pick them up at the College Store prior to the Commencement ceremonies. If you cannot pick up your own package, you must send someone to the College Store with a letter authorizing that person to pick up your materials on your behalf, and the person picking up your materials must produce a photo ID before any materials are released.

Will there be a rehearsal for Commencement?
Yes. The rehearsal will take place at 2 p.m. on Friday, May 14, in the Park Center Alumni Arena. Please sit in the bleachers. Final instructions, including line-up procedures, will be provided. All candidates are encouraged to attend.

Am I graduating with honors from SUNY Cortland?
Your grade point average calculated at the end of the winter term determines the SUNY Cortland honors distinction.
If your GPA is 3.2 to 3.499, you will receive a white tassel and graduate with cum laude honors.
If your GPA is 3.5-3.749, you will receive a red and white tassel and graduate with magna cum saude honors.
If your GPA is 3.75 and above, you will receive a red tassel and graduate with summa cum laude honors.

Honors tassels will be distributed at rehearsal and on Commencement day.
Various departments also have an individual honors program. The individual departments may distribute cords or tassels for you to wear during Commencement as well. Inquire with your department chair the process for their honors distinction.

What time should I be at the Park Center Corey Gymnasium on Commencement Day?
Graduates attending Bachelor’s Degree Ceremony A should report to Park Center Corey Gymnasium, in gowns at 9 a.m.
Those attending Bachelor’s Degree Ceremony B should report to Park Center Corey Gymnasium, in gowns at 1 p.m.

For more information
For answers to additional questions, contact Christine Wallace, special events coordinator, at ext. 5435 or by e-mail at graduate.commencement@cortland.edu. Updated information and maps are available at www.cortland.edu/commencement/gradcom. The Graduate Studies Office is located in Brockway Hall, Room 122. The phone number is ext. 4800.

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What time should I be at the Park Center Corey Gymnasium on Commencement Day?
Graduates attending the ceremony should report to Park Center Corey Gymnasium in gowns at 6 p.m. The four corners of the gymnasium will be marked designating where academic programs will line up. Pay close attention to the signage and the detailed instructions given to you as you check in. You will check in alphabetically.
Two faculty members from each program will hood graduates on the stage as part of the ceremony. You will receive instructions immediately prior to the ceremony.

What do we do after the ceremony?
A post–ceremony reception will be held inside the Corey Gymnasium for all graduates and their guests.

For more information
Contact Christine Wallace, special events coordinator, at ext. 5435 or by e-mail at graduate.commencement@cortland.edu.
Updated information and maps are available at www.cortland.edu/commencement/gradcom. The Graduate Studies Office is located in Brockway Hall, Room 122. The phone number is ext. 4800.
Scholars’ Day

From 1989 to 1991, Ryan served as staff assistant to the assistant secretary for water and science at the Department of the Interior. In that capacity, she coordinated the government’s first compilation of federal ground-water programs. Before becoming chief geographer, she served as the agency’s chief information officer, framing the agency’s vision for its Gateway-to-the-Earth initiative. She was also its chief financial officer. Under her leadership, the USGS received the first clean audit opinion in its history.

Ryan earned a bachelor’s degree in geology from SUNY Cortland. She obtained one master’s degree in geography from the University of Denver and a second in civil engineering from Stanford University. She serves on the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing’s International Policy Advisory Committee and on the U.S. Board on Geographic Names. She resides in Oakton, Va., with her husband and son.

Scholars’ Day events will conclude with a student performance of “City Lights, The View of Urban Life from the Broadway Musical,” led by Kevin Halpin, musical theatre director, at 4:30 p.m. in Brown Auditorium.

The Scholars’ Day Committee members, in addition to Prus, are Chris Cirmo, geology; Bonni Hodges, health; David Miller, geography; Gigi Peterson, history; Kevin Pristash, Campus Activities and Corey Union; John Sternfeld, biological sciences; George VerDow, classroom media services; Gail Wood, library; and Patricia Wright, Classroom Media Services.

Scholars’ Day is supported by the Offices of the President and the Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, the Cortland College Foundation, the Student Alumni Association and the Auxiliary Services Corporation.

For more information, including the complete schedule of events, visit the Scholars’ Day Web page at www.cortland.edu/scholarsday or contact Prus at ext. 4312.

Coming Events

Sunday, April 4
$ Performance: “The Mystery of Edwin Drood,” based on Charles Dickens’ musical whodunit, presented by the Performing Arts Department, Dowd Fine Arts Theatre, 3 p.m.

Monday, April 5
Workshop: “Developing the Campus-Community Partnership,” the second of two workshops on community based learning, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 9-11 a.m.

Tuesday, April 6
Lecture: “Women, Asia and Globalization,” presented by Yomiee Lee, exercise science and sport studies, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 7
Representative: ING Financial Services information table, Old Main lobby, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Sandwich Seminar: “Get A Glimpse of Cuba,” slide show and discussion led by German Zarate, economics; Elizabeth Fraser, geography; and Kathy Russell, philosophy, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 12:30 p.m.

Wellness Wednesday Series: “Lesbians and Gay Men in Athletics: Opening the Closet Door” National Presenter Patricia Scott Griffin, Ed.D., Professor of Social Justice Education, University of Massachusetts, Corey Union Brown Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 8
Sandwich Seminar: “Critical Race Theory and Health Policy,” presented by Cecile Lawrence, philosophy, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, Noon.
Lecture: “Homophobia in Sport,” presented by Patricia Griffin, professor of social justice at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, Old Main Brown Auditorium, 7 p.m.
Meeting: Teachers Education Council, Corey Union, Rooms 305-306, 3 p.m.
Lecture: SUNY Cortland President Erik J. Bitterbaum, recognized ornithologist, storyteller and orator, will deliver Lime Hollow Center for Environment and Culture’s annual Wilkins Bird Lecture, Smith School, 33 Wheeler St., Cortland, 7 p.m.

Sports Schedule

Tuesday, March 30
BASEBALL vs. Mt. St. Mary, 3 p.m.
Women’s Lacrosse at Brockport, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, March 31
SOFTBALL vs. Brockport, * 3 p.m.
MEN’S LACROSSE vs. Nazareth, 4 p.m.

Friday, April 2
SOFTBALL vs. Plattsburgh, * 3 p.m.
Women’s Gymnastics — NCGA Div. III Championships, tba., at MIT.

Saturday, April 3
SOFTBALL vs. Potsdam, *1 p.m.
Men’s and Women’s Outdoor Track and Field at Ithaca, 9:30 a.m.
Baseball at Brockport, * Noon.
Men’s Lacrosse at Hartwick, Noon.
Women’s Lacrosse at Potsdam, 1 p.m.
Women’s Gymnastics — NCGA Div. III Championships, tba., at MIT.

Sunday, April 4
BASEBALL vs. Fredonia, * 12 p.m.

Tuesday, April 6
SOFTBALL vs. Cazenovia, * 3 p.m.
WOMEN’S LACROSSE vs. Geneseo, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, April 7
BASEBALL vs. Ithaca, 3:30 p.m.
Men’s Lacrosse at Ithaca, 4 p.m.

Thursday, April 8
Women’s Lacrosse at Oswego, 4 p.m.

Friday, April 9
SOFTBALL vs. Oswego (2), 3 p.m.
Men’s and Women’s Outdoor Track and Field at Delaware Invitational, 4 p.m.

Saturday, April 10
Baseball at New Paltz, * Noon.
Softball at SUNYIT, * 1 p.m.
Men’s Lacrosse at Potsdam, 2 p.m.
Men’s and Women’s Outdoor Track and Field at Delaware Invitational, tba.

Sunday, April 11
Baseball at Rensselaer, 1 p.m.
* Represents doubleheader
Girish Bhat Receives Rozanne Brooks Dedicated Teacher Award

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“My approach to teaching history stems from two basic beliefs I have held since I arrived at Cortland a dozen years ago,” Bhat commented. “First, teaching in any discipline is deeply and ultimately a human act, a human endeavor. Its success or failure, therefore, arises from its essential humanity above all else. Second, the humanness of the teaching vocation is best revealed in the classroom. Nothing is more important in determining an individual’s success in college than what occurs in class between student and instructor.”

Colleagues and former students offered their insights on Bhat as a teacher.

“I noticed from the first his dedication to his students and that is what prompted me to ask him if he would be interested in succeeding me as coordinator of the Honors Program,” said Joel Shatzky, English, noting that Bhat was at the time a relatively new faculty member. “I worked with him closely in his first years and can say that his involvement with the students and dedication to their success indicated to me that I had made the right choice. Girish has always struck me as being a truly ‘student-oriented’ faculty member.”

“He has a delightful sense of humor, another of Dr. Brooks’ criteria, and both his students and fellow World First colleagues appreciate his witty comments in class, during meetings and at other events,” said Jean LeLoup, international communications and culture.

“Most impressive is his students’ regular participation in the Scholars’ Day programs,” said Judith Van Buskirk, history. “Last year, I attended a session where five of his students swallowed their fear and presented their research on Russian history. Professor Bhat made them stretch personally and academically.”

“I learned more than just my topic,” said Michelle Talley, a former student of Bhat who currently lives in Cazenovia, N.Y. “I learned about the history profession, individual research and the craft of writing. I graduated in 2001 Summa Cum Laude and became a graduate student at SUNY Cortland. Bhat is a phenomenal teacher, mentor and example to history students and a vital part of the Cortland community.”

“His door is open to students for many more hours than syllabus would suggest,” said former student Adam Brechner of Ithaca, N.Y. “We often spent hours at a time discussing fascinating facts about Russian or European history, literature, the arts, athletics or the Oakland As.”

A member of the SUNY Cortland faculty since 1992, Bhat was hired as an assistant professor and was promoted in 1997 to associate professor. He teaches undergraduate courses in Foundations of Modern Russia 1882-94, Russia Since 1894, The Soviet Union 1917-53, World Since 1500, Western Civilization Since 1715, Twentieth-Century World History and the History of Women in Modern Europe; and a graduate course in Russian Law and Society.

Bhat is the author of peer-reviewed articles in his field, book reviews and conference papers and is currently working on a book-length study on the rule of law in imperial Russia. He speaks Russian, German and French. He is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, the Association of Central New York Russian Historians and the American Society for Legal History.

Previously, he was a graduate instructor at the University of California at Berkeley, where he earned both his master’s and doctoral degrees in history. He received a bachelor’s degree in history, summa cum laude with departmental distinction, from Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas.

Bhat was honored with a Mellon Fellowship in the Humanities, an International Research and Exchanges Board fellowship for doctoral research in the Soviet Union and a Michael I. Gurevich Memorial Prize in Russian History. He is a member of the interdisciplinary honor society Phi Beta Kappa and the history honor society Phi Alpha Theta.

He and his wife, Sharon Steadman, live in Ithaca. Steadman, sociology and anthropology, coordinates the College’s International Studies Program and directs the Brooks Museum in Cornell Hall.

For more information about the Brooks Dedicated Teacher’s Award, contact Cortland College Foundation Executive Director Lisa Court at ext. 5578.

Open Recreation Schedule Posted

Park Center Basketball Gym D-305
Monday 7-11 p.m.
Tuesday 8-11 p.m.
Wednesday/Thursday 6-11 p.m.
Friday 6-10 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m.-10 p.m.
Sunday Noon-11 p.m.

Park Center Racquetball/Squash/Table Tennis/Pro-Star Fitness Circuit
Monday-Friday 6:30-8 a.m. and 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Monday-Thursday 4-11 p.m.
Friday 4-10 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m.-10 p.m.
Sunday Noon-11 p.m.

Park Center Pool
Tuesday/Thursday/Friday 6:30-9:30 p.m.
Saturday/Sunday 3-9 p.m.

Field House
Monday-Friday 6:30-8 a.m.

Moffett Pool
Monday-Friday 6:30-8 a.m. and 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Monday/Wednesday 7-10 p.m.

Moffett Gym
Monday-Thursday 3-11 p.m.
Friday 3-10 p.m.
Saturday Noon-6 p.m.
Sunday Noon-11 p.m.

Equipment Check-Out
Monday-Thursday 4-11 p.m.
Friday 4-10 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m.-10 p.m.
Sunday Noon-11 p.m.

Tomik Fitness Facilities*
Monday-Thursday 6 a.m.-11 p.m.
Friday 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m.-10 p.m.
Sunday 9 a.m.-11 p.m.

Woods Fitness Facilities*
Monday-Friday 6:30-8:30 a.m.
Monday-Thursday 11 a.m.-11 p.m.
Friday 11 a.m.-10 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m.-10 p.m.
Sunday Noon-11 p.m.

*Faculty/staff and their families must purchase a semester pass or daily pass to use these facilities. Students must present their SUNY Cortland photo I.D. cards. Fitness Facilities are not available to Club Rec members.

All open recreation hours are subject to change. For more information, call ext. 4960.
President to Speak on Birds At Lime Hollow on April 8

President Erik J. Bitterbaum, a recognized ornithologist, storyteller and orator, will deliver the Lime Hollow Center for Environment and Culture’s annual Wilkins Bird Lecture on Thursday, April 8, at Smith School in Cortland.

The lecture will begin at 7 p.m. The school is located at 33 Wheeler St.

The presentation is free and open to the public. Donations will be accepted to benefit the Lime Hollow Center, located at 3091 Gracie Road in Cortlandville, N.Y.

Bitterbaum’s talk promises to be a good way to celebrate the springtime return of robins, cardinals and red-winged blackbirds to Central New York.

For more information, contact Carol Navarro, Lime Hollow Center public program coordinator, at 758-5462.

Political Science Author to Discuss Bush, War, Economy on March 30

Harvard professor and award-winning author Thomas E. Patterson, one of America’s leading experts on U.S. politics and political communication, will speak at 7 p.m. in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge on Tuesday, March 30.

Patterson’s lecture on “Bush, War and the Economy: Will Voters Flock to the Polls in November?” is free and open to the public.

The lecture is sponsored by the Political Science Department, the Office of the Provost and the Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Campus Artist and Lecture Series (CALS), the Political Science Association, the History Club, the Sociology Club, Student Government Association and the Cortland College Foundation. This event is supported by the mandatory activity fee.

For more information, contact the Political Science Department at ext. 4105.

Applications Available for 2004-05 Corey Union Student Directors

Applications for Corey Union student directors for the 2004-05 year are available and due in the Campus Activities and Corey Union Office by 4 p.m. on Friday, April 2.

Application packets and job descriptions are available at the following locations: Campus Activities Corey Union Office, Corey Union, Room 406; Corey Union Information Center, Corey Union, Lobby Floor; Residential Services Office, Van Hoens Hall, Room B-57; Student Employment Services, Van Hoens Hall, Room B-33.

For additional information, contact Kevin Pristash, Corey Union, at ext. 2321.

Timely Return Sought for Summer Session Faculty Contracts

Summer Session contracts will be distributed to faculty either by campus mail or directly to their home addresses on April 1. One signed copy of the contract should be returned to Mary Cervoni, Brockway Hall, Room 122, within 10 days of the contract date.

Timely return of the contract assists the office with preparation of the Summer Session payroll so individuals may be paid on time.

Those with questions or concerns about contracts, or those not receiving a contract but expecting one, should contact Mary Cervoni at ext. 4207.

Open Discussion of Common Time Proposals Planned for April 2

The Cultural and Intellectual Climate Committee will hold an open discussion on Friday, April 2, about its proposal for a common time. The meeting will be held from 1:30-2:30 p.m. in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge.

Members of the campus community have supported the idea of a common time during the regular schedule for all-campus events, discussions, lectures, and other programs.

The Committee has developed a set of three proposed schedules, descriptions of which were announced campus-wide by e-mail during March. The Committee welcomes comments and observations.

For more information, contact Kevin B. Sheets, history, at ext. 2060 or by e-mail to sheetskb@cornell.edu.

College Republicans Host All-Day Conference on Campus April 3

The SUNY Cortland College Republicans will present “Conservatism…Running American The Right Way,” at a conference from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. on April 3.

The conference will be held in Old Main, Room 121, and is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

Dan Flynn, the author of “Why the Left Hates America,” will give the keynote address. The conference will include local elected officials, state senators, and representatives from Congressman Sherwood Boehlert’s office.

The program will consist of workshops, lectures and a debate on topics including liberal bias on college campuses, contradictions in the Democratic Party philosophy, the war on terrorism, the Second Amendment, campaign fundraising and more.

For more information, contact Dan Walker at ext. 4816.

Announcement of Cancelled Lecture

The lecture “Religious Pluralism in the Islamic World,” which was scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 1, has been cancelled and will be rescheduled for next fall.

For more information, contact Rev. Donald Wilcox, 753-1002.

Performances of ‘The Mystery of Edwin Drood’ Run Through April 4

The Broadway musical whodunit “The Mystery of Edwin Drood” will run through April 4 in the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre.

Performances are at 8 p.m. on Friday, April 2, and Saturday, April 3, and at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 4.

The audience will be asked to vote each evening on which character they believe is the murderer. The musical comedy by Rupert Holmes is presented by the Performing Arts Department. It is based on Charles Dickens’ last and uncompleted novel of the same name.

Tickets are $14 general public, $12 senior citizens and SUNY staff, and $7 for all students. Tickets are on sale at Jodi’s Hallmark Shop and at the door.

For more information, contact the Performing Arts Department at ext. 2811.

April 7 Sandwich Seminar to Present a Glimpse of Cuba

“Get a Glimpse of Cuba” will be presented by German Zarate, economics; Elizabeth Fraser, geography; and Kathy Russell, philosophy, at an April 7 Sandwich Seminar in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge.

The 12:30 p.m. seminar will include a slide presentation and discussion. Their “first-hand glimpse” is based on travels to Cuba.

Zarate, Fraser, and Russell will discuss Cuba’s unique combination of Spanish, African and American heritage and the effects of the socialist revolution. They will also address the free education system, health service and general culture.

For more information, contact Zarate at ext. 239, Fraser at ext. 2992 or Russell at ext. 2014.
Cynthia J. Benton and Judith Schillo, childhood/early childhood education, have had their article, “School and University Collaboration Partners: A Model of Collegial Support of Literacy and Professional Development,” accepted for publication in the Winter 2004 issue of Action in Teacher Education. The article documents their professional development work with area elementary teachers.

Cynthia J. Benton and Andrea LaChance, childhood/early childhood education and Tim Slekar of Penn State, Altoona, Pa., presented “Supply and Demand and Dissatisfaction in Teacher Education: Insights on the Emerging Teacher Education Professorate” at the annual conference of the Association of Teacher Educators in Dallas, Texas. The authors summarized their current work documenting job market availability and circumstances affecting faculty performance in the current education environment.

Maureen Boyd, literacy, will present her paper, “Display Questions as Contingent Teaching in One Elementary ESol Classroom” at the International American Association for Applied Linguistics Conference May 2 in Portland, Ore.

Allen Mooney, art and art history, presented a paper at the College Art Association’s 92nd annual national conference held in February in Seattle, Wash. “Sculpture and Drawing as Metaphor: Recovered Visions of A Combat Experience in Vietnam,” was presented in the session “Rebels with a Cause or the Wounded Generation.” The abstracts presented were published in Abstracts 2004, College Art Association, New York. Papers were selected from submissions by artists and art historians from the U.S. and Canada.

Undergraduate geology student Stephanie DeSisto presented a paper co-authored with Gayle Gleason, geology, titled “Characterization of a Small Mylonitic Shear Zone, Western Adirondacks,” at the joint meeting of the Northeastern and Southeastern Sections of the Geological Society of America. The meeting was held March 25-27 in Tysons Corner, Va.


Raymond Franco, student affairs, recently completed a two-day trip to SUNY Fredonia to conduct an external review of that campus’ residence life and housing program. Franco toured approximately half of the residence halls on the campus, interviewed more than 40 students, College President Dennis Hefner, Vice President for Student Affairs David Herman, the Central Office staff for Residence Life and Housing as well as residence hall directors and resident assistants. Franco reviewed the department’s budget, the five-year capital plan, staffing patterns in both physical plant and administration and spoke with closely affiliated professionals including the director of facilities and the chief of University Police. Franco will submit a report to the Fredonia campus that will describe program strengths as well as areas that can be improved. The external review at Fredonia is part of the campus’ assessment process and is conducted every five years.

James H. Manley, Jr., residential services, recently presented the keynote address at the Small College Consortium Student Leadership Conference held at D’Youville College in Buffalo. The presentation addressed characteristics of a successful student leader and was titled, “Having Fun While Decreasing Stress and Increasing Success.” This semester he has also presented various training workshops for the professional and student staff members at SUNY Binghamton, Manhattanville College, the College of Saint Rose and Mount Saint Mary College.

Thomas O. Mwanika, communication studies, was recently informed that his paper, “Teaching and Learning Statistics through Golf,” has been accepted for presentation at the Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences. The conference convenes at the Sheraton Waikiki Hotel, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 16-19.

Minna Resnick, art and art history, is exhibiting her work along with Patricia Hunsinger ’98 at the Ink Shop Printmaking Center in Ithaca, N.Y. The show will run through April 30 and is titled, “Growing Up/All Grown Up — Works on Paper.” Both artists presented a lecture at the gallery on March 27.

In addition, Resnick will be part of an artist panel titled “Re-visioning Women’s Bodies: Three Points of View” at 5 p.m. on March 31 at the Johnson Museum, Cornell University, Ithaca. The panel is part of a program for Women’s History Month at Cornell, titled “Unraveled: Body Image Past and Present.” The other artist panelists are Ellie Brown and Robin Lasser.

Robert Spitzer, political science, is the author of a book chapter titled, “Gun Control: Constitutional Mandate or Myth?” for a book titled Moral Controversies in American Politics. The book analyzes a variety of controversial social issues, and is to be published by M.E. Sharpe next year.

Arden Zipp, chemistry, recently presented a workshop for 15 Advanced Placement (AP) chemistry teachers at Triton College in River Grove, Ill. During the four-hour chemistry workshop Zipp discussed the AP curriculum and exam and presented tips for teaching such areas as chemical equilibrium, thermodynamics, chemical kinetics, and descriptive chemistry. He also provided suggestions for ways to include more student laboratory work in the course. The one-day event, which was sponsored by the Midwest Regional Office of the College Board, featured a total of 35 sessions in 28 AP subjects for more than 400 teachers, making it one of the largest such activities in the country.
Coming Events

Monday, March 29
Lecture: “¡A Desalambrar!: Women, Empowerment and Organizing in Colombia” by Marylen Serna Salinas, a community organizer in Cajibio, Colombia, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, March 30
Panel Discussion: “Women’s Roles in Cultures and History” panelists include: Fatima Muhaidat, SUNY Binghamton, will discuss “Expectations of Women in Jordanian Culture and Islam”; Hai Ying Wang, international communications and culture, will present on “Women’s Roles in China”; Randi Storch, history, will speak on “Roles of Women in Factories and in Homes During World War II,” Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 4 p.m.
Lecture: “Bush, War and the Economy: Will Voters Flock to the Polls in November?” by Thomas E. Patterson, Harvard professor, author and a leading expert on U.S. politics and political communication, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 7 p.m.
March: “Take Back the Night March” Corey Union front steps, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, March 31
Women’s History Month Conclusion: “Day of Music and Dance” to feature the following events:
• Sandwich Seminar: “Women of Tango and Beyond” Gina Gammage-Sikora, international communications and culture, and Stephen Wilson, performing arts, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, at 12:30 p.m.
• Closing Reception: Old Main, Room 122, 1-3 p.m.
• Performance: The B.F. Harridans, a women’s Morris dancing team with Women’s Studies Committee Chair Amy Burtner, English, Old Main lobby, 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Performance: Barbershop.Com, featuring Nancy Albro, Multicultural and Gender Studies Center, Old Main, Room 122, 3-4 p.m.
Discussion: “AIDS in a Global Context,” video and discussion presented by Dani Berchtold ’99, Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 6 p.m.
Wellness Wednesday Series: “Sexual Assault Awareness Week,” Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 7 p.m.
Habfest Sleep Out: Overnight awareness raiser for Habitat for Humanity, Corey Union front steps, 8 p.m.

Thursday, April 1
Community Roundtable: “Truth? Distortion? Lies? Strategies to Process the Campaign Hype,” panel discussion, Park Center Hall of Fame Room, 8 a.m., refreshments served at 7:45 a.m.
Lecture: Deputy Attorney General Martin Mack will talk about Cortland’s native son and 1904 Democratic presidential candidate, “Alton B. Parker: A Look Back,” Old Main Brown Auditorium, 12:15 p.m.
Lecture: New York State Attorney General Eliot Spitzer will discuss “Corporate Ethics and Responsibilities: 1904 and 2004,” Old Main Brown Auditorium, 12:30 p.m. A reception in the Old Main third floor mezzanine will follow.
Film and Discussion: Russian film followed by discussion titled “The Stroll”: Its Connections to Modern Day Life and the Petersburg Myth,” led by Melissa J. Sokol, a teaching fellow at Brown University, Old Main, Room 6-09, 4:30 p.m.
Presentation: 1985 Nobel Prize for Peace winner Victor Sidel will present “A Physician’s View on Peace and Justice” Sperry Center, Room 214, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, April 2
Open Discussion: Presentation of the proposal for a common time by the Cultural and Intellectual Climate Committee, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Performance: “The Mystery of Edwin Drood,” based on Charles Dickens’ musical whodunit, presented by the Performing Arts Department, Dowd Fine Arts Theatre, 8 p.m.

Saturday, April 3
Spring Open House: 22nd annual Admissions Open House, Park Center, 8 a.m.
Conference: “Conservatism… Running America ‘The Right’ Way,” presented by the SUNY Cortland College Republicans, Old Main, Room 121, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Performance: “The Mystery of Edwin Drood,” based on Charles Dickens’ musical whodunit, presented by the Performing Arts Department, Dowd Fine Arts Theatre, 8 p.m.

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