Moffett Center Conference Room Dedication to Honor Professor Emeritus Charles Poskanzer

SUNY Cortland will dedicate the Moffett Center conference room in honor of Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Health Charles N. Poskanzer during a ceremony on Thursday, Dec. 2, at 1:30 p.m. in the Moffett gymnasium.

One of the most senior faculty members in SUNY Cortland history, Poskanzer had served the College for nearly 41 years when he retired in January 1991.

SUNY Cortland President Erik J. Bitterbaum will preside over the festivities.

Also offering remarks will be: Steven Poskanzer, the son of the honoree and current president of SUNY New Paltz; John Allegrante ’74, a Distinguished Cortland Alumnus and a professor of health education at Columbia University Teachers College; Samuel Forcucci, professor emeritus of music; and Joseph Governali, health.

Open to the public, the dedication ceremony will be followed by a formal ribbon cutting and an open house in the conference room where Poskanzer memorabilia will be displayed.

Hayes Hall Re-Opening Ceremony Set

SUNY Cortland will celebrate the official re-opening of Ina M. Hayes Hall, a residence hall on campus, on Monday, Nov. 29, with a ceremony beginning at 3 p.m. at the facility.

President Erik J. Bitterbaum, Vice President for Student Affairs Raymond Franco and Associate Vice President for Facilities Management Nasrin Parvizi are scheduled to speak. Tours of the remodeled facility and a reception will follow.

Built in 1961, the residence hall was dedicated in May 1962 to Ina M. Hayes, who joined the Cortland Normal School faculty in 1917. She taught in the School of Practice, later known as the Campus School, until her retirement in 1953. A graduate of Plattsburgh Normal and Columbia Teachers College, Hayes specialized in methods of teaching arithmetic and gained renown as a master teacher.

The three-storied Hayes Hall was closed in January 2004 to begin the $3.3 million in renovations to its 95 rooms. These included new bathrooms, hallways and lighting, as well as adding kitchens to every floor. Northland Associates of Syracuse, N.Y., completed the renovations on time in August, to allow the fall semester students to occupy the remodeled rooms.

“They did an excellent job,” said Michael Holland, residential services. “With our renovation design, we only lost two rooms to create added space for bathrooms on the first floor.”

SUNY Cortland has now renovated five residence halls in the last eight years. A new residence hall, already under construction between Bishop and Shea Halls, will be completed in August 2005.

In January 2006, renovations will begin on Bishop Hall, added Holland.

For more information on the Hayes Hall ceremony, contact Darshini Roopnarine, residential services, at ext. 4723.
Community Roundtable Will Highlight Issue of Street Gangs in Cortland

A panel of local law enforcement representatives will discuss their experiences with local gangs in the Cortland community during a Community Roundtable on Thursday, Dec. 2.

Titled “Gangs and the Cortland Community,” the roundtable takes place between 8-9 a.m. in 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 Investigator Richard Berry of the New York State Police, Capt. Marty Coolidge of the Cortland County Sheriff’s Office, and Lts. John Gesin and Paul Sandy of the Cortland City Police Department.

Lt. Chauncey Bennett, university police, will moderate the discussion. A question-and-answer period will follow the presentation.

Law enforcement officers are faced with ever-changing trends and issues relating to street gangs. While the concept of gangs dates back to 600 A.D., the new generation of gangs presents a unique challenge and threat to local law enforcement agencies.

The panels will give brief presentations regarding their agencies’ involvement and interaction with gangs in the Cortland community. Panelists will then take questions from the audience.

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

Sitterly to Be Honored for Achievements

Joan Sitterly, SUNY Cortland’s long-time women’s volleyball head coach and current director of athletics, will be honored by the College for her recently completed coaching career on Tuesday, Dec. 7, at halftime of the Cortland-Ithaca women’s basketball game at Corey Gymnasium.

An open reception will take place before, during and after the game, from 5-7 p.m., in the Park Center Hall of Fame Room.

President Erik J. Bitterbaum will be among those honoring Sitterly at the ceremony.

Foreign Language Teachers Conference to Attract Students, Area Teachers and Faculty

The 14th annual “Teachers in Training: A Conference for Future Foreign Language Teachers” will be held Saturday, Dec. 4, in Old Main.

The International Communications and Culture (ICC) Department, in conjunction with the Cortland-Homer-McGrath Teacher Center, the Dryden Teacher Center and the Auxiliary Services Corporation, will host the free event from 8:15 a.m.-1 p.m. Registration is required by contacting the ICC Department at ext. 4303.

The conference theme is “The Successful Foreign Language Classroom.” The keynote speaker will be Terry Caccavale, nationally known for her work in the area of early foreign language education. The SUNY Cortland alumna is presently the French Immersion Coordinator, K-12, in Holliston, Mass., Public Schools.

A half day of workshops conducted by area K-16 teachers of foreign languages (FL) will provide an opportunity for students, area teachers and college faculty to meet and exchange ideas.

Workshop topics include hands-on manipulatives for the classroom; teaching grammar through context; integrating literature in the FL curriculum; surviving the first three years of teaching, fun elementary school activities, and Spanish dances.

All SUNY Cortland AED 323, AED 437, AED 438, AED 439 and early/childhood education students with concentrations in foreign languages are invited to attend.

Holiday Pottery Student Art Sale Expands to Include Marketplace Mall; Set for Nov. 30-Dec. 3

SUNY Cortland’s student art club, the Art Exhibition Association (AEA), and Dowd Fine Arts Gallery, in collaboration with Marketplace Mall, will host the annual Holiday Pottery Student Art Sale from Nov. 30-Dec. 3.

The fundraiser is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Old Main lobby on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1, and in the central lobby of Marketplace Mall, 64 Main Street, Cortland, on Dec. 2 and 3. Proceeds from the event benefit the Art Exhibition Association.

Featured in the sale are porcelain, stoneware and raku pottery by Don Hull of Cortland; David Kingsbury, Turtle Island Pottery, Newfield; Eric Serritella, Muddy Paws Pottery, Newfield; and Russel Spillmann of Homer. Buyers can choose from functional vessels such as bowls, planters, mugs, casserole dishes, plates, vases and teapots, and more ornate pedestal pieces. Current SUNY Cortland students are invited to submit works in all media.

The AEAs mission is to promote the visual arts through programs such as exhibitions, lectures and workshops at the Dowd Fine Arts Gallery. Sponsored by the Student Government Association, AEA offers extracurricular opportunities to engage in the visual arts.

For more information, contact Gallery Director Barbara Racker at ext. 4216 or by e-mail to rackerb@cortland.edu. AEA programs are funded, in part, by Mandatory Student Activity Fees.
2005 Undergraduate Commencement Scheduled for May 14 in Park Center

The Undergraduate Commencement Committee recently announced that the 2005 Undergraduate Commencement ceremonies will take place Saturday, May 14, at 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. in the Park Center Alumini Arena.

Graduating students will receive five guest tickets for the ceremony in which they participate.

The Commencement Committee announced it will continue with the “special person” tradition. Graduates will be asked to designate a special person who has been instrumental in helping them achieve their higher education goals, and that person’s name will be read along with the student’s as the student walks across the stage.

President Bitterbaum implemented the special person tradition last year to make the Commencement ceremony more meaningful for the graduates and the audience. The response from the Class of 2004 was positive and gave reason to continue this tradition.

Students are required to apply for their degree prior to March 31. To do this, students must log on to their SUNY Cortland Banner Web account, as follows:

When brought to the main menu click on the links titled:
- “Academic Services/Registrar”
- “Graduation and Commencement Menu”
- “Degree and Diploma Application”

Students will then be asked a series of questions and guided on how to proceed.

Students with 85 or more credit hours are eligible to apply.

Grad Finale™

In preparation for Commencement, the College Store will hold its third annual Grad Finale™on April 6 from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and on April 7 from 2 p.m.-8 p.m. in the Corey Union Function Room.

Undergraduate and graduate students will be able to take advantage of a variety of services related to graduation, including picking up their caps, gowns and guest tickets, checking their transcripts and ordering class rings and invitations. The College Store will provide more information about the Grad Finale™ in the near future.

After April 7, caps, gowns, and guest tickets, as well as other commencement-related items, will still be available at the College Store.

Information on undergraduate commencement is available on the SUNY Cortland Web site at www.cortland.edu/commencement/.

Commencement updates will be posted in The Bulletin, the Dragon Chronicle, and in the “NonTrad E-Newsletter.” For more information, contact Special Events Coordinator Christine Wallace at ext. 5453 or at undergraduate.commencement@cortland.edu or graduate.commencement@cortland.edu.

All SUNY campuses will announce their speakers during the 2005 spring semester.

Graduate Commencement Information, New Tradition Announced

The Graduate Commencement Committee recently announced that the 2005 Graduate Commencement ceremonies will take place at 7 p.m. on Friday, May 13, in the Park Center Alumni Arena.

At the suggestion of President Erik Bitterbaum, the 2005 Graduate Commencement will feature a new tradition allowing graduates to designate a “special person” who has been instrumental in helping them achieve their higher education goals. That person’s name will be read along with the student’s as the student walks across the stage and is “hooded.”

The tradition will be put in place following the successful implementation of the “special person” designation at last year’s undergraduate ceremony.

Students are required to apply for their degree prior to March 31. In order to do so, students must log on to their SUNY Cortland Banner Web account, as follows:

When brought to the main menu click on the links titled:
- “Academic Services/Registrar”
- “Graduation and Commencement Menu”
- “Degree and Diploma Application”

Students will then be asked a series of questions and guided on how to proceed.

Students with 18 or more credit hours are eligible to apply.

Grad Finale™

In preparation for Commencement, the College Store will hold its third annual Grad Finale™on April 6 from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and on April 7 from 2 p.m.-8 p.m. in the Corey Union Function Room.

Students attending the Grad Finale™will have access to a variety of services related to graduation, including picking up their caps and gowns, checking their transcripts and ordering class rings and announcements.

The College Store will provide additional information in the near future about the Grad Finale™.

After April 7, caps and gowns will still be available at the College Store as well as other commencement-related items.

Additional information and updates on graduate commencement is available on the SUNY Cortland Web site: www.cortland.edu/commencement/gradcom.html.

Commencement updates will be posted in The Bulletin, the Dragon Chronicle, and in the Graduate Studies Newsletter.

Questions can be addressed to Special Events Coordinator Christine Wallace at ext. 5453 or at undergraduate.commencement@cortland.edu or graduate.commencement@cortland.edu.

Specialist on Children With Autism to Speak On Campus Nov. 29

Danielle Craft, a SUNY Cortland graduate who works in a new program that serves young children with autism in an integrated classroom setting, will speak on Monday, Nov. 29 in the Park Center Alumni Arena.

Craft, who works for the Franziska Racker Center in Ithaca, N.Y., will begin her talk at 3:30 p.m. in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge.

Presented by the Psychology Department, the lecture is free and open to the public.

A 1999 graduate who majored in education and concentrated in psychology of the exceptional child, Craft received her master’s degree in special education from Ohio State University. She has worked for several agencies serving children with autism.

She will discuss her work with children who have autism spectrum disorders, her training in special education and her experiences in the field of autism. Her talk will include video examples of teachers helping children with autism to learn.

For more information, contact Paul Luyben, psychology, at 2042, or by e-mail at luybenp@cortland.edu.

Reminder:
The last issue of The Bulletin this semester will be published Monday, Dec. 13. All submissions are due on Tuesday, Dec. 7.
Importance of Being Earnest’ to Be Discussed At Dec. 4 Dinner Event

William Whiting, a retired local educator whose passions are great literature and great food, will discuss Oscar Wilde’s classic play "The Importance of Being Earnest," as part of a dinner and theatre performance of the great playwright Oscar Wilde’s classic play on Saturday, Dec. 4.

Presented by the Center for Educational Exchange, the program runs from 5-10 p.m. in the Corey Union Fireplace Lounge and the Dowd Fine Arts Lab Theatre.

Tickets, which include the discussion, dinner and a prime location ticket to the show, are $42 each. For more information or to register, contact the Center for Educational Exchange at ext. 4214 or at Center for Educational Exchange, Van Hoesen Hall, Room B-232. Registrations made near production time must be made by phone with a credit card.

As a prelude to the performance, Whiting will take a discreet look at the life and works of Oscar Wilde and his role in the theatre, with a longer look at the play of the evening. Expect bon mots each by the dozens, followed by a fin de siècle, meaning end of century, feast.

The Irish-born playwright, novelist, poet and aesthete lived from 1854-1900. Famous for his epigrammatic wit and for his eccentricity in dress and lifestyle, Wilde used his satirical gifts to expose the shallowness and hypocrisy of Victorian society. Written in 1895, “The Importance of Being Earnest” was his comic masterpiece.

When the Performing Arts Department presents the Oscar Wilde comedy classic “The Importance of Being Earnest” on Dec. 2-5, it will include a rare scene that the playwright removed from the script at the request of the original London producers in 1895.

The missing scene was discovered some years ago, but it has rarely been performed in America. Wilde’s witty comedy pokes fun at the upper classes in the last decade of the 19th century as two couples pursue romance amidst fake identities, questionable bloodlines, and comic complications. Steven Cottonaro and Natalie Bain play Jack and Gwendolyn, who wish to wed but must gain the permission of her mother, the formidable Lady Bracknell, played by community actress Barbara Jo Williams.

Meanwhile, Algernon, played by Eric Wolff, woos the country lass Cecily, actress Nicole Scosciia, using an assumed name while her governess, Miss Prism, played by Andrea Shapiro, has a secret that will affect everyone. Also in the cast are Connor Gates as Rev. Chasuble, Kaleb Adams as two suspiciously similar manservants, and Richard Baker as the bill collector Mr. Gribbsy, the character who has been restored to the script with the missing scene.

The SUNY Cortland production of “The Importance of Being Earnest” is directed by Kim Hubbard and designed by Howard Lindh, both in performing arts, with costumes by graduate student Cindy Rice.

Performances are in the Dowd Fine Arts Lab Theatre on Dec. 2, 3 and 4 at 8 p.m. and on Sunday, Dec. 5 at 2 p.m. Tickets are $12 for general public, $10 for SUNY faculty/staff and senior citizens, and $6 for all students. They will be on sale at the door only.

Moffett Dedication to Honor Distinguished Professor Emeritus Charles Poskanzer

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In the 1950s, Poskanzer made significant contributions to the creation of the present-day system of medical health care for the aged. He and Wilbur Cohen, the future Secretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, co-authored a 1960 study that was cited in the establishment of the Medicare and Medicaid programs in the U.S. President Lyndon B. Johnson invited Poskanzer to attend the signing of the Medicare bill into law in 1965 at the Truman Library in Independence, Mo.

In 1963-64, Poskanzer took a leave of absence from SUNY Cortland to help establish the Medical Care Administration branch of the U.S. Public Health Care Service in Washington, D.C.

Poskanzer, who was a consultant to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, was a frequent lecturer on health issues. In 1966, he served as a visiting professor at the London School of Economics, where he studied and researched the British National Health Service.

At SUNY Cortland, the omnipresent Poskanzer served on nearly every standing and ad hoc committee of the Faculty Senate and its predecessor, the Faculty Association. He earned acclaim from faculty and students alike for his role as the Faculty Association chair in 1970 when he brought a peaceful solution to the student unrest and occupation of the Miller Building sparked by the tragic events at Kent State.

Poskanzer chaired the Health Department from 1967-76 and was acting chair in 1987. Over the years, he taught more than 15,000 SUNY Cortland students.

Long active in local politics, Poskanzer served as an alderman and then as mayor of the City of Cortland during the 1970s. He was a longtime member and former president of the Cortland County Board of Health. In 1983, Cortland County awarded Poskanzer the John B. Bennett Award for distinguished service in the advancement of public health. In 1989, the American Public Health Association honored him for 40 years of service to that organization.

The Cortland Rotary Club named Poskanzer, who was its president in 1978-79, an Honorary Paul Harris Fellow.

In 1989, the State University of New York designated Poskanzer a Distinguished Service Professor in recognition of the broad scope of his public service contributions on the local and national levels.

He and his wife, Joan, a former SUNY Cortland College Council member and the 2000 recipient of the SUNY Cortland College-Community Appreciation Award, reside in Cortland. They have four children: Sherry Wainger of Ellicott City, Md.; Steven of New Paltz, N.Y.; Debra of Walton, Ky.; and Barbara of Alexandria, Va.
International Programs is Planning Summer Teacher Institute in Belize

In the wake of last summer’s successful Summer Teacher Institute in Belize, SUNY Cortland is making plans for another program this coming July.

This past summer, the International Programs Office arranged for a group of 10 American teachers, college faculty members and a student to visit Belize for a two-week Summer Teacher Institute in Environmental Studies and Culture.

The summer institute, hosted by the Chaa Creek Nature Preserve from July 24-Aug. 7, offered U.S. educators a unique professional development opportunity to work together with 15 of their educational counterparts in Belize to develop a curriculum guide in environmental studies. The institute involved a variety of hands-on experiences, active participation in field research and ongoing collaboration with individuals in the educational field.

Belize, formerly British Honduras, is a small country in Central America that is politically stable and has English as its first language. About the size of Massachusetts, Belize, with approximately 270,000 citizens, is sparsely populated compared to neighboring countries.

The institute was directed by Rita Rosenberg, who oversees the Field Placement Office. The program focuses on ancient Mayan civilization, archaeology, eco-tourism, conservation and the rain forest. Participants take related excursions and view presentations by local experts in the environmental field and enjoy cultural experiences and events. Though most of the program takes place inland at San Ignacio near the border with Guatemala, the Americans also spent a weekend snorkeling off the coast at Caye Caulker.

The cross-cultural learning institute is the first of its kind at SUNY Cortland, according to Rosenberg and John Ogden, international programs.

“It’s our first bi-national teacher training institute in Belize or any other country,” Ogden said. “Each person attending the institute develops materials to use in their respective classrooms.”

“We worked on this for two years,” Rosenberg said. “There was no framework or guidelines for a teacher institute of this kind. It was developed in collaboration with Nelson Longsworth, who oversees the Ministry of Education in Belize.”

The Belizean teachers earned professional credits while their American counterparts had the opportunity to improve courses they already are teaching.

The American group included five school teachers from New York, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania and Texas; one school administrator from Groton, N.Y.; three SUNY Cortland faculty and staff members; and one undergraduate elementary education major from SUNY Oswego.

Everyone was asked to bring their favorite classroom activity to the institute to share.

“The feedback they received on their activity helped them think of ways to extend or improve their class offering,” Rosenberg said. “Our culminating activity was to work with children from the Succotz Roman Catholic School. The students paired up with a teacher and visited a site with them, for example, the Natural History Museum or the Butterfly Reproduction Center.”

“We hope there will be continued interactions between the Belizean and American teachers,” Ogden added.

“In New York State, the school curriculum really focuses on ecology, Mayan and Aztec archaeology, and studies of the rain forest,” Rosenberg said. “After this institute they have a clear understanding of these concepts. They visited Mayan ruins and other archaeological sites with digital cameras. Many of these sites were recently discovered and are in pristine condition.

Belize also offers a close look at “eco-tourism,” which is tourism that supports the local economy without harming the environment.

Mike Green, director of ecotourism at Chaa Creek, where the program was held, said, “Together, we can make a difference and positively contribute not only to the conservation of Belize’s natural resources, but to the education of the teachers and ultimately the youth of Belize.”

The educators lived in ‘casitas,’ small, screened dwellings on platforms. Participants could watch the nearby Macal River from hammocks on the decks of their casitas.

“The experience of collaborating in the Teacher Institute provided them with a way to share that information back in their classrooms,” Rosenberg said. “It was the perfect venue for an exchange of ideas and information. I feel that this is some of the most important and powerful work that I have accomplished in my 30 years as an educator. It is my hope that we can offer this institute to a different group of teachers in the Cayo District again this summer.”

For information about the 2005 institute, contact the International Programs Office at ext. 2209.
Memorial Service Set for Dec. 3 for Alumnus, Graduate Student O’Neil

A public memorial service will be held on Friday, Dec. 3, for Kristen L. O’Neil, a SUNY Cortland alumna and graduate student who died Oct. 15 in an automobile accident in Orchard Park, N.Y.

The service begins at 7 p.m. in the O’Heron Newman Hall on 8 Calvert St., and will continue with a candlelight procession down Prospect Terrace to Corey Union. Light refreshments will be provided.

“There will be a short slide show and video presentation of Kristin’s life followed by a time for everyone to meet together informally,” said Rev. Donald Wilcox, the Protestant campus minister.

For more information, contact Wilcox at 753-1002.

Classified Staff Will Be Honored Dec. 3 for Service to College

The 35th annual Service Awards Luncheon honoring classified staff for their years of service to the College will be held in the Corey Union Function Room on Friday, Dec. 3. Punch will be served at 11:30 a.m. and lunch will be served at noon.

The recipient of the President’s Award for Excellence in Classified Service will also be announced at the luncheon. All employees are encouraged to attend.

The reservation deadline was Nov. 24.

For more information or questions, contact the Human Resources Office at ext. 2302.

Winter Break Closing Schedules Posted for ASC Dining Operations

The Bookmark
Closing Wednesday, Dec. 15, at midnight.

Caleion Room
Closing Friday, Dec. 3, at 2 p.m.

The Colloquium
Closing Tuesday, Dec. 7, at 1:30 p.m.
Free coffee and toast will be available to students from 8-10 a.m. Dec. 8-10 and Dec. 13-15.

Crossroads Café
Closing Tuesday, Dec. 7, at 1:30 p.m.

Dragon’s Court
Closing Friday, Dec. 17, at 1:30 p.m.
Reopening Monday, Jan. 3, at 7:30 a.m.

Dunkin’ Donuts
Closing Thursday, Dec. 16, at 2 p.m.

Neubig Dining Hall
Closing Wednesday, Dec. 15, at 7:30 p.m.

The Poolside
Closing Tuesday, Dec. 7, at 5 p.m.
Open Saturday, Dec. 11, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Raquette Pizza
Closing Wednesday, Dec. 15, at 11:30 p.m.

All hours subject to change.

UUP Holiday Party and Musical Spoof Scheduled for Dec. 9

The annual musical comedy spoof sponsored by the United University Professions (UUP) will be held from 4-7 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 9, as part of the Holiday Party. Faculty and staff are invited to this free event, which will be held in Corey Union Exhibition Lounge.

Music by “The Four Profs” will begin at 4 p.m. At 5 p.m., recent retirees will be honored.

Beginning at 6 p.m., the musical lampoon titled “UUP Goes to Broadway (Again!),” will be performed. Scripted by Tom Hischak, performing arts, the musical retrospective of 10 years of UUP musical spoofs will feature a cast of SUNY faculty and staff members. They include: Mark Cerosaletti, international communications and culture; Tom Fuchs, physical education; Cindy and Kevin Halpin, performing arts; Yolanda Kime, physics; Robert Spitzer, political science; Jo Schaffer, professor emerita of art and art history; and John Willmer, professor emeritus of geography. Donna Anderson, music emerita, is the pianist and musical director.

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

Scholars’ Day 2005 Participation Forms Due Friday, Dec. 17

Scholars’ Day 2005 Call for Participation and Call for Abstracts forms are now available at the Scholars’ Day Web page at www.cortland.edu/scholars/.

Those interested in participating should submit completed forms by Friday, Dec. 17, to Mark Prus, arts and sciences, by e-mail at prus@ cortland.edu.

Scholars’ Day is scheduled for Wednesday, April 13, 2005. It is a daylong event highlighting faculty, staff and student scholarship and research.

For more information, contact Prus at ext. 4312.

ASC Exam Support

Auxiliary Services Corporation (ASC) is offering students free, light refreshments before final exams from Dec. 8-15 as follows:

Colloquium
Free coffee and toast will be available from 8-10 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 8-10 and Monday, Dec. 13-Wednesday, Dec. 15.

Neubig Dining Hall
Free soup, coffee and cookies will be available as follows:
Wednesday, Dec. 8—
Thursday, Dec. 9 ............ 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 10 .............. 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 13—
Wednesday, Dec. 15 ........ 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m.

Neubig Dining Hall will be open extended hours and brunch will be available at a special price of 4.00 points on the following days:
Saturday, Dec. 11 ................ 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 12 regular hours .10 a.m.-4 p.m.

The following services will have extended hours on Saturday, Dec. 11:
Dragon’s Den will be open from 7 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Dunkin’ Donuts will open at 7 a.m.
Poolside will be open from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

For more information, contact ASC at ext. 4627.
Faculty-Staff Activities

Van A. Burd, distinguished professor emeritus of English, recently returned from a week in Venice, Italy, and another in England, where he lectured on “John Ruskin in Venice, Christmas, 1876,” before the Friends of Brantwood, Coniston. His talk was accompanied by slides of Venice.

Several members of the SUNY Cortland staff recently made presentations at the Central New York Council for the Social Studies Conference. President Erik J. Bitterbaum discussed the question, “What Does It Take to Be a School of Excellence.” Randi Storch, history, presented “What We Recently Learned About the Communists,” and Luo Xu, history, talked about “Asia and the Rise of the West.” Roger Sipher, history emeritus, was the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award. He is only the third person to receive the award. Sipher has served on the Professional Development Committee of the Council for many years. Approximately 250 social studies teachers from New York State attended the conference.

Peter Ducey, biological sciences, and Cortland undergraduate Lori-Jeanne West presented “Studies of the Populations of Amphibians and Reptiles Within the Onondaga Lake Ecosystem,” at the recent Onondaga Lake Scientific Forum held in Syracuse, N.Y. The presentation summarized a decade of field research conducted by Ducey and his students. They initially analyzed the decimated vertebrate populations in the highly polluted Onondaga Lake and its associated wetlands and later documented changes associated with limited habitat rehabilitation efforts.

David Franke, English and professional writing, recently had his paper proposal “Genre and Parody” accepted by the International Professional Communication Society Conference 2005 in Limerick, Ireland. The paper links technical writing, scholarship on “genre theory” and creative writing.

Mary Lynch Kennedy, English, presented a paper titled “What’s Genre Got to Do with It?” at the New York State English Council Conference (NYSEC), held in Albany, Oct. 20-22. At the conference, Judith Hawkins, graduate student in the English Department and teacher at Owove Free Academy, was awarded the 2004 Natalie Robisch Scholarship, and Nancy Dafoe, who received her M.A.T. in English from Cortland, received an Educator of Excellence Award. Dafoe is the Chair of the English Department at East Syracuse-Minoa High School.

Emmanuel Nelson, English, is the editor of the recently published reference volume titled African American Dramatists. He and English Department members Joel Shatzyk and Christine Lemchak each contributed a chapter to the volume.

Robert Ponterio and Jean LeLoup, international communications and culture, presented a session titled “Teaching Culture: The ‘Why’ Behind Fiestas, Fêtes, and Fests,” at the annual meeting of the New York State Association of Foreign Language Teachers (NYSALFT), held Oct. 30 in Rochester, N.Y. The presentation addressed the culture goal area of the national foreign language standards and, in particular, dealt with identification of the perspective underlying any cultural product — artifact, or practice — behavior, and the use of authentic materials as the basis of lessons for the foreign language classroom.

Robert Spitzer, political science, is the author of an article titled, “Seven Modest Tips on Book Publishing,” that has been accepted for publication in a future issue of PS: Political Science & Politics, the professional publication of the American Political Science Association. The article is based on a presentation given by Spitzer at a panel on book publishing held this past fall at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Michael Toglia, psychology, has been informed by the American Psychological Association (APA) that his nomination and subsequent application was approved to elevate him to the status of Fellow in Division 3 (Experimental Psychology) of APA. This award is primarily based on significant scholarly accomplishments that represent “...evidence of unusual and outstanding contributions or performances that have had a national or international impact in the field of psychology.” Toglia was similarly recognized in 1998 when he was selected as a Fellow in Division 41 (Psychology and the Law) of APA.

Arden Zipp, chemistry, recently presented a four-day workshop for a dozen advanced placement (AP) chemistry teachers at St. Johnsbury Academy in St. Johnsbury, Vt. The purpose of the workshop was to acquaint the teachers with the expectations of the AP chemistry program for student laboratory work. He was assisted by a retired AP teacher from the Academy.

Capital Letters Denote Home Games

Tuesday, Nov. 30
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Oneonta, 6 p.m.
MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Oneonta, 8 p.m.
Men's Ice Hockey at Elmira, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 1
WRESTLING vs. Brockport, 7 p.m.
Women's Basketball at Nazareth, 7 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 3
Women's Basketball at SUNYIT, 6 p.m.
Men's/Women's Swimming and Diving at Brockport, 6 p.m.
Men's Ice Hockey at Buffalo St., 7 p.m.
Women's Ice Hockey at Wesleyan ( Ct.), 7 p.m.
Men's Basketball at SUNYIT, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 4
MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Alfred, 7 p.m.
Wrestling at RIT Invitational, 9 a.m.
Men's/Women's Indoor Track and Field at Cornell Relays, 10 a.m.
Men's Ice Hockey at Fredonia, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 7
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Ithaca, 6 p.m.
WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY vs. RIT, 7 p.m.
MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Ithaca, 8 p.m.
Coming Events

Monday, Nov. 29
Lecture: "Working with Children with Autism," by Danielle Craft, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 3:30-5 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 30
Pottery/Student Art Sale: Old Main lobby, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Concert: The Choral Union, conducted by Stephen Wilson, performing arts, Dowd Fine Arts Center, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 1
Pottery/Student Art Sale: Old Main lobby, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sandwich Seminar: “A Walk on the Wilde Side: Oscar Wilde in Caricature,” Robert Rhodes, professor emeritus of Anglo-Irish Literature, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 12:30 p.m.

College-Community Forum: Park Center Hall of Fame Room, 7 p.m.
Movie: “All The President’s Men,” sponsored by the Cinema Club, Sperry Center, Room 114, 7 p.m.
Meeting: Education Club, Van Hoesen Hall, Room 194, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 2
Community Roundtable: “Gangs and the Cortland Community” panel discussion; Park Center Hall of Fame Room, 7:45-9 a.m.
Pottery/Student Art Sale: Marketplace Mall lobby, 64 Main St., Cortland, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Room Dedication: Moffett Center conference room in honor of Professor Emeritus of Health Charles N. Poskanzer, Moffett Center Gymnasium, 1:30 p.m.
Meeting: Teacher Education Council, Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 3 p.m.
$ Play: Oscar Wilde’s “The Importance of Being Earnest,” SUNY Masquers, Dowd Fine Arts Lab Theatre, 8 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 3
Pottery/Student Art Sale: Marketplace Mall lobby, 64 Main St., Cortland, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
$ Service Awards Luncheon: Corey Union Function Room, 11:30 a.m.

Saturday, Dec. 4
Conference: “Teachers in Training: A Conference for Future Foreign Language Teachers,” Old Main, 8:15 a.m.-1 p.m.
$ Dinner Theatre and Discussion: “Cucumber Sandwiches and Buttered Muffins,” on Oscar Wilde’s “The Importance of Being Earnest.” Talk is in Corey Union Fireplace Lounge, dinner is in Corey Union Caleion Room, and the performance is at Dowd Fine Arts Lab Theatre, 5-10:30 p.m. Registration deadline is Monday, Nov. 29.
$ Play: Oscar Wilde’s “The Importance of Being Earnest,” Dowd Fine Arts Lab Theatre, 8 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 5
$ Play: Oscar Wilde’s “The Importance of Being Earnest,” Dowd Fine Arts Lab Theatre, 2 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 7
Last day of classes
Meeting: Faculty Senate, Corey Union Fireplace Lounge, 1:10 p.m.
Holiday Concert: Dowd Fine Arts Center, 8 p.m.
Coffeehouse: Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 8
Bloodmobile: Corey Union Fireplace and Exhibition Lounges, 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 9
UUP Holiday Party: Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 4-7 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 12
$ Theatre: Nutcracker Ballet, Dowd Fine Arts Center, 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.