SUNY Cortland Becomes New York State's Largest Nationally Accredited Teacher Education Program

The National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) informed SUNY Cortland on Oct. 27 that its extensive teacher education programs have all been nationally accredited by the organization through 2009.

With more than half of its 7,300 students pursuing education-related majors, SUNY Cortland now becomes New York’s largest nationally accredited teacher education program.

“NCATE is a commendation of the quality of teachers that we produce,” said President Erik J. Bitterbaum. “It’s a mark of distinction.”

Ed Caffarella, dean of the School of Education, noted that NCATE’s rigorous standards attest to the excellence of Cortland’s programs.

“Our teacher education programs have always been among the best in the nation and now that excellence has been recognized,” said Caffarella. “The students, the faculty, and the entire college community share the pride for continuing the 138-year-old tradition of educating the best teachers for New York schools.

“SUNY Cortland was among the first institutions to be accredited by NCATE in 1954. During the 1980s, most New York institutions, including SUNY Cortland, decided not to continue accreditation. This re-accreditation of accreditation again places SUNY Cortland among the elite teacher education programs in the United States.”

That position was bolstered recently when Consumers’ Digest ranked Cortland, a highly selective Tier II institution within the State University of New York, as the lone Central New York higher education institution in its Top 50 Best Values Among Public Colleges and Universities in the U.S.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Department of Education recognizes NCATE as a professional accrediting body for colleges and universities that prepare teachers and other professional personnel for work in elementary and secondary schools.

NCATE is a non-profit, non-governmental organization founded in 1954. More than 30 national associations representing the education profession at-large make up the council. The associations that comprise NCATE appoint representatives to NCATE’s policy boards, which develop NCATE standards, policies, and procedures. Membership on policy boards includes representatives from organizations of teacher educators, teachers, state and local policymakers.

With its dual mission of accountability and improvement in teacher preparation, NCATE, through its accreditation process,
Community Roundtable on Nov. 4 to Address Declining Interest in Politics by Today’s Youth

A faculty and student panel will discuss the broader implications of the growing apathy of today’s adolescents and young adults toward all things political during a Community Roundtable on Thursday, Nov. 4.

Titled “The Dot.Com Generation: What Impact Will It Have on the Future of Our Democracy?,” 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.

The panelists are: Richard Kendrick, anthropology/sociology; student Lauren Caruso, who serves as campus coordinator for Democracy Matters; and student Ray Grogan, chairperson of the Young Democrats at SUNY Cortland.

Laura Gathagan, library, will moderate the discussion. A question-and-answer period will follow the presentation.

Research on the political involvement of young people has shown a consistent decline in various forms of political engagement, including paying attention to public issues in the news and voting. The forum will examine whether these trends hold for the current generation, nicknamed the “Dot.coms,” and if so, what are the consequences for America’s democracy. Panelists will also address whether anything can be done to reverse the decline in political participation.

“We may know by Nov. 2 if the decline in youth participation has been reversed,” Kendrick said.

“After the election, there may be news analysis in time for us to use about the level of influence of young people on the election. We will also look for pollsters who have collected data on the ages of voters. I will discuss the general trends concerning youth participation in politics over the last several generations.”

The students, Caruso and Grogan, were both involved in the recent voter registration drive on the campus which signed up almost 1,400 new voters, Kendrick said.

Grogan, a senior political science major from Liverpool, N.Y., will also discuss the broader purposes of the American Democracy Project.

“We’re trying to get students to feel more engaged in their local community by participating in food pantries and other volunteer organizations,” Grogan said.

For more information on the Community Roundtable series, contact the Center for Educational Exchange at ext. 4214.

ASC-Sponsored Essay Contest Details Announced

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, the College Store is sponsoring an essay contest on the topic, “What I’m Thankful For at SUNY Cortland.”

The contest is open to students, faculty and staff. Participants should limit their essays to 100 words or less and submit them in person to Emily Gray at the College Store or by e-mail to graye@cortland.edu.

Entries must be received by Wednesday, Nov. 17. A committee of judges will select three winners from each of two categories, students and faculty/staff. Winners in each category will be awarded the following prizes: first prize — a $50 Auxiliary Services Corporation (ASC) gift card; second prize — a $25 ASC gift card; and third prize — a $10 ASC gift card. Winners will be announced on Monday, Dec. 6.

The contest is supported by the President’s Office, Enrollment and Curriculum Management Office, Division of Institutional Advancement, Memorial Library and the English Department.

Faculty Senate Hears ROTC Classroom Proposal

The Faculty Senate listened to a request from a Cornell University Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) professor seeking a classroom to offer required course work to the four SUNY Cortland students currently enrolled in the ROTC program at Cornell.

Lt. Col. Glenn Reisweber, a professor of military science in the Cornell ROTC program, spoke to the Faculty Senate at its regularly scheduled meeting on Oct. 26 in the Core Union Fireplace Lounge. He informed senators that he was seeking a site on the Cortland campus to preclude having the students travel in wintry weather to Ithaca. Some classes are presently offered at the Cortland VFW Post on Main Street in downtown Cortland.

Reisweber said that the affected students would be freshmen and sophomores, as juniors and seniors must take all their ROTC courses at Cornell University as part of the team-building efforts. SUNY Cortland is one of four “partner schools,” along with SUNY Binghamton, Elmira College and Ithaca College, that send their ROTC students to Cornell.

ROTC classes have not been taught at SUNY Cortland since the 1990s. In 1992, members of the SUNY Cortland community sent a letter to then-Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney informing him that the College would withdraw its official recognition of the SUNY Cortland ROTC program if the government did not revisit and review its policies against the enlistment and commissioning of homosexuals in the military. The College’s action was overwhelmingly supported in a campus-wide referendum.

The following year, Congress passed its “don’t ask, don’t tell” policy regarding homosexuality in the military, explained Reisweber. The policy requires that as long as homosexual men and women in the military don’t volunteer their sexual orientation, commanders won’t try to seek them.

SUNY Cortland cannot deny its students the opportunity to pursue ROTC classes elsewhere or it would forfeit its federal funding under the Solomon Amendment, explained President Erik J. Bitterbaum, who invited Reisweber to speak to the Faculty Senate.

“A lot has happened in the last 12 years,” said Bitterbaum. “The world has changed. The faculty has changed. We would not be bringing an ROTC program back to campus, but I thought we could have a discussion about allowing officers to teach the courses to our ROTC students on our campus.”

The Senate will vote on the request at its next meeting on Nov. 9.

Also at that meeting, the Senate will discuss a motion by Senator John Cottone, exercise science and sport studies, that the Faculty Senate appoint an ad hoc committee to study the composition of the Senate and make recommendations that will assure fair and adequate representation of each constituency. The motion also asks that the Senate conduct a referendum of the voting faculty on the recommendations approved by the Senate.
Events Planned for International Education Week Nov. 15-20

SUNY Cortland will celebrate its expanding international presence during the third annual International Education Week from Nov. 15-20, six days packed with music, art, games, international foods, lectures and special events.

An initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education that is celebrated globally, International Education Week has been used by American colleges and universities to promote programs that prepare Americans for a global environment and attract future leaders from abroad to study, learn and exchange knowledge in the U.S.

“Issues of peace, economics, international trade, technology, energy resources and diplomacy require a special comprehension of how other people think and live,” observed SUNY Cortland President Erik J. Bitterbaum, stressing that, for students, international education should be a major college priority.

According to John Ogden, international programs, SUNY Cortland has developed new programs in the past year to help New York’s students develop global competence, experience a deep appreciation of other nations, peoples and cultures, and acquire the skills needed to pursue careers across national boundaries.

“During 2003-2004, well over 100 SUNY Cortland students studied abroad while a sizeable group of international students from 11 countries on four continents studied at Cortland,” Ogden said. “Ideas and plans for new study abroad programs and other forms of international collaboration have been bubbling up from faculty in many departments and disciplines.”

“There has been new energy and new excitement in our international initiatives,” said Distinguished Service Professor Henry Steck, Center for International Education (CIE).

Events are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted. International cuisine menu choices will be made available by Auxiliary Services Corporation throughout the week in the dining halls. During the week, participants may enter a raffle to win one free round-trip ticket to Australia.

On Monday, Nov. 15, Jeremiah Donovan, art and art history, will present a display of Chinese ceramics, tapestries, photographs, video and cultural artifacts. The exhibition, titled “Sights and Sounds of China,” runs from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. through Thursday in the Old Main lobby.

From 4-5 p.m. in the Old Main colloquium Room, photographer Tom Haskell will present examples of his work in an exhibition titled “A View of The World.” Born and raised in Cortland, N.Y., Haskell lives in Washington D.C., where he has specialized in public relations and event photography and covered events involving two U.S. presidents. As a volunteer chief field

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Students Can Enter Drawing For Airline Ticket to Australia

The International Programs Office will draw a round-trip ticket to Australia during International Education Week Nov. 15-19. The drawing is the culmination of a semester-long promotion designed to entice students to events sponsored by the International Programs Office.

The round trip ticket on Qantas airlines was donated by Student Travel Australia (STA Travel), the world’s largest wholesaler of student and faculty travel.

Entry forms will be available at sessions being presented by the International Programs Office at various campus venues throughout International Education Week. The daily presentations are designed to increase awareness of study abroad, internship and volunteer overseas opportunities.

The drawing is open only to students at SUNY Cortland.

International Education Week events include:

Monday, Nov. 15
English Language Programs Abroad, Old Main lobby, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 16
Internships, Work and Volunteer Experiences Abroad, Old Main lobby, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 17
Foreign Language Programs Abroad, Old Main lobby, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 18
Study Abroad Opportunities for Physical Education, Exercise Science and Sport Studies, Studio West main lobby, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 19
Physical Education and Exercise Science and Sport Studies Opportunities Abroad, Park Center main lobby, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

For more information, contact the International Programs Office, Old Main, Room B-15, at ext. 2209.
Former Kenyan Ambassador to Discuss African Poverty Paradox on Nov. 17

Bob Jalang’o, the former ambassador from Kenya to the United Nations, will address “The Paradox of Africa’s Poverty Amidst Vast Natural Resources” on Wednesday, Nov. 17. Jalang’o will begin his lecture at 4:30 p.m. in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge.

In terms of natural resources, Africa can be described as the biblical Canaan, a “land full of milk and honey,” according to Jalang’o. Yet poverty abounds everywhere on the continent, especially in sub-Saharan Africa compared to most countries in East Asia and Southeast Asia that have achieved some substantial progress in reducing poverty through rapid economic growth. Virtually no progress was made in sub-Saharan Africa.

Analyses confirm that Africa’s problems are both internal and external. Internal factors include corruption, mismanagement of resources and high incidence of HIV/AIDS, while external factors include the effects of globalization, lack of level playing ground in world trade, most notably, the refusal by the U.S., Europe and Japan to reduce agricultural subsidies to farmers in their own countries.

Jalang’o initially served in the private sector as an information technology manager based in Nairobi and working in six Eastern and Central African countries. Venturing into politics, he was elected a member of Parliament in his native Kenya. During his five-year term, Jalang’o travelled extensively to represent Kenya at Commonwealth Parliamentary conferences and in negotiations in Brussels between European Union, African and Caribbean nations. He was elected to chair the powerful parliamentary watchdog, Public Accounts Committee.

In 1993, he was appointed Kenya’s ambassador to Zambia, Malawi and Botswana in Central Africa, before being appointed Kenya’s ambassador to Italy, Greece and Poland in April 1997. While based in Rome, he was also responsible as permanent representative to the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations, the World Food Program and the International Fund for Agriculture and Development.

From 2000-03, he served as Kenya’s ambassador and permanent representative to the United Nations in New York, where he chaired the U.N. Economic and Social Council’s (ECOSOC) Working Group on Informatics.

Jalang’o is currently a consultant and advisor to two U.S.-based international corporations, Exus Global, Inc., and International Security, with offices in New York and New Jersey, respectively.

The lecture is sponsored by the TransAfrica Project affiliated with the College’s Center for International Education, African American Studies Project, the Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies, the Campus Artist and Lecture Series and International Programs. For more information, contact Mecke Nagel, philosophy, at ext. 2013 or nagelm@cornell.edu.

Ninth Annual Native American Film Festival Will Feature Three Movies During November

The ninth annual Native American Film Festival, featuring movies focusing on the issues and concerns of contemporary Native Americans as well as a discussion of Native film and stereotypes, will continue on campus Tuesday, Nov. 2.

The Festival opened on Oct. 26, with the film “Coyote Waits.”

The films will be shown at 7 p.m. in Sperry Center, Room 209, and are free and open to the public.

On Tuesday, Nov. 2, a PBS Mystery Hillerman story, “A Thief of Time,” features film stars Wes Studi and Adam Beach as Navajo Tribal policemen, Joe Leaphorn and Jim Chee. Chee and Leaphorn confront the ongoing problem of Anasazi pot hunters who rob the Navaho reservation sites.

Anthropologist Ellie Friedland-Bernai vanishes, just as she may have discovered a black market in stolen Anasazi pots. Peter Fonda plays Harrison Houk, a rich rancher and pot collector, who may have been the last one to see Ellie alive. Graham Greene plays Slick Nakai, running his tent revival and meddling in other things, like stolen pots. Chee and Leaphorn must find Ellie and the strange creature that looks like the flute player, Kokopelli.

Directed by well-known Native American director Chris Eyre, the 2004 movie runs 95 minutes.

On Tuesday, Nov. 9, “The Doe Boy” will be shown. This first full-length film by Randy Redroad stars James Duval as Hunter Kirk and Gordon Tootoosis as his grandfather. Based on an autobiographical incident, Hunter shoots a doe by mistake when trying for his first buck. It earns him his nickname and impacts his relationship with his father for the rest of his life. Hunter is of mixed Native and white blood and is a fragile hemophilic. Redroad’s 2001 film takes a different look at Native life in Oklahoma. First shown at the Sundance Festival and the Taos Talking Pictures Festival, the movie runs 87 minutes.

On Wednesday, Nov. 17, “The Missing,” starring Tommy Lee Jones as a grandfather named Jones and Cate Blanchett as his daughter, Maggie, will be shown. In this film, the line blurs between good and evil with the kidnapping of the character played by Tommy Lee Jones’ granddaughter, Lily. The kidnappers plan to sell her and others as slaves in Mexico. When the local sheriff, played by Clinton Howard, and the local military, headed by an officer portrayed by Val Kilmer, offer no help, the bereft grandfather and his daughter unite and try to rescue the girl. This begins a strange journey dealing with bad guys and witchcraft. This Ron Howard film runs 137 minutes.

Hosted by the Native American Studies Committee, the film is funded by the Auxiliary Services Corporation, the Native American Studies Committee and the Migrant Education Outreach Program.

For more information, contact Dawn Van Hall at ext. 4890.

Lisa Rogers Named New EAP Coordinator

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Committee recently announced that Lisa Rogers, telecommunications, is the new coordinator of the Employee Assistance Program (EAP), effective immediately.

She replaces Melinda Van Etten, counseling center, who resigned as EAP Coordinator after many years of dedicated service.

Rogers is available to provide confidential problem assessment and referral services to New York State employees and their family members who are experiencing personal/family problems that may negatively affect job performance.

She recently attended extensive training at the Coordinator Institute in Albany. She may be reached by calling the EAP Office at ext. 5777 or the Telecommunications Department at ext. 2311.
Physicist to Present ‘Oppenheimer’ as Part of 2004-05 Sigma Xi Lecture Series on Nov. 4

John S. Rigden, adjunct professor of physics at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo, will discuss “J. Robert Oppenheimer: The Brilliant Charismatic, American Enigma” on Thursday, Nov. 4, at SUNY Cortland.

The second lecture in the 2004-05 Cortland Chapter of Sigma Xi series, the presentation begins at 7:30 p.m. in Sperry Center Johnson Lecture Hall, Room 126. The lectures, which are free and open to the public, will celebrate three events: the success of Rovers’ Mars Missions, the 2005 World Year of Physics and the birth centennial of J. Robert Oppenheimer, Father of the Atom Bomb.

Rigden received his Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins University in 1960 and began his career as a post-doctoral fellow at Harvard University. From 1973 to 1990, he chaired the Physics Department at the University of Missouri, St. Louis.

Rigden has served in various capacities at the American Institute of Physics, including as director of special projects, editor of the American Journal of Physics, publications board member of the American Institute of Physics, and member of the National Academy of Science’s Committee on Communicating Science With the Public. He has written and edited 11 books, most recently, Einstein, 1905: The Standard of Greatness, Harvard University Press (in press). Rigden is the author of numerous papers published in refereed journals and invited talks, colloquia and seminars. He has given talks on the life of Oppenheimer at home and abroad.

At 5 p.m. before the lecture, campus community members will have the opportunity of dining with Rigden at the Rusty Nail restaurant. Interested individuals are asked to RSVP no later than Monday, Nov. 1.

The lecture is supported by the Biological Sciences, Chemistry Geology and Physics Departments and clubs, the Dean of Arts and Sciences Office, the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Office, the President’s Office and the Campus Artists and Lecture Series Committee.

For more information, contact Ram P. Chaturvedi, physics, at ext. 2914 or chaturvedi@cottland.edu.

‘Food for Fines’ to Help Area’s Hungry

Memorial Library is offering a unique way for students to pay their overdue fines while helping those in the local area in need of food.

The Food for Fines Program, in conjunction with the Cortland County Nutrition Program, Helping Hands Food Pantry, and students from the Honors Program, will run from Monday, Nov. 1, through Monday, Nov. 15.

Library users with overdue fines will have an opportunity to “pay” their fines by contributing food items. For example, four packages of Ramen noodles equals $1.50 in fines, or one box of cereal equals $1.50 in fines. A list of food examples and their dollar equivalents can be found on the Memorial Library home page at http://library.cortland.edu.

Those who do not have fines but wish to donate food can do so. Memorial Library in conjunction with the Honors Program students will accept donations of pre-packaged food in cans (formula, vegetables, pudding, spaghetti sauce, etc.), boxes (cereal, pasta, juice boxes, etc.), and plastic jars (mayonnaise, juices, salad dressings, etc.). Food will be accepted for fines only and not for lost book charges.

Contributions will be donated to the Cortland County Nutrition Program, Helping Hands Food Pantry.

Food contributions will be accepted during regular business hours at the Circulation Desk, Memorial Library.

For more information, contact Lorraine Melita, library, at melital@cortland.edu or call ext. 4009.

Annual Recreation Conference Set for Nov. 4-5

The 54th annual SUNY Cortland Recreation Conference will be held in Corey Union Nov. 4-5.

“Creating Connections” is the theme of the two-day gathering, the nation’s oldest continuous collegiate-sponsored recreation education conference. Sponsored by the Recreation and Leisure Studies Department, the conference receives additional support for its Metcalf Lecture from the Metcalf Endowment and the Campus Artist and Lecture Series.

John Dattilo, professor and chair of the Department of Recreation, Park and Tourism Management at Pennsylvania State University, will deliver the prestigious Metcalf Endowment Lecture. Dattilo has been awarded for his research examining the effects of interventions designed to enhance self-determination of people with disabilities relative to their leisure participation. He will discuss “Creating Connections as an Enlightened Professional” at 1:15 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 5, in the Corey Union Function Room. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. on both Thursday and Friday in Corey Union. The fee is $60 for professionals and $15 for students for both days; $45 for professionals and $10 for students to attend Thursday only; and $50 for professionals and $10 for students to attend Friday only. The registration fee includes meals. Additional information may be obtained by calling ext. 4939 or online at www.cortland.edu/rec, where the brochure and registration form may be viewed or printed.

The conference will offer more than 47 educational sessions and practical workshops on recreation management, therapeutic recreation, outdoor recreation, programming and youth development. More than 400 recreation professionals and college recreation majors are expected to participate in the conference.

African American Gospel Music Festival On Nov. 7 Will Feature Five Guest Choirs

The African American Gospel Music Festival will be held on Sunday, Nov. 7.

The festival, hosted by the SUNY Cortland Gospel Choir, will run from 4-6:30 p.m. in Old Main Brown Auditorium. Admission is free and open to the public. A reception will follow the concert.

Guest choirs this year include the SUNY Albany Angelic Voices of Praise, SUNY Oswego Gospel Choir, Syracuse University’s Black Celestial Choral Ensemble, Ithaca College Amani Singers and the SUNY Oswego Gospel Choir.

Directing Cortland’s Gospel Choir will be Robert Brown, African American Studies. Choir musicians are Andy Rudy on keyboard, Reginald Segler on bass guitar and Todd Trotman, percussionist.

Selections by the SUNY Cortland Gospel Choir will be: “I Will Bless The Lord” and “I Need You to Survive,” by Hezekiah Walker; “Because of These Things” by New Divine Destiny; “The Best Is Yet to Come” and “I Never Seen The Righteous,” by Donald Lawrence; and “Total Praise,” by Richard Smallwood.

The festival is sponsored by the African American Studies Program. The choir is also supported by the Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies and the Multicultural Life Office.

The choir is funded by the Mandatory Student Activity Fee and a grant from the Auxiliary Services Corporation.

For more information, contact Samuel L. Kelley at ext. 4104, by e-mail at kelleys@cortland.edu.
**College to Host Five Maasai Educators**

Five Simba Maasai cultural performers from Kenya, Africa, will share the practices of their community through song, dance, storytelling and lectures during a visit to campus from Monday, Nov. 8-Friday, Nov. 19.

As guests in residence of the Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies, these members of a nomadic, pastoral people living in the Rift Valley of Eastern Africa will meet not only with the college students but with groups of children at school districts in Cortland and Onondaga County, including Blodgett Elementary School in Syracuse, N.Y., the Onondaga Nation School in LaFayette, N.Y.; and schools in Liverpool, Tully, Homer and Cortland.

The Maasai visitors plan to demonstrate a Maasai peace ceremony and discuss peace and conflict resolution; perform Maasai traditional songs, dramatized in an entertaining way; explain the Maasai belief systems, sacrifices and ceremonies; offer storytelling for all ages; discuss family life; explain their community leadership and political structure; and define their belief of the relationship between nature, environment, God and people.

The five educators are founding members of the registered non-governmental organization called Simba Maasai Outreach Organization (SIMOO). The group seeks to improve living standards of the poorest Maasai community members and to celebrate and preserve the most valuable Maasai traditions.

Many of their activities including those on campus will be open to the public.

For more information or a detailed schedule of the presentations, contact the Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies by phone at ext. 5784 or via e-mail at mgs@cortland.edu.

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**COWRC Web Site Offers Online Writing Help**

The College Writing Committee recently premiered the Cortland Online Writing Resource Center (COWRC) as a tool to help writers in the Cortland academic community. The site can be accessed at www.cortland.edu/cowrc/ or from the SUNY Cortland home page by clicking on Faculty/Staff Resources and scrolling down to the Cortland Online Writing Resource Center.

The Web site is designed to offer assistance to a range of writers throughout the writing process.

It is organized into two main branches: one targeting faculty needs and one addressing the needs of student writers. Both branches have links to current information on Writing Intensive courses and Cortland's writing requirements. They also include SUNY Cortland's recently updated and substantially revised policies and procedures regarding academic dishonesty.

A click on the gray “Resources for Faculty” bar will provide the seeker with links containing information on the current Writing Across the Curriculum faculty guide, referral procedures and contacts for the Academic Support and Achievement Program (ASAP), peer tutoring, and supplemental instruction programs for struggling students. College Writing Committee member and event listings are also available at this site, as well as links to academic Web sites supplying resources for the teaching of writing.

There is a link to the Web site of the Faculty Writing Group, an organization for academic writers intending to publish their work, and a detailed page on the prevention and detection of plagiarism, with a link to Cortland's revised policy and disciplinary procedures as they appear in the 2004-2006 College Handbook. This page also contains instructions for the use of Turnitin.com, an Internet plagiarism detection service recently contracted by SUNY Cortland.

Under the “Resources for Students” bar, highlighted in red, students will find deadlines and qualifications for the annual College Writing Contest, along with samples of winning pieces from previous years. The “Writing Help” button connects students to a variety of online writing handbooks, reference books, and tips for writing specific kinds of papers. It also contains contact information for ASAP. Statements from the academic departments regarding the importance of writing in the different majors can be viewed by choosing the “Writing in the Departments” button. The newly revised Academic Integrity Handbook for SUNY Cortland Students appears in its entirety, along with links to the official, updated Cortland policies and procedures found in the 2004-2006 College Handbook.

The COWRC Web site is an integral part of the College Writing Committee’s effort to build a vital academic writing community at SUNY Cortland. It offers organized, user-friendly access to resources pertaining to writing and the teaching of writing.

Faculty and students are encouraged to leave comments or suggestions by clicking the “Feedback” button, which appears at the bottom of the button menu on each page of the site.

For more information, contact Mary Lynch Kennedy, English, at kennedym@cortland.edu.

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**Merle L. Canfield Named Associate Director Of Institutional Research at SUNY Cortland**

Merle L. Canfield, who had been director of the clinical Ph.D. program at the California School of Professional Psychology in Fresno, has been named the associate director of institutional research at SUNY Cortland. He began his new duties on Oct. 19.

Working in the Institutional Research and Assessment Office at SUNY Cortland, Canfield will be responsible for extracting, analyzing and disseminating mainframe data, creating multi-level research based reports, and consulting with key stakeholders to create, analyze and validate surveys.

He had been affiliated with the California School of Psychology since 1988 when he joined the faculty as a professor. He became director of the clinical psychology doctorate program there in May 1997 and was named director of its clinical Ph.D. program three years later.

A native of Mack, Colo., he earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees in psychology from Fort Hays (Kan.) State College and a Ph.D. in social psychology from the University of Kansas.

Canfield served as a psychiatric hospital corpsman while serving in the U.S. Navy. He began his professional career as a clinical psychologist at Larned (Kan.) State Hospital and at the State Home and Training School in Wheat Ridge, Colo.

He served as an assistant administrator and acting director of research at the Jacksonville (Ill.) State Hospital and was director of program evaluation techniques in Stillwater, Okla.

From 1970-81, Canfield worked at the Prairie View mental health center in Newton, Kan., as a program evaluation coordinator and later as director of the Data Processing Department and the Evaluation/Research Department. After earning his doctorate, Canfield was director of the research and evaluation at the River Oaks Hospital in New Orleans, La., and then director of research at Kings View center in Reedley, Calif.

The author of numerous, presentations, reports and publications, Canfield and his wife, Joy, have two daughters, Audrey and Sophia. They reside in Marathon, N.Y.
Regional High School Students Will Attend Leadership Conference Nov. 3

Approximately 150 students from area high schools who are interested in learning more about leadership skills are expected to attend the ninth annual High School Leadership Day on Wednesday, Nov. 3, at SUNY Cortland.

Jointly sponsored by the Center for Educational Exchange and the Campus Activities and Career Services Offices, the event will take place from 9 a.m.-1:45 p.m. in Corey Union.

The conference is designed for students in grades 9-12, school counselors, club advisors, and coaches. New this year is a two-tier program format to address the different needs of both beginning and experienced leaders.

The interactive conference is designed for high school students and their advisors who wish to participate in leadership skills workshops, meet students and advisors from other area schools, and be inspired by leaders from a variety of career backgrounds.

Local public school educators who will participate include: Mark Mondanaro, superintendent, La Fayette Central School; Judi Riley, assistant superintendent for instruction, Cortland City Schools; and Doug Van Etten, 9-10 principal, Cortland High School.

SUNY Cortland faculty and staff who will participate include: Beth Bojarski, recreational sports; Judy Kopf, campus activities; Louie Larson, career services; Chris Maxwell, residential services; Nan Pasquarollo, judicial affairs; and Carol Van Der Karr, advisement and transition.

The program outline for Tier 1 students is titled “You Can’t Lead Others Until You Can Lead Yourself.” Approximately 75 beginning leaders will attend and SUNY Cortland student leaders will be on hand to assist with activities.

Following a welcome from Larson, Tier 1 students will attend workshops throughout the day, including “Seizing the Opportunity,” “Goal Setting,” “Leadership Styles,” “Problem Solving and Decision Making,” and “Bringing it all Together.” Approximately 75 experienced leaders will make up the Tier 2 group, which will be welcomed by Kopf. Their program, titled “Leading Others.”

Tier 2 students will attend workshops titled, “Meeting Management,” “The Art of Delegation,” “Have a Mentor…Be a Mentor,” “Leaving a Legacy,” and “Bringing it all Together.”

Botanist Timothy Baroni Will Discuss Fungi Research in the Neotropics on Nov. 10

Timothy Baroni, biological sciences, will present “Exploring for Biodiversity of Neotropical Macromycetes: A Glimpse into the Adventures of a Mycologist,” at a seminar on Wednesday, Nov. 10.

Hosted by the Biology Club, the seminar will be held at 7 p.m. in Bowers Hall, Room 109.

Baroni’s field research in mycology, the study of fungi, was conducted in exotic places such as the Maya Mountains of Belize. He was the subject of a Sept. 7 feature article in The New York Times. He is part of a team of four mycologists striving to identify as many as possible of the estimated 1.5 million species of fungi on earth. Only five-to-10 percent of the species have been identified, compared to 90 percent of the earth’s flowering plants.

A professor of biological sciences at SUNY Cortland since 1980, he is the recipient of a 1990 SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching. SUNY recognized him again in 2003 as being among that year’s 58 most important and innovative SUNY scholars and scientists. Baroni was honored in 2002 by SUNY Cortland with the Dr. Rozanne Brooks Dedicated Teacher Award.

Baroni has served as president of the Mycological Society of America. A member of the British Mycological Society and the American Institute of Biological Sciences, he is a research associate in mycology at the Buffalo Science Museum. Baroni has written two books on mushrooms. His scholarship on the taxonomy of Agaricales (mushrooms) and Basidiomycetes (most of the other large fleshy fungi) has been published widely, and he has lectured nationally on his specialty. Baroni has raised more than $1 million, mostly through the National Science Foundation, to support his research projects involving travel to many regions in the U.S. as well as Belize, Costa Rica, Austria, Switzerland and Trinidad.

Approximately eight undergraduates have worked with Baroni on independent study and research projects. Many have also co-authored papers with him for publication in scientific journals, attended national meetings of botany professionals, and presented papers on their findings.

A native of Fort Bragg, Calif., Baroni received his bachelor’s and master’s degrees in biology from Humboldt State University. He earned his doctorate in botany from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. He worked as a cryptogamic botanist — a botanist who works with non-seed producing plants — at Harvard University’s Farlow Reference Library and Herbarium.

For more information, contact Larry Klotz, biological sciences, at ext. 2709 or by e-mail at klotz@cortland.edu

Broadway Musical Runs Through Nov. 7

The Performing Arts Department will present “Merrily We Roll Along,” the innovative Broadway musical by composer-lyricist Stephen Sondheim, for three performances in the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre.

Performances are scheduled for 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday night, Nov. 5-6. A Sunday matinee will be held at 2 p.m. on Nov. 7.

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

The SUNY Cortland production of “Merrily We Roll Along” features a cast of 20 students and community members and will use projections and video in depicting the play’s different eras.

The production is directed and choreographed by Kevin Halpin, with musical direction by David Neal, scenic design by Howard Lindh, and lights, sound and video by Joel Pape, all of performing arts. Costumes are by Chuck Ragsdale, guest costume designer from New York City.

For more information about the production, contact Tom Hischak at ext. 4206.

In conjunction with the Nov. 6 performance, a dinner theatre package is being offered by the Center for Educational Exchange (CEE). Thomas Hischak, performing arts, will discuss “Broadway’s Lovable Losers” as part of a discussion, dinner and theatre performance of “Merrily We Roll Along.” The program will run from 5-10 p.m. in the Corey Union Fireplace Lounge and the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre.

Admission to the dinner theatre is $42 per person and includes the discussion, dinner and a prime location ticket to the show. To register, contact the CEE at ext. 4214. All registrations must be made by phone with a credit card.
photographer with the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP), he visited more than 40 countries including North Korea, Iraq, China, Sudan, Rwanda, Angola, Sierra Leone and Kosovo. His images, including three Newsweek cover photos, have been used in major international newspapers and magazines, including: Time, Newsweek, U.S. News and World Report, Fortune, Family Circle, Parade, La Tribuna (Spain), Der Spiegel (Germany), Famiglia Cristiana (Italy), Africa Watch (Kenya), The Times of London (England), The Financial Times (England), Die Zeit (Germany), China Daily (China), and the news agencies of Reuters, Associated Press and Corbis-Sygma.

SUNY Cortland students, faculty and staff will offer their own photographs from around the world in a display also called “A View of the World,” at 5 p.m. on the Old Main Mezzanine. Some of the artists will be available to answer questions about the photographs and about the experiences that the photos represent.

A Global Ambassadors meeting at 6 p.m. in Whitaker Hall Lounge will provide an opportunity to meet students from around the world and learn more about trips off campus with international students, global issues and SUNY Cortland’s study abroad programs.

Catherine Xi, a Cortland international graduate student and Alger Hall resident, will talk about life in her native China at 8:30 p.m. in the Alger Hall Atrium. Traditional food will be served during the presentation, titled, “Can You Really Dig a Hole All the Way to China?”

International Programs Office staff and students will host “Study Abroad Event: Internships and Volunteer Programs Abroad” from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Old Main lobby. Visitors can find out about the many opportunities available for gaining valuable work experience in another country.

Craig Little, sociology/anthropology, and Lisi Kral, economics, will discuss their recent trip to Moscow at noon in the Corey Union Fireplace Lounge. Their sandwich seminar is titled “Reflections on the New Russia: Cortland Faculty in Russia.” They were in Moscow for several weeks to lecture, observe and talk with educators, students and ordinary Russians. Their presentation will convey their impressions of Russia, Russians and Russian academic life. Their work is sponsored by the SUNY International Programs Office and the Cortland Project on Eastern and Central Europe (PECHE).

“Taste of Asia,” a night of culture and cuisine featuring a traditional Chinese dancer, a belly dancer and a traditional Indian dance group, Sitara, begins at 6:30 p.m. in Corey Union Function Room. The event is sponsored and hosted by the Asian Studies Committee. Other sponsors include the Asian Pacific Student Association and the Dean of Arts and Sciences.

Five Simba Maasai cultural performers from Kenya, Africa, will share the practices of their community through song, dance, storytelling and lectures all day on Wednesday, Nov. 17, in the Old Main Brown Auditorium. The program is sponsored by the Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies.

A “Study Abroad Event: Foreign Language Abroad Day” takes place from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Old Main Lobby.

The James M. Clark Center for International Education invitation-only luncheon and dedication runs from 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. in the Corey Union Function Room. The keynote address will be given by SUNY Vice Chancellor Betty Capaldi. She will speak about SUNY and international education.

SUNY Cortland President Emeritus James M. Clark will be on hand as the center is dedicated in his honor. Music will be provided by Stephen Wilson, performing arts, and the College Singers. A reception for current and emeriti faculty, staff and students honoring Clark will follow from 3–4 p.m. in the Corey Union Function Room. Refreshments will be served.

Bob Jalang’o, former Kenyan ambassador to the U.N., will discuss “The Paradox of Africa’s Poverty Amid Vast Natural Resources” from 4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge. Refreshments will be served. Event co-sponsors include TransAfrica, Center for International Education, International Programs, African American Studies, CALS and SUNY Cortland.

Vincent O’Brien, a senior lecturer in public health at St. Martin’s College in Lancaster, England, will talk about his extensive work in the former Soviet-controlled Kyrgyzstan at 7 p.m. in Jacobus Lounge. His talk is titled “Public Health in Post-Soviet Kyrgyzstan.” (See article on page 3). O’Brien will be visiting Cortland’s campus during International Education Week. Individuals who wish to meet with him can contact Lisa Gugerty in the Health Department.

Information on study abroad opportunities for physical education, exercise science, recreation and sports management majors will be offered from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. on Thursday in the Studio West main lobby and from 9 a.m.-noon on Friday in the Park Center main lobby.

A student panel will provide “An International Perspective on the 2004 Presidential Election” at noon in Jacobus Lounge. Presenters at the sandwich seminar include Vanessa Weinert and Char Neal, both recent study abroad students; and Bjorn Zellweger, an international student. The students will share their insights on what the election process was like in other countries and compare them to the U.S. election system.

On Friday, Nov. 19, the Ahn Trio, a classical music ensemble composed of three sisters, will perform at 8 p.m. in Old Main Brown Auditorium. The sisters, cellist Maria, her twin sister pianist Lucia, and younger sister, violinst Angella, are all graduates of The Juilliard School in New York.

Born in Korea, they traveled to the U.S. at the ages of nine and seven. They have been featured in Time, Vogue, MTV and in the GAP ads last spring. The Ahns are attracting young audiences to their concerts, which feature works composed for them by Michael Nyman, Kenji Bunch, Maurice Jarre, Ronn Yedidia and even an adaptation by Michal Rataj of “Riders on the Storm” by the Doors.

Presented by the Campus Artists and Lecture Series, tickets can be purchased in Corey Union, Room 406, or at the door beginning one hour prior to the performance. Seating is general admission. Ticket prices are $2 for SUNY Cortland students, $8 for SUNY Cortland faculty, staff and senior citizens, $5 for other students, and $10 for the general public. For information on the concert, contact the Campus Activities and Corey Union Office at ext. 2322.

On Saturday, Nov. 20, a pre-departure orientation for spring and summer 2005 study abroad students will take place from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. in Corey Union.

For more information about the International Education Week events, contact Lara Atkins of the International Programs Office in Old Main, Room B-15, at ext., 2209 or by e-mail to lara.atkins@ cortland.edu.
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Elizabeth Davis-Russell and Director of International Programs John Ogden. Music will be provided by the College Singers under the direction of Stephen J. Wilson, performing arts.

A reception will be held from 3-4 p.m. in the Corey Union Function Room for emeriti faculty and staff to offer their congratulations to Clark.

“SUNY Cortland was a study abroad pioneer within the State University of New York and James Clark took this institution — and SUNY — to the next level in that area during his administration at Cortland,” said Bitterbaum. “I can think of no more fitting tribute to the James M. Clark legacy on this campus than naming our International Education Center in his honor.”

The Clark Center for International Education will unite the College’s many international initiatives under one umbrella. Current international units include the Center for International Education, Office of International Programs, International Studies, the Project on Eastern and Central Europe and the TransAfrica Project. The Clark Center will also include active representation from the International Communications and Culture Department, the international study coordinators of each academic department and from Whitaker Hall, which houses international students on campus.

A consultant will be hired to help in the structure and creation of the Clark Center for International Education, said Bitterbaum.

A native of Wayne, Mich., Clark graduated from the University of Michigan in 1952 earning a bachelor’s degree with highest distinction in social studies. He earned a master’s degree in political science from the University of the Philippines and a Ph.D. in political science from the University of Michigan. He received the Horace H. Rackham Graduate Fellowship from Michigan for research in France.

Clark, who wrote Teachers and Politics in France, is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, Phi Eta Sigma, Pi Sigma Alpha (political science) and Pi Delta Phi (French) professional honor societies.

In 1960, Clark joined the University of Maine political science faculty and eventually rose to the position of vice president for academic affairs, which he held for 11 years. During 1965-66, he was a Fulbright professor at the Institut d’Études Politiques at the University of Toulouse, France. He also participated on selection committees for Woodrow Wilson Fellowships and NATO Fellowships.

Clark became SUNY Cortland’s eighth president in 1979. His accomplishments include an increased emphasis on academic performance, a re-emphasis on teacher education, affirmative action progress and significant growth in the activities and fund-raising programs of the Cortland College Alumni Association and Cortland College Foundation.

But his true passion was international education. Clark followed his landmark trip to China in 1980 to establish exchange programs with counterpart academic institutions with another trip in 1985, when he headed a Cortland delegation to expand and strengthen them. He stayed in China on a four-month leave to lecture and study Chinese at Beijing Teachers College. Clark later returned to China as an American delegate to the Third Sino-American Conference on Education sponsored by Shanchi Province and the City University of New York. In 1993, he visited universities in Beijing, Shandong and Shanxi Provinces.

In 1982, Clark was part of an American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) delegation that visited Taiwan. He chaired the AASCU Committee on International Programs for two of the five years in which he served.

In 1983, he spent three weeks as an administrative consultant for the U.S. Information Agency (USIA) at the University of Burundi. In 1987, he lectured for the USIA in Tunisia, Greece and Cyprus.

In 1988, he began a four-year stint on the Committee on International Exchange of Scholars, which oversees the Fulbright Program for the USIA.

The University of North London awarded Clark an honorary degree in December 1993 for his “dedication to fostering the study of foreign languages and his involvement in other cultures through both personal and institutional commitments.” In October 1994, Clark received a second honorary degree, this one from Capital Normal University, formerly the Beijing Teachers College.

The Cortland College Alumni Association awarded Clark honorary alumni status in 1994 “for advocating an expanded role for alumni in the life of the institution.”

Clark still resides in the Cortland area with his wife, Patricia, a recipient of the 1994 College Community Appreciation Award for her civic-minded service. They have three children, Pamela, Matthew and Timothy, and seven grandchildren.

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establishes rigorous standards for teacher education programs, holds accredited institutions accountable for meeting these standards, and encourages unaccredited schools to demonstrate the quality of their programs by working for and achieving professional accreditation.

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Wednesday, Nov. 10

Wellness Wednesday Series: “Chat with Chauncey,” Chauncey Bennett, University Police, Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 7 p.m.

Meeting: Education Club, Van Hoesen Hall, Room 134, 7 p.m.

Concert: The College Singers, under the direction of Stephen Wilson, performing arts, Dowd Fine Arts Center, 8 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 11


Friday, Nov. 12

Dedication Ceremony: Dedication of the Victor M. Rumore ’84 Economics Department Computer Lab, Old Main, Room 121, 3 p.m.; Reception to follow in Old Main lobby.
News Briefs

Native American Spirituality Will Be Discussed at Nov. 9 Lecture

Frieda J. Jacques, a peace activist, resident of the Onondaga Nation and for 28 years a nation Turtle Clanmother, will lecture on Tuesday, Nov. 9, at Homer Congregational Church on the green in Homer, N.Y.

The talk, titled “If You Have No Idea Who We Are, How Can You Respect Us?” begins at 7 p.m.

Part of a series on “The Faith Traditions of our Neighbors,” the event is sponsored by the SUNY Cortland Campus Ministry and the Council of Churches. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Jacques has worked with the elderly and with developmentally disabled adults. At present, she is employed by the Onondaga Nation as a Home-School liaison, acting as a bridge between her culture and the educational institutions of Central New York.

For more information, contact Rev. Don Wilcox at 753-1002.

Faculty Art Exhibit to Begin Nov. 9

Dowd Fine Arts Gallery will feature SUNY Cortland studio art faculty from the Art and Art History Department in the 2004 Faculty Biennial exhibition on display Nov. 9-Dec. 18.

The exhibition opens at 3 p.m. on Friday Nov. 12. The reception is free and open to the public.

Included in the exhibition are recent two- and three-dimensional works by Jeremiah Donovan, Lori Ellis, Charles Heasley, Allen Mooney, Carlyne Poore, Minna Resnick, Elizabeth Sharp, Bryan Thomas, Neil Zusman and Stiller Zusman.

Among the media in the eclectic exhibition are wood and bronze sculpture, photographs, ceramics, prints, paintings, digital images, mixed media sculpture and drawings, and an installation.

This program is made possible, in part, by the Mandatory Activity Fee. For more information, contact the Dowd Fine Arts Gallery Director Kim Hubbard, performing arts, at ext. 4603.

Open Auditions Will Be Held for Performing Arts Production

The Performing Arts Department will hold open auditions for its December production of Oscar Wilde’s comedy classic “The Importance of Being Earnest” on Monday, Nov. 1, in the Dowd Fine Arts Center Lab Theatre. There are roles for four women and five men in this “trivial comedy for serious people.”

Those interested can sign up for an audition time outside the Green Room/Lab Theatre.

For more information, contact the director, Kim Hubbard, performing arts, at ext. 4603.

College Store to Accept Orders for Faculty Regalia on Nov. 17-18

Faculty members interested in owning their own regalia can meet with a Jostens representative between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 17 and Thursday, Nov. 18 at the College Store in Neubig Hall.

The Jostens representative will assist with measuring and placing orders. A complimentary garment bag with initials will be available these two days only with the purchase of a full unit. Full payment is required at time of order. Personal checks and credit cards will be accepted. Orders require six to eight weeks for delivery.

SUNY Cortland hosts two convocations and three commencement ceremonies a year in which faculty members wear regalia.

New Office Location Announced

The Graduate Studies and Summer/Winter Programs Office is now located in Miller Building, Room 16. The phone number remains the same, ext. 4800.
Ram Chaturvedi, physics, presented a paper, “C.V. Raman: A Home Grown Genius,” at Heritage and Promise, the 2004 Quadrennial Congress of Sigma Pi Sigma, held Oct. 15-16 at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque. This was the Sigma Pi Sigma kickoff to the 2005 World Year of Physics: Einstein in the 21st Century. It was jointly sponsored by the 4-Comers Section of the American Physical Society, the Southwestern and Arizona Sections of the American Association of Physics Teachers and Zone 16 of Society of Physics Students.

Jeremiah Donovan, art and art history, was invited to participate in the exhibition “The Uncommon Denominator” which opened at the Dyer Arts Center at the Rochester Institute of Technology in September. This exhibition will travel for two years to 15 venues across the U.S. An image of his most recent ceramic work from the West Nile Teapot series was published in the catalog that accompanied this exhibition. He gave a lecture, “Influences of Chinese Ceramics,” at the symposium, which followed the opening of the exhibition.

Ralph Dudgeon, performing arts, appears on a world premier recording of “Dance Mix, 2000” by Rob Smith on “American Masters for the 21st Century,” a five CD anthology of commissioned works from 1972-2002 by the Society for New Music of Syracuse on Innova Recordings, 616-5CD. The boxed set recording is available at www.societyfornewmusic.org, the Society’s Web site. Dudgeon recently performed with the Binghamton Philharmonic in a performance of Janácek’s Sinfonietta, with the Colgate University Orchestra (Stravinsky’s Firebird Suite), and the Catskill Symphony (Shostakovich’s Symphony #5). He will also appear on Nov. 6 with the Utica Symphony in the first concert of their classical series featuring works of Beethoven and Saint-Seans.

Lori Ellis, art and art history, had a solo exhibition of paintings titled “Structure and State of Mind” at the Aegon Gallery of Centre College, Danville, Ky., during the month of October. She delivered a public lecture and also provided critiques and classroom discussion for advanced painting students. Closer to home, Ellis served as juror to a New England Region Small Works Painting Exhibition at the Main Street Gallery in Groton, N.Y. As juror, she will exhibit two works at the show, which opens Nov. 20. In addition, Ellis will exhibit new work at the Dowd Fine Art Gallery’s Biannual Faculty Exhibit. The opening and gallery talk will be held Nov. 12. She will also participate in Cortland’s second annual Artist Studio Tour on Nov. 14.

William Griffin, foundations and social advocacy, spoke at Pennsylvania State University on Oct. 11. He discussed the fundamental changes in moving from hunter-gatherer to agriculturalist to industrialist cultures. He also spoke to college classes on civil disobedience.

Thomas Hischak, performing arts, has been contracted by Rowman and Littlefield to write a college textbook for Introduction to Theatre courses. The text, Theatre as Human Action, will be published under the Scarecrow Press name.

Samuel Kelley, communication studies, has been awarded a fellowship by the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts (VCCA) in Amherst, Va. Kelley will be among approximately 20 fellows focusing on their own creative projects. VCCA is a working retreat for visual artists, writers and composers. It is one of the nation’s largest year-round artists’ communities. It serves more than 300 artists each year. Kelley will be in residence from Nov. 14, 2004 to Jan. 2, 2005. While there, he will be working on a new play.

Joseph Onello, physics, has been informed that his proposal, “A Survey of OH Toward Dark Cloud Core Observed by SWAS,” has been accepted by the Arecibo Observatory in Puerto Rico. In the proposal, co-authored with colleagues from the Arcetri Astrophysical Observatory in Firenze, Italy, Onello proposes to observe the OH hydroxyl radical which is a crucial intermediary in the Oxygen chemical network. Oxygen (O) is the third most abundant element in the interstellar space, and thus O-chemistry is important for a complete understanding of chemical processes in space. Using the 305m (1,000 ft) radio telescope at Arecibo, Onello and his colleagues will observe the 21cm = J = 3/2 F = 1 – 2 (1612 MHz), F = 2 - 2 (1667 MHz) and F = 2 - 1 (1720 MHz) OH lines toward the three dark cloud cores observed by the orbiting Submillimeter Wave Astronomical Observatory (SWAS) and two additional regions: L1544, a pre-stellar core in the Taurus Molecular Cloud, and NGC 1333, an active site in the Perseus cloud complex of low-mass star formation where shock chemistry takes place.

Robert Spitzer, political science, was an invited guest speaker at Colgate University on Oct. 20. His evening presentation was titled, “Bush Versus Kerry: The Election of the Century?”

Carol Van Der Karr, Abby Thomas, and Lori Schlicht, advisement and transition, presented “Bridgework of Campus Culture Strengthening Collaboration Through Symbols, Values and Rituals” at the 2004 National Academic Advising Association Conference in Cincinnati, Ohio. Van Der Karr also presented “You Train Dogs, Not Faculty: Partnerships for Meaningful Faculty Advisor Development.”

Jeffrey J. Walkuski, physical education, was a staff member and presenter at the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD) National Student Leadership Conference held Oct. 14-17 in Jackson Gap, Ala. The conference staff included faculty who serve in leadership roles at the state and national levels in HPERD. The conference brought together more than 100 students from 41 states and Canada including SUNY Cortland’s Amy Horan and Patrick Mandwuelle, physical education, who served as two of the three student representatives from New York State.

Philip Walsh, sociology/anthropology, presented a paper on Oct. 8, at the 52nd Annual Conference of the New York Sociological Association in Oswego, N.Y., titled “Existential Uncertainty and the Sociology of Nation-State Formation.” He also co-presented “Equestrian Warfare Technology and the Development of States in Northern Europe, 500-1500 CE,” on Oct. 14 at the 29th annual European Studies Conference in Omaha, Neb.

Barbara Wisch, art and art history, presented a paper titled “Le sette chiese di Roma (1575): Topographic Impressions, Devotional Strategies” at the Science, Literature, and the Arts in the Medieval and Early Modern World conference sponsored by the Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies (CEMERS). It was held Oct. 23 at Binghamton University. She also chaired the session “Text and Image in Early Modern Italy.” Wisch has been appointed a research associate at CEMERS.

Arden Zipp, chemistry, recently attended several meetings at the International Baccalaureate’s (IB) Curriculum and Assessment Center in Cardiff, Wales. The first of these was a three-day meeting on revising the IB chemistry curriculum while the second was devoted to policies concerning calculator use on IB exams and the third was the annual Chief Examiners’ Conference.
Coming Events

Monday, Nov. 1
Food for Fines Program: “Pay” College library book fines by contributing food items; runs through Monday, Nov. 15.
Auditions: Performing Arts Department’s December production of “The Importance of Being Earnest,” Dowd Fine Arts Center Lab Theatre, pre-registration required.
Movie: “Farenheit 9/11,” presented by Young Democrats, Sperry Center, Room 126, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 2
Election Day
Native American Film Festival: “A Thief of Time,” Sperry Center, Room 209, 7 p.m.
Presentation: Gary English, Director, Statewide Center for Healthy Schools, will present the Healthy STARS (School Teams Achieving Results Successfully) Program, sponsored by the Health Department, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 3
High School Leadership Day: Corey Union, 9 a.m.-1:45 p.m.
Sandwich Seminar: “Education Policy Series: Election Analysis,” Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 12:30 p.m.
Wellness Wednesday Series: “What Men and Women Always Wanted to Know About Each Other, But Were Afraid to Ask,” Stephen Smith, counseling center, Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 4.
$ Conference: 54th annual SUNY Cortland Recreation Conference, Corey Union, registration begins at 7:30 a.m.
Meeting: Teachers Education Council, Park Center Hall of Fame Room, 3 p.m.
Sigma Xi Lecture: “J. Robert Oppenheimer: The Brilliant Charismatic, American Enigma,” by John S. Rigden, Washington University, Sperry Center, Room 126, 7:30 p.m.
$ Concert: Afro-Cuban jazz musician Bobby Sanabria, Old Main Brown Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 5
Vietnam War Film Series: “We Were Soldiers Once...” Sperry Center, Room 126, 4 p.m.
$ Conference: 54th annual SUNY Cortland Recreation Conference, Corey Union, registration begins at 7:30 a.m.

Saturday, Nov. 6
$ Dinner Theatre: “Broadway’s Lovable Losers,” Thomas Hischak, performing arts, discussion in Corey Union Fireplace Lounge, dinner in the Corey Union Caleion Room, and performance at the Dowd Fine Arts Center, 5-10:30 p.m. Advance registration and payment required by contacting Center for Educational Exchange, ext. 4214.
$ Musical: Stephen Sondheim’s “Merrily We Roll Along” performed by the SUNY Masquers, Dowd Fine Arts Theatre, 8 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 7
$ Musical: Stephen Sondheim’s “Merrily We Roll Along” performed by the SUNY Masquers, Dowd Fine Arts Theatre, 2 p.m.
Concert: The African American Gospel Music Festival, Old Main Brown Auditorium, 4-6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 9
Native American Film Festival: “The Doe Boy,” Sperry Center, Room 209, 7 p.m.
Lecture: “If You Have No Idea Who We Are, How Can You Respect Us?” by Frieda J. Jacques, Homer Congregational Church, Homer, N.Y., 7 p.m.
Art Exhibition: SUNY Cortland Faculty Biennial Art Exhibition, through Dec. 19, Dowd Fine Arts Gallery.

Wednesday, Nov. 10
Brooks Museum Lecture Series: “Inventing Jerusalem: The Holy City and the Crusader Kingdom,” Joseph Hoffmann, University at Buffalo, Reception in Brooks Museum, Cornish Hall, Room D-312 at 4 p.m., Presentation in Cornish Hall, Room D-304 at 4:30 p.m.
Lecture: “Exploring for Biodiversity of Neotropical Macrofungi: A Glimpse into the Adventures of a Mycologist,” Timothy Baroni, biological sciences, Bowers Hall, Room 109, 7 p.m.

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