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State University of New York College at Cortland

ASC, Cortland Rural Cemetery Proceeding With Plans For New Campus Parking Lot

Auxiliary Services Corporation (ASC) and the Cortland Rural Cemetery (CRC) have reached an agreement that will allow construction of a much-needed SUNY Cortland faculty, staff and student parking lot on an acre of cemetery-owned property along Neubig Road.

Located between the Taylor Leadership House and Neubig Hall, the site would accommodate approximately 120 spaces. The land is currently vacant and is projected to remain so for at least the next 50 years.

The agreement, which was signed in June 2005, allows ASC to lease the parcel of land from the CRC for a term of 30 years. The property would be decommissioned at the end of the lease term and restored to its original state.

"Both organizations put a great deal of time, effort and creativity into the negotiations and the resulting agreement

creates a 'win-win' partnership," said Vice President for Student Affairs Raymond Franco, the ASC Board of Directors president.

In early 2003, ASC initiated negotiations with the CRC, whose primary concern was for its lot owners.

"Great care has been given in the planning of this parking lot project to ensure that the pastoral ambiance of the cemetery is preserved," said James Place, president of the CRC Board.

"After a lot of discussion, cemetery management and our trustees agreed that this proposal will provide significant benefits to the cemetery and our lot owners," added Andrew Palm, superintendent of the CRC.

"Income from the lease agreement will benefit the cemetery in two ways," explained Place. "First, the cemetery will receive payments to supplement its

operating budget, allowing the CRC to remain an independent organization not supported by tax dollars. Secondly, a dedicated payment will be made directly to the cemetery's permanent maintenance fund. The interest from this fund helps pay for the upkeep of the cemetery's buildings and grounds."

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College Creates Two Academic Departments

SUNY Cortland will create two new academic departments, Sport Management and African American Studies, while the human service studies major will move from the Sociology/Anthropology Department to the Health Department, reported President Erik J. Bitterbaum at the Nov. 29 Faculty Senate meeting in Corey Union.

Bitterbaum said the proposed changes had been discussed and endorsed by the President's Cabinet and President's Council. Elizabeth Davis-Russell, provost and vice president for academic affairs, will be meeting with the appropriate administrators and chairs to hopefully enact the changes for the Spring 2006 semester, added the president.

One of the larger majors on campus with its 365 students, sport management has been part of the Exercise Science and Sport Studies Department since its inception. The new department will remain in its Studio West location.

While SUNY Cortland had a Black Studies Department from 1971-75, the African American Studies major, as it became known in 1990, has been offered on campus for more than three decades. Currently, there are 20 students pursuing a major and another 28 seeking a minor in African American Studies.

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Recreation and Leisure Studies Program Receives Five-Year Reaccreditation

The Recreation and Leisure Studies Department has received a five-year reaccreditation from the national organization that governs the fields of recreation, park resources and leisure services.

The department's four undergraduate concentrations were accredited at a recent meeting of the National Recreation and Park Association/American Association for Leisure and Recreation (NRPA/ AALR) Council on Accreditation in San Antonio, Texas. The bachelor's degree options are: management of leisure services, leisure/recreation program delivery, therapeutic recreation and outdoor recreation management and education.

In a letter to SUNY Cortland President Erik J. Bitterbaum, the council commended the College for its portfolio-

based advisement process, assessment plans, academic advising and the annual Cortland Recreation Conference. The council's accreditation continues through October 2010.

SUNY Cortland is one of three colleges in New York with accredited recreation and leisure studies departments. The other two programs are at SUNY Brockport and Ithaca College. Among the three colleges, SUNY Cortland is the only one with four accredited concentrations.

"What it means is we've been able to meet our standards in all four of our fields," said Lynn S. Anderson, recreation and leisure studies. Anderson added there are only three other programs nationwide that have four accredited concentrations: University of Florida,

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Relay for Life Raises Nearly \$37,000 for Cancer Society

With 700 students, faculty and staff walking for 12 hours in the Lusk Field House, SUNY Cortland's first Relay for Life raised nearly \$37,000 for cancer research, education and services.

Organizers are already planning next year's event as SUNY Cortland has joined more than 250 colleges nationwide to hold fundraisers, complete with bands and other entertainment, to support the American Cancer Society.

"I think that next year will be even bigger now that the word is out," said Jodi Lake, a senior health science major from Adams Center, N.Y., who co-chaired the event. "It's all for such a good cause. Who wouldn't want to go to a party?"

The relay, held on Nov. 18-19, followed similar fundraisers organized last spring at Cornell University, Ithaca College and Tompkins Cortland

Community College. Elmira College will hold its first relay in January.

"I think a lot of the college kids know someone who's affected by cancer," said Hiliary Humble, director of special events for the American Cancer Society's office in Endicott. "They find it very rewarding that they can get involved in something like this at such a young age."

The relay draws teams who must have at least one member walking along a track for 12 hours. The event at Lusk Field House began at 8 p.m. Friday and ended 8 a.m. Saturday, with 56 teams participating.

The SUNY Cortland women's softball team was the top fundraiser, collecting \$2,305 in pledges. Christine Devine, a junior physical education major from East Greenbush, N.Y., raised \$800 and was the top individual fundraiser in the relay.

Devine said she was motivated by her mother's struggle with breast cancer and contacted friends and family members to donate money. "I wanted to raise as much money as I could," said Devine, who is also a member of the softball team.

SUNY Cortland's relay was the brainchild of Alicia Grisel, a junior health science major from Binghamton, N.Y. Last April, Grisel walked in

SUNY Binghamton's relay and decided that she wanted to bring the event to SUNY Cortland.

"It was just something that brought the campus together," Grisel said. "I saw how excited everyone was. That was something I hadn't seen here."

With the help of Cathy Smith, health promotion, Grisel agreed to chair the event and a planning committee was formed with about 15 students, faculty and staff. The group organized the event in just two months, after classes began this fall. Smith said the event was "entirely student driven."

Student committees planned entertainment throughout the relay, including plastic alligator wrestling, a toilet paper fashion show, band performances and a Miss Relay '06 contest.

"It's one of those things where you just realize what college students can do when they put their heads together and do something so wonderful for the community," Smith said.

Community groups in Cortland have held an annual relay for the American Cancer Society in the summer for the past several years. Grisel said she hopes to start a campus club that will begin organizing the fall campus relay during the spring semester.

For more information, contact Cathy Smith at ext. 2066.

Spring 2006 Bulletin Schedule

	<i>Issue Date</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
#9	Monday, Jan. 23	Tuesday, Jan. 17
#10	Monday, Feb. 6	Tuesday, Jan. 31
#11	Monday, Feb. 20	Tuesday, Feb. 14
#12	Monday, March 6	Tuesday, Feb. 28
#13	Monday, March 20	Tuesday, March 14
#14	Monday, April 3	Tuesday, March 28
#15	Monday, April 17	Tuesday, April 11
#16	Monday, May 1	Tuesday, April 25
#17	Monday, May 15	Tuesday, May 9

The Bulletin

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Information for *The Bulletin* should be sent to Wendy Brooks, editor, Publications and Electronic Media Office, Studio West, Room B-18, P.O. Box 2000, Cortland, NY 13045.

The Bulletin will next be published Monday, Jan. 23, 2006. The deadline for copy for that issue is 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 17. All articles must be typewritten. Articles of more than 50 words should be submitted in Microsoft Word format by e-mail to bulletin@cortland.edu.

College Assessment Incentive Grant Program Applications Due by Dec. 22

The College Assessment Committee is inviting proposals from academic departments, interdisciplinary programs, support and service unit offices and administrative offices for the College Assessment Incentive Grant Program.

Applications will be due by noon on Thursday, Dec. 22. They should be sent to Virginia Levine in the President's Office, Miller Building, Room 408.

Proposals should describe an activity or set of activities that would allow the unit, department or program to advance its existing assessment plan, or, if a new unit, to create a plan, prepare for program review, or assist support and service units in developing a new five-year plan.

These activities will need to be carried out during the Spring 2006 semester with a final report explaining the project activities, grant expenditures and how the objectives were met, due on June 15, 2006.

There will be two tiers of awards: Tier I awards a maximum of \$1,000 per grant; Tier II

allows for one larger award in the \$1,100-\$2,000 range.

Specific information and application forms will be distributed via e-mail in early December. Those not receiving the information can request it by contacting Joy Hendrick, exercise science and sport studies, at hendrick@cortland.edu.

Questions can also be directed to any member of the College Assessment Committee, including: David Barclay, geology; Michael Berzonsky, psychology; Victoria Boynton, English; Ed Caffarella, education; Mariangela Chandler, Academic Support and Achievement Program; Elizabeth Davis-Russell, academic affairs; Gary Evans, human resources; Joy Hendrick, exercise science and sport studies; Ingrid Jordak, publications and electronic media; Roy H. Olsson Jr. professional studies; Mark Prus, arts and sciences; Shawn Van Etten, institutional research and assessment; and Gail Wood, library.



2006 Commencement and Grad Finale™ Dates Announced

The Undergraduate Commencement Committee recently announced that the 2006 Undergraduate Commencement ceremonies will take place at 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 20, in the Park Center Alumni Arena. Graduating students will select the ceremony in which they participate. Five guest tickets will be available for each student.

The 2006 Graduate Commencement ceremony will take place at 7 p.m. on Friday, May 19, in the Alumni Arena.

The 2006 Commencement ceremonies will continue with the "special person" tradition. Specifically, all graduates will be asked to designate an individual 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.

To participate in the ceremonies, students are required to apply for their degree prior to March 31. To apply, students must log on to their SUNY Cortland Banner Web account.

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 throughout the application process. Students with 85 earned credit hours

CALS Applications Available; Due Jan. 30

Campus Artist and Lecture Series (CALS) lecture grant applications for the Spring 2006 semester are available at the Campus Activities and Corey Union Office, Corey Union, Room 406.

The application deadline is Monday, Jan. 30, for programs being held between January and May. Applications received after this date may be eligible for any remaining available spring semester funds.

For more information or to request a grant application packet, contact the Campus Activities and Corey Union Office at ext. 2321.

or more are eligible to apply. Students who will be completing their degree in August or December 2006 and who wish to participate in a Commencement ceremony will need to apply by March 31 as well.

In preparing for Commencement, the College Store will hold its fourth annual Grad Finale™ from 9 a.m.-7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 18, in the Corey Union Function Room. Students attending Grad Finale will have the opportunity to purchase or order items related to Commencement, including caps, gowns, diploma covers, class rings, invitations and diploma frames. In addition, representatives from various campus offices, including graduate studies, student accounts, career services, alumni affairs, Cortland College Foundation and financial aid, will be available for questions and information.

This event is the first opportunity for undergraduate students to select their Commencement ceremony and pick up their guest tickets. The

College Store will provide more information in the future about Grad Finale, which is open to both undergraduate and graduate students. After April 18, commencement-related items will be available at the College Store.

Beginning in January, detailed information regarding undergraduate and graduate commencement will be available online at www.cortland.edu/commencement.

Students should check *The Bulletin*, the *Dragon Chronicle* and the "NonTrad E-Newsletter" for frequent updates on Commencement.

Questions should be directed to Darci Contri, special events coordinator, at ext. 5453 or undergraduate.commcement@cortland.edu or graduate.commcement@cortland.edu.

The Commencement Committee will provide additional information over the course of the academic year to relay Commencement updates. All SUNY campuses will announce their speakers during the 2006 spring semester.

Michael Paul Named Phi Kappa Phi Scholar

Michael Paul of Lakeville, N.Y., a senior sport management major, has been named the College's Phi Kappa Phi Scholar of the month for November.

Phi Kappa Phi is a national honor society that recognizes academic excellence in the fields of higher education. The monthly awards are based on leadership and volunteer involvement as well as academic accomplishment.

Paul, who will graduate in December, has spent this semester in Belize on an internship with the National Sports Council. He is the first sport management major to participate in the Belize program, and he said the experience has changed his outlook on life.

The internship "has really made me realize that one person can make a world of difference

in a young child's life," Paul said. "I hope I can pass my new-found knowledge on to others and influence them to partake in similar journeys towards bettering people's lives."

Paul has maintained a 3.73 grade point average and has made both the Dean's List and the President's List. A member of the Tau Sigma Honor Society for transfer students, he also won a Kevin A. Rowell '83 Study Abroad Scholarship.

At SUNY Cortland, Paul has been active in several sports, including varsity soccer, rock climbing, ice skating and sled hockey. He is also a member of the Sport Management Club.

After graduation, Paul hopes to design sports programs for underprivileged children, or work in environmental protection or restaurant management.

College-Community Forum Planned for Dec. 6

SUNY Cortland, Tompkins Cortland Community College and City of Cortland officials will hold their semi-annual College-Community Forum on Tuesday evening, Dec. 6, at the Blue Frog Café located at the corner of Court and Main Streets in downtown Cortland.

Free and open to the public, the forum begins at 7 p.m. and will conclude by 8:30 p.m.

College and community representatives will answer any questions from the general public about college-community relations.

In addition, Head Coach Christian Latulippe will offer a progress report on the USA Women's Team Handball National Squad's upcoming season and how team members are faring in the Cortland community.

Also, Kevin Halpin, performing arts, will talk about the schedule of 2005-06 SUNY Cortland theatrical productions and how the community can fully participate in the cultural offerings made available by the musical theatre faculty and majors.

For more information, contact Raymond Franco, student affairs, at ext. 4721.

Auditions Planned for 'Vagina Monologues'

The student organization Planet of Women for Equality and Respect (POWER) is holding auditions on Monday, Dec. 5, for women who wish to perform in the cast of its production in March of "The Vagina Monologues."

Auditions for the play, written by Obie Award-winning playwright Eve Ensler, will take place from 3-6 p.m. and 7-11 p.m. in the Corey Union Function Room.

"The Vagina Monologues" is a celebration of female sexuality in all its complexity and mystery, according to the author's Web site. Ensler's play gives real women's stories of intimacy, vulnerability and sexual self-discovery.

Participants need not prepare in advance and the directors will provide reading pieces. All are welcome to help with the actual production of the show as volunteer crew members. However, only women can read monologues in the play.

The play will be performed at SUNY Cortland at 7 p.m. on March 3 and 4 and at 2 p.m. on March 5 in the Function Room. The event is open to the public. Ticket prices will be announced at a later date.

For more information, contact katielo26@aol.com or attend POWER's weekly meetings at 7 p.m. Tuesdays in Corey Union, Rooms 304-305. The Mandatory Student Activity Fee supports the event.

Based on interviews with more than 200 women about their memories and experiences of sexuality, "The Vagina Monologues" gives voice to women's deepest fantasies and fears, guaranteeing that no one who reads it will ever look at a woman's body, or think of sex, in quite the same way again. It is witty and irreverent, compassionate and wise. Celebrated as the bible for a new generation of women, "The Vagina Monologues" has been performed in cities all across America and at hundreds of college campuses and translated into 24 different languages. It has inspired a dynamic grassroots movement — V-Day — to stop violence against women.

Ensler, of New York City, is the author of two books released in 2001, *The Vagina Monologues: The V-Day Edition*, and *Necessary Targets: A Story of Women and War*. The recipient of a 1999 Guggenheim Fellowship in Playwriting, her other plays include "Her Lemonade," "The Depot," "Floating Rhoda and the Glue Man," "Extraordinary Measures," "Ladies" and "Scooncat."

Neil Simon Comedy Classic 'Odd Couple' Will Be Performed on Campus Dec. 8-11

The comedy favorite "The Odd Couple" by Neil Simon will return to Cortland when the Performing Arts Department presents the female version of the play Dec. 8-11 in the Dowd Fine Arts Center's Lab Theatre.

The story about two mismatched divorced men trying to live in the same apartment opened in 1965 and ran three years on Broadway. It was later made into a movie and then a popular television show that ran from 1970-75.

In 1985 Simon wrote a female version of the play, now about two incompatible divorcees, and it was also very successful. The original male version of "The Odd Couple" is currently one of the most popular shows on Broadway, starring Nathan Lane and Matthew Broderick as the two unlikely housemates.

Dinner Theatre Program to Feature Neil Simon

Felix Unger and Oscar Madison become Florence Unger and Olive Madison in the female version of the well-known Neil Simon play, "The Odd Couple," that will be featured in a dinner theater program from 5-10:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10.

Before the play, Bill Whiting, a retired educator and director, will take a look at the life and work of Simon in a talk titled "The Patron Saint of Laughter." Whiting will illustrate his lecture in the Corey Union Fireplace lounge with video clips from Simon's prolific career as a playwright.

The lecture will be followed by a Simon-themed dinner in the Corey Union Caleion Room. Participants will then be directed to prime location seats for the 8 p.m. performance of SUNY Cortland's production of "The Odd Couple," in the Lab Theatre at the Dowd Fine Arts Center.

Tickets are \$45 and include the talk, dinner and a reserved seat at the performance. Reservations will be accepted through Tuesday, Dec. 6. For tickets or more information, call the Center for Educational Exchange at ext. 4214.

Simon, a Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright, wrote the original version of "The Odd Couple" in 1965. Simon revised the play in 1985 for a female cast, using the same story line and character sketch as in the original script.

The SUNY Cortland production of "The Odd Couple" is directed by Kim Hubbard, performing arts, and features Natalie Bain as the neat Florence Unger and Jennifer Vadella as the sloppy Olive Madison. Their Trivial Pursuit-playing friends are portrayed by Anita Pena, Jennifer Fritsche, Liz Appleton and Laura D'Andrea. The two Spanish neighbors are played by Eric Wolff and Joshua Williams.

Performances are at 8 p.m. on Dec. 8, 9 and 10 with a 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday, Dec. 11. Tickets are \$12 for the general public, \$10 for senior citizens and SUNY faculty/staff, and \$6 for all students. Tickets are on sale at the door only.

A dinner theatre program on Dec. 10 is detailed in the article below.

For more information, contact Tom Hischak, performing arts, at ext. 4206.

Born in New York City in 1927, Simon is the most performed playwright, except for Shakespeare, of all time. He began his career as a television comedy writer and later authored more than 40 Broadway plays, including comedies such as "Barefoot in the Park," and darker autobiographical works such as "Brighton Beach Memoirs."

The College's production of "The Odd Couple" is directed by Kim Hubbard, performing arts.

Annual Holiday Concert Announced

The Performing Arts Department will present its annual holiday concert at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 13, in the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre. The event is free and open to the public.

The popular favorite will include performances from various vocal and instrumental music ensembles. As is the tradition, the program will end with a seasonal carol sing-along.

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



Summer Teacher Institute in Belize Scheduled for July 8-17, 2006

For 10 days last summer, Sue Barker, a teacher from Lansing, N.Y., was in Belize touring Mayan ruins, scouring a rainforest for medicinal plants, sampling fresh pineapple on a farm and canoeing along the pristine Macal River.

Barker was one of nine educators who participated in SUNY Cortland's Summer Teacher Institute in Environmental Studies and Culture in Belize. The program, now gearing up for its third year with a trip next July 8-17, brings together American and Belizean teachers to learn pedagogical techniques on a 330-acre nature reserve.

After returning to the classroom this fall, Barker immediately incorporated what she learned at the institute to teach a unit on Belize to fourth-graders and to start a pen-pal program with students from the Central American country.

"It's just been a wonderful springboard for me," said Barker, who teaches English as a second language. "I learned so much that can really apply to all grades."

The International Programs Office is accepting applications for next summer's teacher institute until March 15. Up to 10 educators, including teachers, faculty members and college and graduate students, can participate in the program and earn three credits of graduate course work.

"It's an outstanding professional development opportunity that focuses on collaboration and just working side-by-side with people from different backgrounds, different experiences and different cultures," said Rita Rosenberg, field placement.

The cross-cultural learning institute is the only program offered at SUNY Cortland that allows educators to work with their professional counterparts from another country, Rosenberg said. The two groups of teachers spend the 10 days developing lesson plans on ancient and contemporary Mayan civilization, archaeology, conservation, tourism and the rainforest.

Hands-on learning is a key focus as participants take excursions to Mayan ruins, a Blue Morpho butterfly farm, medicinal trails in the rainforest and local schools. The culminating event of last summer's institute was a visit to the village of Cristo Rey, where the educators met with the elementary school principal and the village council and saw a performance of traditional Mestizo dancing.

"It's a great example of a short-term cross cultural learning experience for teachers," said Marley Barduhn, international programs. "They can take these lessons back into the classroom. It's very practically oriented."

Belize, formerly known as British Honduras, was selected as the site of the institute because of a partnership SUNY Cortland already had established with the University of Belize, which placed students in semester-long internships.

"I think Belize is the perfect venue because English is the national language," Rosenberg said. "It's a politically safe country and I think the people of Belize are very welcoming and genuinely like having visitors from other countries."

Last summer's institute attracted seven teachers from New York state, one from Oregon and one faculty member from SUNY Cortland. Ten Belizean teachers attended the institute and received professional development credit for participating.

For more information on the teaching institute, contact the International Programs Office at ext. 2209.



Library Hours

Extended Late Night Hours Through Dec. 15

	Entire Library	Late Night Reading Room
Monday-Thursday	7:45 a.m.-3 a.m.	
Friday	7:45 a.m.-6 p.m.	6 p.m.-midnight
Saturday	11 a.m.-6 p.m.	6 p.m.-midnight
Sunday	10 a.m.-3 a.m.	

Extended Late Night Hours for Finals Week

	Entire Library
Friday, Dec. 16	7:30 a.m.-3 a.m.
Saturday, Dec. 17- Sunday, Dec. 18	8 a.m.-3 a.m.
Monday, Dec. 19- Wednesday, Dec. 21	7:30 a.m.-3 a.m.
Thursday, Dec. 22	7:30 a.m.-7 p.m.

Intersession Hours Through Jan. 3

Friday, Dec. 23 - Monday, Jan. 2	Closed
Tuesday, Jan. 3	8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Winter Session Hours Jan. 4-18

Wednesday, Jan. 4- Friday, Jan. 6	7:45 a.m.-4 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 7	11 a.m.-4 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 8	Closed
Monday, Jan. 9- Friday, Jan. 13	7:45 a.m.-4 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 14	11 a.m.-4 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 15	Closed
Monday, Jan. 16 Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday	Closed
Tuesday, Jan. 17- Wednesday, Jan. 8	7:45 a.m.-4 p.m.
Thursday, Jan. 19- Friday, Jan. 20	8 a.m.-4 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 21- Sunday, Jan. 22	Closed

Spring semester library hours will begin Monday, Jan. 23.

For more information, call ext. 2590, send an e-mail to library@cortland.edu or visit the Memorial Library Web site at www.library.cortland.edu



Sports Schedule

Capital Letters Denote Home Games

Tuesday, Dec. 6

Women's Basketball at Ithaca, 6 p.m.
Men's Basketball at Ithaca, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 7

Wrestling at Brockport, 7 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 9

Women's Ice Hockey at Trinity (Conn.), 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 10

WRESTLING vs. RIT, 11 a.m.
Women's Ice Hockey at Trinity (Conn.), 3 p.m.
Women's Basketball at Nazareth, 6 p.m.
WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS — Alumni Meet
(Exhibition), 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 13

Men's Basketball at RIT, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 4

MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Hartwick; doubleheader,
4 and 6 p.m.

Faculty Grant Incentive Program Deadline Date Extended to Jan. 30

The application deadline for the Faculty Grant Incentive Program (FGIP) has been extended until the close of business on Jan. 30, 2006.

Offered through the Sponsored Programs Office's Internal Grant Programs, FGIP provides mentoring assistance and \$1,500 to FGIP awardees who apply to an external source requesting \$25,000 or more to support their research and creative activities.

Payment is contingent on meeting all sponsor and SUNY Cortland submission requirements. Full-time, tenure-track faculty members who have not received an external award in the past five years at SUNY Cortland are eligible to apply.

The proposed sponsor's deadline for submission must be either open or between Jan. 1, 2006, and Dec. 31, 2006. Proposals incorporating undergraduate student or faculty collaboration in the proposed work plan will receive higher priority consideration.

Each FGIP awardee will be matched with an experienced mentor who will help refine the proposal design and provide draft review assistance. In addition, sponsored programs staff will closely assist FGIP awardees in developing and submitting their proposals. The College Research Committee (CRC) anticipates funding five FGIP awards during 2006.

Applications must be received in the Sponsored Programs Office, Miller Building, Room 402, by close of business on Jan. 30.

The 2006 Faculty Grant Incentive Program application may be found on pages 13-14 of the 2005-07 Internal Grants Programs Application Guidelines packet. A paper copy of this document is available in the Sponsored Programs Office. Alternately, the document may be downloaded at www.cortland.edu/osp/igssummary.htm#FGIP.

For more information, contact Glen Clarke, sponsored programs, at ext. 2511 or by e-mail at glenrc@cortland.edu or visit the office.

ASC, CRC Make Plans For New Campus Parking Lot

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Place said that subsequent annual contributions to the fund over the 30-year term of the parking lot agreement will allow the CRC to fully pay future operating expenses from the interest earned on the account.

SUNY Cortland is also sensitive to the CRC's concerns and will make the aesthetics of the parking lot a priority.

"ASC and the College intend to provide a well-lit environment that will incorporate several safety features," said ASC Executive Director Dana Wavle. "We will also make sure the parking lot is constructed properly with the cemetery in mind. There will be a landscaped berm and an attractive fence between the parking lot and the cemetery for privacy and aesthetic purposes."

Parking has been a long-standing problem on the SUNY Cortland campus. A variety of surveys and studies have shown the student body to be overwhelmingly in favor of additional parking. "We're all very excited," says President Erik J. Bitterbaum. "New parking is something we desperately need."

"If all goes smoothly, our plan is to open the parking lot by August 2006," added William Shaut, finance and management.

The CRC has submitted a use variance application to the City of Cortland Zoning Board of Appeals. At the same time, ASC has submitted applications to the City Planning Committee and the County Planning Board.

"We hope to have a decision by early 2006," said Wavle.

The proposed parking area will be a paid lot, with students, faculty and staff required to pay a daily use rate. The money collected for parking fees will pay for the renovation of the land and the building of the lot. The CRC will also receive a base rent fee and a share of the profits. A parking fee rate has not been determined.

"This initiative brought together two local non-profit organizations to develop a business arrangement that meets critical needs for the Cortland and campus communities," explained Wavle.

"I think this arrangement can really serve as an example to other non-profit organizations," said Palm. "There are direct benefits to the community too. For example, the neighborhoods surrounding SUNY Cortland should experience a decrease in on-street parking as the SUNY Cortland students start to use the new lot."

For more information, contact Wavle at ext. 4325.

News Briefs

UUP Holiday Party/Musical Spoofo Set for Dec. 14 in Exhibition Lounge

The annual musical comedy spoofo sponsored by the United University Professions (UUP) will be held from 4-7 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 14, as part of the holiday party. Faculty and staff are invited to this free event, which will be held in the Corey Union Exhibition Lounge.

Music by "The Four Profs" will begin at 4 p.m. They include Bill Griffen, foundations and social advocacy, Sam Forcucci, music emeritus, Clayton Alcorn, international communications and culture emeritus, and James Herkimer of Syracuse.

Beginning at 6 p.m., UUP presents "I Get a Kick Out of Cortland," featuring music by Cole Porter and book and lyrics by Tom Hischak, performing arts. The show will feature the following SUNY faculty and staff members: Girish Bhat, history; Colleen Buchanan, physical education; Tom Fuchs, physical education; Cindy Halpin, performing arts; Kevin Halpin, performing arts; Mary Kennedy, English; Yolanda Kime, physics; Craig Little, sociology/anthropology; Donna Margine, registrar; Jo Schaffer, art and art history emerita; William Sharp, history; Bob Spitzer, political science; Sharon Steadman, sociology/anthropology; Judy Van Buskirk, history; Mary Ware, foundations and social advocacy; John Willmer, geography; and Karen Zimmerman, performing arts. Donna Anderson, performing arts emerita, will provide musical direction and piano accompaniment.

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

Completed Scholars' Day 2006 Participation Forms Due Dec. 16

Scholars' Day 2006 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. 16, to Mark Prus, arts and sciences, by e-mail at prus@cortland.edu.

Scholars' Day is scheduled for Wednesday, April 19, 2006. It is a daylong event highlighting faculty, staff and student scholarship and research.

For more information, contact Prus at ext. 4312.



Faculty-Staff Activities

Cristina Bacuta and **Cecile Dore**, mathematics, attended the 55th annual Conference of the Association of Mathematics Teachers of New York State, held Nov. 3-5 in Buffalo, N.Y. Bacuta gave an hour presentation on "Building Proof from Pre-K to College Level."

Phil Buckenmeyer, **Jim Hokanson** and **Peter McGinnis**, exercise science and sport studies, along with six undergraduate and three graduate students, all attended the Mid-Atlantic Regional Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine annual meeting Nov. 11-12 in Harrisburg, Pa. McGinnis was an invited speaker and presented "Vault High and Land Safely: The Biomechanics of Pole Vaulting."

Kim Cameron, biological sciences, and co-authors from SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry (SUNY ESF) Mark Teece, Chemistry Department, and Larry Smart, Forest Biology Department, recently had their manuscript accepted for publication in *Plant Physiology*. Titled "Increased Accumulation of Cuticular Wax and Expression of Lipid Transfer Protein in Response to Periodic Drying Events in Leaves of *Nicotiana glauca*," it describes how tree tobacco responds to periodic dehydration stress by increasing its cuticular wax load and expressing a lipid transfer protein. Lipid transfer proteins have been shown to be involved in plant defense, but their role in cuticle deposition is still not known. This manuscript provides further evidence that these proteins are involved in cuticle deposition and presents *Nicotiana glauca* as a model system for future dehydration stress studies.

In addition, Cameron and co-authors Smart and William Moskel, Institute for Genomic Research, Rockville, Md., recently had a second manuscript accepted for publication in *Functional Plant Biology*. Titled "A Second Member of the *Nicotiana glauca* Lipid Transfer Protein Gene Family, NgLTP2, Encodes a Divergent and Differentially Expressed Protein," this manuscript describes a wound-inducible member of the lipid transfer gene family in *Nicotiana glauca*.

Lori Ellis, art and art history, will exhibit her paintings in a solo show at Bella Perla Gallery in Portland, Ore., during December. She will travel to Portland to participate in the opening reception, which is part of a city-wide gallery walk celebration.

Jean W. LeLoup and **Bob Ponterio**, international communications and culture, presented a session titled "FLTEACH Project: Database of Online Lessons with Authentic Materials and Cultural Content" at the annual conference of the Wisconsin Association for Language Teachers (WAFALT) in Appleton, Wisc., in November. The presentation focused on the NEH-funded initiative for FLTEACH, the Foreign Language Teaching Forum, which provides for creation and development of an online database of foreign language lesson plans with cultural content.

Victor Symonette, international communications and culture, will speak and conduct at a lecture concert of Kurt Weill's "Threepenny Opera" at Queens College (Queens, N.Y.), on Dec. 13. Symonette, who has the "Threepenny Opera" in his discography, will speak on the story and history of the work, as well as recall familial anecdotes relating to this cornerstone work of the 20th century musical theater.

Arden Zipp, chemistry, recently attended a meeting of the National Chemistry Olympiad Subcommittee at the headquarters of the American Chemical Society in Washington, D.C. Zipp chairs the task force that develops the written exams used to identify 20 high school students, out of more than 10,000, to attend a two-week study camp at the Air Force Academy.

Faculty-Staff Directory Changes Announced

Please note the following changes to the information in the *2005-2006 Faculty and Staff Directory*.

- On page 16 the phone number for **Gordon Valentine** should be ext. 5483.
- On page 69, the e-mail address for **Amy Schutt** should be schutta@cortland.edu.
- On page 70, the e-mail address for **William Sharp** should be sharpw@cortland.edu.
- On page 74, **Gordon C. Valentine's** address should read Old Main, Room 211-F, and his phone number is 753-5483; **Judith Van Buskirk** should be listed as an Associate Professor, Old Main, Room 210-E, 753-2057.

For more information, contact Ingrid Jordak, publications and electronic media, at ext. 4699 or by e-mail to jordaki@cortland.edu.

Alumni Ice Arena Hours Posted

Lunchtime Ice Skating

Monday-Friday 11 a.m.-noon
Free Admission; \$2 Skate Rental

Holiday Recreational Skate

Sunday, Dec. 18 1-3 p.m.
Admission \$1; Children under five are free.
Skate Rental: \$2

For more information, call ext. 4961

Recreation Program Receives Reaccreditation

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Western Illinois University and California State University at Chico.

The program's accreditation allows students in recreation and leisure studies to take national certification exams immediately upon graduation. Students from schools that are not accredited must work in the field for two years before they are eligible to take the exam.

"That gives the students a foot in the door in a competitive job market," Anderson said.

Recreation and leisure studies, one of five separate academic departments within the School of Professional Studies, has been in existence since 1948. The department, which has 140 undergraduates and 70 graduate students, was first accredited in 1985.

The most recent accreditation process began two years ago when the faculty began reviewing the concentrations, curriculum and long-range plans. In October 2005, Peter Cunningham of Middle Tennessee State University visited the campus to interview faculty, students and administrators as well as review the course offerings and facilities.

The department had to show evidence that it was meeting 89 standards for the core curriculum and additional 68 standards for the four concentrations. The standards are based on areas ranging from the quality of the faculty and students to the department's available resources.

For more information, contact Anderson at ext. 4941.



Coming Events

Tuesday, Dec. 6

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

College-Community Forum: SUNY Cortland, Tompkins Cortland Community College and City of Cortland officials, Blue Frog Café located at the corner of Court and Main Streets, Cortland, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 7

Holiday Pottery and Student Art Sale: Old Main lobby, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 8

Holiday Pottery and Student Art Sale: Old Main lobby, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Presentation: "Improving Writing in the Disciplines," hosted by the provost and vice president for academic affairs and the College Writing Committee; Old Main, Room G-12, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

\$ Performance: "The Odd Couple," a female version of Neil Simon's production, Dowd Fine Arts Center, 8 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 9

Holiday Pottery and Student Art Sale: Old Main lobby, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Friday Films at Four: Exploring the work of Ingmar Bergman, Old Main, Room G-24, 4 p.m.

\$ Performance: "The Odd Couple," a female version of Neil Simon's production, Dowd Fine Arts Center, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 10

\$ Dinner Theatre and Discussion: "The Patron Saint of Laughter," Bill Whiting, retired educator, Corey Union Fireplace Lounge, 5 p.m. *Registration due by Tuesday, Dec. 6.*

\$ Performance: "The Odd Couple," a female version of Neil Simon's production, Dowd Fine Arts Center, 8 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 11

\$ Performance: "The Odd Couple," a female version of Neil Simon's production, Dowd Fine Arts Center, 2 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 12

Bloodmobile: Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 11 a.m.-6 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 13

All classes end.

Faculty Senate Meeting: Corey Union, Exhibition Lounge, 1:10 p.m.

Concert: SUNY Cortland's annual Holiday Concert, Dowd Fine Arts Center, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 14

Final examination period through Thursday, Dec. 22.

Sunday, Dec. 18

\$ Holiday Recreational Skate: Alumni Ice Arena, 1-3 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 4

Winter session classes begin.

Monday, Jan. 16

Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday: No classes.

Wednesday, Jan. 18

Winter session classes end.

Thursday, Jan. 19

President's State of the College Address: Corey Union Function Room, 9 a.m.

College Creates Two Departments

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One of the long-range planning goals of 2002 was to explore the feasibility of developing an Ethnic Studies Department. The provost appointed a task force that deliberated for a year and recommended that, in lieu of creating an Ethnic Studies Department, the College make the African American Studies program a department. This action to create a department is consistent with that task force's recommendation, noted Davis-Russell.

Meanwhile, the human service studies major was created at SUNY Cortland by Stuart Traub, sociology/anthropology, who continues to serve as its coordinator. A "2+2 capping program," human service studies has about 40 majors, all of whom earned an associate's degree elsewhere and are completing their studies toward either a B.A. or B.S. on the Cortland campus.



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