The Faculty Senate voted nearly unanimously on Jan. 31 to support a new fall semester academic calendar proposed by President Erik J. Bitterbaum that would start classes at the same time in August but end a week earlier in December to save the College tens of thousands of dollars in energy costs.

The two Student Government Association representatives present at the Faculty Senate meeting registered the only opposing votes to the new calendar. The previous evening at the Student Senate meeting, the students voiced their formal opposition to any revision to the existing calendar that would eliminate the two-day October Break. Under the new proposal, October Break would be shrunk to one day — a Friday — and become a three-day weekend.

Anticipating a lengthy debate, Faculty Senate Chair Joseph Rayle, foundations and social advocacy, quickly jumped to the fast track issue of a revised calendar on the Senate agenda minutes after the well-attended meeting started in the Park Center Hall of Fame Room. He suspended the formal Senate rules to allow for an open debate by all present.

President Bitterbaum, in his opening remarks, explained how other campuses nationally have turned to amending their academic calendars as one means of combating the escalating costs of natural gas and heating oil. While he had the authority to make a decision without seeking student or faculty approval, Bitterbaum said he would never do so.

“That is not a SUNY Cortland tradition and never will be as long as I am here,” he proclaimed, adding that he wanted input from the campus community.

He then outlined his plan to end classes a week earlier. He would keep the start date of classes the same in August, trim October Break to one day, move the two study days during finals from weekdays to Saturday and Sunday, and eliminate one extra day of classes that the College currently teaches over and above the national norm of 70 days according to the Carnegie formula, which is a higher education standard.

The ensuing discussion by senators and guests revealed a consensus for retaining the August opening date and a strong opposition to beginning the semester a week earlier. The litany of reasons cited included health coverage for new employees not starting until Sept. 1, Raquette Lake classes running until Aug. 26, and students...
Black History Month Celebrations Continue Through February

SUNY Cortland will continue Black History Month celebrations throughout February with a series of events, all of which are free and open to the public.

Lecture: Mechthild Nagel, philosophy, will present her paper titled “U.S. Black Prison Intellectuals” at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 8, in The Bookmark, located in Memorial Library. She’ll focus on the revolutionary spirit and commitment of Angela Davis and Assata Shakur, two iconic Black women and imprisoned intellectuals who were hounded by the U.S. in the 1970s and beyond. Nagel will highlight their views on slavery, freedom and social justice. For more information, contact Seth N. Asumah, coordinator of African American Studies, at ext. 2064.

Film: A “Diversity Film Forum” begins with a screening of “Race: The Power of Illusion” at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 8, in Corey Union Fireplace Lounge. For more information, contact Asumah at ext. 2064.

Lecture: Sheila Cohen, literacy, and some of her students, will examine through film and lecture the College’s partnership with an urban school, the Blodgett School project in Syracuse, N.Y., on Thursday, Feb. 9. Cohen primarily will focus on her collaboration with one of the Blodgett teachers, an outstanding urban educator, and the resulting benefits for college students and Blodgett students. A film created by Lydia Montgomery, a graduate assistant in the Literacy Department, will allow the audience to see some of these benefits. The sandwich seminar presentation begins at noon in The Bookmark. For more information, call Cohen at ext. 2464.

Lecture: Members of Amnesty International’s SUNY Cortland chapter will discuss “Human Rights and Africa” on Monday, Feb. 13. The talk begins at 7 p.m. in Bowers Hall, Room 136. For more information, contact Asumah at ext. 2064.

Lecture: Susan Rayl, exercise science and sport studies, will give a PowerPoint presentation on “Breaking Barriers for Muslim Women in Sport: Nawal El-Moutawakel-Bennis” on Tuesday, Feb. 14. The presentation will give a short biography of 1984 Olympic Gold Medalist Nawal El-Moutawakel-Bennis, a devout Muslim woman, who is now a member of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and has created opportunities for Muslim women to participate in sport. Examples of a few of these women will be discussed. The program begins at 7 p.m. in the Corey Union Fireplace Lounge. For more information, call Rayl at ext. 5457.

Storytelling: Professional storyteller Sheila Arnold of Hampton, Va., will portray Martha Washington’s personal slave, Oney Judge, in two storytelling workshops on Wednesday, Feb. 15. The workshops will be offered at 11:30 a.m. and at 12:40 p.m. in the Memorial Library Teaching Materials Center (TMC). The student workshop will focus on dramatic arts or creative writing for all ages.

Spring 2006 ‘Wellness Wednesday’ Series Begins Feb. 8

SUNY Cortland will host its popular Wellness Wednesday Series during Spring 2006, featuring speakers, self-help workshops, reflexology and acupressure and other programs intended to help students adjust to college life.

Sponsored by the Health Promotion Office and the Student Development Center, the series events will take place, unless otherwise noted, on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in the Corey Union Exhibition Lounge.

On Feb. 8, Joseph Sanders, multicultural life coordinator at SUNY Cortland, will present an interactive discussion on multiculturalism titled “Short, Tall, Black or White … We are all Multicultural.” Sanders will define multiculturalism and how it benefits students.

On Feb. 15, Frances A. Pizzola, program coordinator for Access to Independence of Cortland County, Inc., will discuss “Life Begins at 21 — Living Well with a Disability: A Person-First Perspective.” The local disability advocate will share her journey through the philosophy and history of the independent living movement and a timeline of events which led to the creation of Access to Independence of Cortland County, Inc., a state Independent Living Services Center. Pizzola has a B.S. in Education and M.S. in Reading from SUNY Cortland.

On Thursday, Feb. 23, national presenters Doris and Tom Smeltzer will offer “Andrea’s Voice” at 7:30 p.m., in the Corey Union Function Room. The Smeltzers’ daughter, Andrea, a 19-year-old college student, died in her sleep after a one-year struggle with bulimia when an electrolyte imbalance caused her heart to stop. Andrea’s parents will share her compelling story as well as vital information on disordered eating.

On March 1, graduate student Robin Igl will present “But You Look So Normal.” Robin will share her candid autobiography of winning her battle with an eating disorder. She will discuss the physical, emotional, and financial consequences of an eating disorder and how to recognize the early warning signs.

On March 22, licensed massage therapist Cat Berry will offer “Relax with Reflexology and Acupressure.” Berry, who has more than 25 years of experience with reflexology and acupressure, will demonstrate techniques in self-treatment for neck and back tension with reflexology and acupressure.

On Monday, March 27, members of the financial advisement staff and a loan industry partner will discuss “Financial Wellness: College and Beyond.” The event begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Corey Union Function Room. This session will look at real-world financial issues facing Cortland students, such as credit management, credit scoring and identity theft, as well as issues facing recent college graduates.

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Filmmaker Keith Beauchamp to Speak on Landmark Emmett Till Racial Murder Case

Keith Beauchamp, a filmmaker whose documentary prompted the federal government to reopen the investigation into the 1955 murder of Emmett Till, will speak after a showing of his film on Tuesday, Feb. 21.

Beauchamp's film, “The Untold Story of Emmett Louis Till,” will be shown at 6:30 p.m. in Old Main Brown Auditorium. The filmmaker will give a lecture at 8 p.m. followed by a reception. The event is free and open to the public.

Emmett Till was a 14-year-old African-American boy who was murdered after whistling at a white woman outside a grocery store in Money, Miss. Three weeks after his murder, Jet magazine published a photograph of his disfigured corpse, exposing his lynching to millions around the world.

His death is widely credited with providing the spark that launched the civil rights movement.

Beauchamp was a 10-year-old living in Baton Rouge, La., when he first saw the photograph of Emmett in Jet magazine. The boy's name was frequently mentioned by Beauchamp's parents to teach him about racism. In an interview with ABC News, Beauchamp said, “The first thing my parents would often tell me before I left the house at night was, 'Don't let what happened to Emmett Till happen to you.' ”

In August 1955, Emmett and his cousin boarded a train in Chicago to visit relatives in the Mississippi Delta. After a day of picking cotton, Emmett, his cousins and friends... Continued on page 11

School Superintendent will Share Experiences on Feb. 8

Robert DiFlorio, retired superintendent of schools for Syracuse N.Y., will present "Urban Education and Politics in Syracuse New York" at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 8, in Old Main, Room G-12.

His firsthand experience with running a large urban district in New York will be of interest to members of the campus community from both a political and educational point of view.

The event is sponsored by the Political Science Department. For more information, contact Mary McGuire at mcguirem@cornell.edu.

Conservative Columnist to Discuss Bush Administration

Fred Barnes, the executive editor of the conservative magazine The Weekly Standard, will speak about the influence of the Bush administration and the war in Iraq on Tuesday, Feb. 7.

The free lecture by Barnes, one of the nation’s most influential political reporters, is called “The New Political Era in Washington.” The talk, scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in Old Main Brown Auditorium, is part of the College’s yearlong series on the theme of “Rights Inalienable in a Time of War.”

While known for his political commentary in newspapers and on talk shows, Barnes has recently attracted national media attention for his new book, Rebel-in-Chief: How George W. Bush Is Defining the Conservative Movement and Transforming America, published this month by Crown Forum.

The book is an inside look at the president, revealing the personality of a man Barnes calls an “insurgent leader” who is “an alien in the realm of the governing class.”

His lecture is sponsored by the College’s Cultural and Intellectual Climate Committee. For more information, contact Kevin Sheets, history, at ext. 2060.

Children’s Book Author, Illustrator Suzanne Bloom Will Present Workshop on Feb. 11 at Children’s Museum

Suzanne Bloom, nationally known children’s book author and illustrator, will present a children’s workshop titled “Wishes, Wishes, Wishes” at the SUNY Cortland Children’s Museum on Saturday, Feb. 11.

From 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Bloom will read her recent books and share how she turns her ideas into stories and creates engaging illustrations. Students who are studying to become teachers will conduct children’s activities correlating with Bloom’s creative work. The author will sign copies of her books, which will be available for purchase.

Faculty Gala Set for Feb. 7

Members of the Performing Arts Department will present the annual Faculty Gala at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 7, in the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre.

Among faculty and staff members presenting music and theatre selections will be Ralph Dudgeon, Marina Gorelaya, Cindy Halpin, Thomas Hischak, Edward Moore, David Neal, Lois Pfister, Sherry Scanza and Karen Zimmerman.

The program is free and both the college and the community are invited.

Admission is free but donations are gladly accepted. The event is part of the spring Children’s Museum season, hosted by faculty and students in the Childhood/Early Childhood Education Department. The presentation is supported by the Campus Artists and Lecture Series.

A 25-year resident of McDonough, N.Y., Bloom writes children’s books whose characters are inspired by youngsters she has met. For the past 17 years she has visited schools to talk about her work. The recipient of an American Library Association’s 2006 Theodore Seuss Geisel Award, Bloom is the author and illustrator of books including We Keep a Pig in the Parlor (1999), A Family for Jamie: An Adoption Story (1991), and A Splendid Friend, Indeed (2005).

The Children’s Museum is located on the ground floor of O’Heran Newman Hall at 8 Calvert St. in Cortland.

For details about Bloom’s program, contact Judith Schillo, childhood/early childhood education, at ext. 2454. For more information about other Children’s Museum events, call the series organizer, Susan Stratton, childhood/early childhood education, at ext. 2467.
Michael P. Toglia Named Fulbright Consultant to International Universities

Michael P. Toglia, psychology, will make his services available to the international academic community as a Fulbright senior specialist.

Toglia, of Homer, N.Y., recently was named to the Fulbright Senior Specialist Roster by the Council for International Exchange of Scholars on behalf of the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board and the Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State.

The Fulbright Senior Specialist program matches overseas institutions of higher education with scholars who can provide professional guidance on a variety of issues. The consultancies usually last two to six weeks. The program also lines up grants to support the academic and administrative consultations.

“I am honored to be designated as a Fulbright senior specialist, and look forward to pursuing new and exciting international collaborations in research and teaching,” Toglia said.

During his 30-year academic career, Toglia has done considerable research on eyewitness memory and testimony. He will offer his services internationally to advise on programmatic research, participate in specialized academic programs, lecture and contribute to seminars and workshops.

He has presented his research findings at international psycho-legal conferences in Wales, Belgium, Italy, Canada, Sweden, Scotland and New Zealand and has collaborated with cross-national colleagues on journal articles and books.

Toglia is currently the executive director of the international Society for Applied Research in Memory and Cognition (SARMAC), which he helped found in 1994. A Fellow in the American Psychology Association's Division of Psychology and Law, he is frequently invited to present colloquia, testimony and law-related workshops.

Toglia has testified and consulted extensively in his field, including on false memory in special populations, research that was supported by a National Institutes of Health grant. He has appeared in the legal documentary narrated by Susan Saint-James, titled “What Jennifer Knew.”

Students to Participate in Habitat Collegiate Challenge

During spring break, 42 SUNY Cortland students will travel to Concord, Statesville and Rocky Mount, N.C., to participate in the 2006 Habitat for Humanity Collegiate Challenge.

Established in 1989, the Collegiate Challenge program has grown into one of the largest year-round alternative spring break programs in the United States and Canada.

In 2005, 12,700 students participated in the program and raised more than $1.2 million for Habitat for Humanity.

Participants will visit one of 250 host sites throughout the United States to spend one week working in partnership with local affiliates, local community and partner families to help eliminate poverty housing in the area. Cortland students will work with other college students to build homes and support families in need while being immersed in the local community.

The alternative spring break trip and local building projects in Cortland County are supported through chapter fundraising efforts, individual donations and financial support from the Student Government Association and Auxiliary Services Corporation.

To make a donation or to learn more about how to become involved with Habitat projects, contact Don Wilcox, protestant campus minister, at wilcox@cortland.edu, student Karalyn Wendell at wendel84@cortland.edu, or John Shirley, career services, at johns@em.cortland.edu.

He is the author of seven books, mainly dedicated to eyewitness memory. The latest, the two-volume Handbook of Eyewitness Psychology, is in press. Toglia has served as a reviewer for the National Science Foundation and for many professional journals. He is action editor for the journal Memory and was recently appointed to the Applied Cognitive Psychology editorial board.

The recipient of a 1986 SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching, Toglia honed his leadership skills as department chair.

A native of Tucson, Ariz., he earned a B.A. in psychology from the University of Arizona and master’s and doctoral degrees in experimental psychology from the University of Colorado.

“We appreciate your interest in international scholarly exchanges and trust that you will continue to support this endeavor, which is so vital to academic and professional communities around the world,” wrote Patti McGill Peterson, council executive director, in a recent letter to Toglia.

A Fulbright senior specialist’s name remains on the roster for up to five years. List members are contacted by the council as matches are made between a foreign institution’s needs and the roster member who has the most relevant professional experience. The candidates then apply for the assignments that interest them. The final selection is made after the applicants are considered by the Fulbright office in the host country and the host academic institution.

Memorial Service Planned

A memorial service for Albert Montanaro III, a SUNY Cortland senior from Keeseville, N.Y., who died on Jan. 16, will be held on Saturday, Feb. 11, at 2 p.m. at O’Heron Newman Hall, 8 Calvert St., Cortland.

Montanaro died after being struck by a car while jogging near his home in AuSable Chasm, N.Y., during winter break.

A group of Montanaro’s friends are planning the service. For more information, contact Marie Agen at 753-6737.
Spring Semester Chinese Film Series Documents Modern Asian Life

Everyday life in China is being showcased throughout the Spring 2006 semester with a China Documentary Film Series.

The films, which are free and open to the public, are shown with English subtitles at 4 p.m. on selected Wednesdays in Old Main Brown Auditorium.

Sponsored by the Auxiliary Services Corporation (ASC), the movies showcase the Real China Foundation (RCF)’s 2005 Reel China Documentary Festival. After each film, Tiantian Zheng, sociology/anthropology, and coordinator of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, will gather feedback about the film from viewers on behalf of the RCF. The series organizer, Zheng received an ASC grant to obtain the films on loan from the RCF.

On Feb. 8, “Grandpa Jing and His Old Clients” will be shown. Directed by Shi Runjiu, the 2003 film runs 55 minutes. It offers a glimpse of Grandpa Jing, who is about to celebrate his 87th birthday, having been a barber for 70 of those years in the heart of old Beijing. Increasingly senile, he has given up his shop but continues to serve his customers in their homes.

“The Secret of My Success,” a 73-minute film made in 2002 under the direction of Duan Jingchuan, will be screened on Feb. 22. It features Mr. Lu Guohua, the managing officer for Family Planning and Birth Control Office, whose major responsibility is to reinforce the “one-child-policy” in Fansheng Village. Highly respected during his 14 years of service, Guohua has encountered only the occasional fist fight. However, in 2001 a family member in his ward gives birth to a third child, thus violating the strict rules for which he stands. The film documents his soured relationship with the village head and the election-year struggle that ensues between the two.

On March 8, the College will show “San Yuan Li,” a 44-minute, black-and-white film directed in 2003 by Ou Ning and Cao Fei under the commission of the 50th Venice Biennale. The documentary studies the case of a typical village-amid-the-city phenomenon in Guangzhou. The crew explores the San Yuan Li Village from the perspectives of its ancient history, the confrontations and reconciliations involved in modernization, the patriarchal clan system, and the rural community system in Guangdong.

On March 29, “DV China” will be screened. Directed by Zheng Dasheng, the 92-minute documentary filmed in 2002 follows Jindezheng, where since the early 1990s villagers have produced serial films, led by Zhou Yuanqiang, the creative director of the local cultural center. With 18 serials under their belts despite a lack of equipment and funding, the enthusiastic amateur actors undertake their first Kung-fu film. The documentary follows the film production group’s difficulty in raising money for the venture, resolving technical problems and personal differences.

“The Sun In Winter,” a 2002 film directed by Zhao Gang, will be shown on April 5. The 76-minute film focuses on the politics, economy and culture of the people living in China’s villages at the end of the 20th century. Over the course of three years, the film observes and records from a sociologist’s standpoint the workings of a single village in western China to reveal the unique course of democratic autonomy undertaken by several hundred million Chinese farmers.

For more information, contact Zheng at ext. 2478.

James M. Clark Center for International Education

International Visitors Schedule Announced

Feb 8-9: Franciszek Lyra, Poland
Lyra is a distinguished Polish scholar in the field of American literature and he is currently SUNY’s representative in Poland and liaison with Polish universities for SUNY. In addition to meeting with colleagues at SUNY Cortland, he will travel around the state to learn more about SUNY in general.

Feb. 10 or 11: Jala Garibova, Azerbaijan
Garibova is from the Azerbaijan University of Languages in Baku, Azerbaijan. She will be working with colleagues in the International Communications and Culture Department on a Dual Diploma Program in Second Language Acquisition.

March 21-24: Judith Lambert, France
Lambert works with the SUNY Cortland Study Abroad program at the University of La Rochelle.

March 23: Alicia Steinberg, Argentina
Steinberg, a distinguished Argentine author and translator, will present two talks, times and locations to be determined.

March 27-June 29: Mohamed Ghouse, Malaysia
Ghouse will be a Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence from Malaysia in the field of dance, theater, literature.

April 17: SUNY-wide coordinators meeting for the SUNY-Turkey Dual Diploma Initiative
SUNY Program coordinators will meet on campus. Sponsored by SUNY System Administration Office of International Programs and SUNY Cortland Anadolu-Izmir Workgroup

April 18: Annual conference of the SUNY and the Turkish Coordinators for the SUNY-Turkey Dual Diploma program.
About 35-40 visitors from Turkey are expected, including distinguished leaders in their higher education community. Approximately 30-35 attendees will also be present from the SUNY system. The meeting may include a teleconference or telephone call-in by SUNY Chancellor Ryan.

For more information about the schedule or visitors to the James M. Clark Center for International Education, contact Interim Director Henry Steck, political science, at ext. 4807.
Assessment Committee Names Grant Recipients

The College Assessment Committee has announced the recipients of the Winter 2006 round of Assessment Incentive Grants totaling $5,669.

The purpose of the program incentive grants is to assist departments, units and programs to advance their existing assessment plan or program review.

The seven recipients along with project titles and amounts awarded include:

- Jean LeLoup, international communications and culture, received $1,559 to recruit consultants to train faculty on administering the Simulated Oral Proficiency Interview.
- Regina Grantham, speech pathology and audiology, was awarded $700 to hold department retreats to modify their assessment plan and develop a strategic plan in line with the College’s 5-year Strategic Plan cycle.
- Sheila Cohen, literacy, will put $700 toward the cost of retreats for an advisory committee to examine restructuring the Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies with the Multicultural Life Office and to develop a plan and tools.
- Susan Stratton, childhood/early childhood education, was awarded $400 to assess effectiveness in the M.S.T. program, which will be examined closely by NCATE in their next visit.
- Louis Gatto and Peter Ducey, biological sciences, received $800 to cover the cost of administering the ETS Major Field Test in Biology to senior biological science majors in order to assess student learning outcome goals.
- John Cottone, exercise science and sport studies, was awarded $500 to help cover the cost of a third external reviewer needed for SUNY program review.
- Catherine Smith, health promotion/student development, received $1,000 to administer the National College Health Assessment, a nationally developed survey to obtain information about Cortland student health behaviors, attitudes and perceptions which is an objective of their assessment plan.

Activities will take place during the spring semester and early summer. Two rounds of incentive grants are currently offered each year. In addition, assessment-related workshops will be sponsored and organized for late spring and early summer in conjunction with the Office of Institutional Research and Assessment. Details of these will be made available in the near future.

Members of the committee are: David Barclay, geology; Michael Berzonsky, psychology; Victoria Boynton, English; Ed Caffarella, education; Mariangela Chandler, Academic Support and Achievement Program; Elizabeth Davis-Russell, provost and academic affairs; Gary Evans, human resources; Joy Hendrick, exercise science and sport studies; Ingrid Jordak, publications and electronic media; Virginia Levine, President’s Office; Roy Olsson, professional studies; Mark Prus, arts and sciences; Shawn Van Eten, institutional research and assessment; and Gail Wood, library.

Five Faculty Members Receive Project Funding

The Sponsored Programs Office has announced that five faculty members recently received project funding.

- Sheila Cohen, literacy, received $2,000 from the Cultural Resources Council for “Arts Partners Bring History to Life” for the period Jan. 1-May 31, 2006.
- Ellen McCabe, library, and Henry Steck, political science, received $1,500 from the American Library Association for “Let’s Talk About It: Demons, Goloms and Dybbuks, Monsters of the Jewish Imagination,” for the period April 1, 2006-Feb. 28, 2007.

For more information, contact Pam Schroeder, sponsored programs, at ext. 2511.

Spring Building Administrators Appointed

Academic and administrative building administrators report directly to the dean, who is responsible for the supervision of the building and its use. Residence facilities administrators report directly to the vice president for student affairs. Building administrators for the spring semester are:

**Academic/Administrative Buildings**

- Bowers Hall: John Sternfeld
- Brauer Field Station: Jack Sheltmire
- Chemical Management Facility: Amy Twiss
- Corey Union: Michael Whitlock
- Cornish Hall: Mary Ware
- Dowd Fine Arts Center: Charles Heasley
- Heating Plant: Don Chisholm
- Hoxie Gorge: Larry Klitz
- Lusk Field House: Jesse Adams
- McDonald Building: Regina Grantham
- Memorial Library: Gail Wood
- Miller Building: Mary K. Murphy
- Moffett Center: Bonni Hodges
- Neubig Hall: Dana Wavel
- Old Main: Mark Prus
- Outdoor Education Center: Jack Sheltmire

**Residence Halls**

- Alger Hall: Nick Koziol
- Casey Tower: Kevin Brenzel
- Cheney Hall: Brandon Barile
- Clark Hall: A.J. LeViere
- DeGroat Hall: Michele Paladino
- Fitzgerald Hall: Gerald Stannard Jr.
- Glass Tower: Craig Dillaman
- Hayes Hall: Nick Gingue
- Hendrick Hall: Jonathan Yacashin
- Higgins Hall: R. Chad Brown
- Randall Hall: Kellie Derry
- Shea Hall: Steve Canals
- Smith Tower: Ryan Johnson
- West Campus Apartments: Carol Costell
- Whitaker Hall: Jose Sanchez

For more information, contact Pam Schroeder, sponsored programs, at ext. 2511.
Affirmative Action Committee Awards Funds

The Affirmative Action Committee has announced 2005-06 Affirmative Action Grant recipients. The mini-grants are used to support campus organizations, offices or individuals engaged in activities or programs that advance the spirit of Affirmative Action. Specifically, the grants were offered to sponsor programming that serves to educate and inform students, faculty and staff on topics and/or issues pertaining to women, minorities including Asians, Pacifica Islanders, Blacks, Hispanics, Native Americans, persons with disabilities and veterans.

This year’s recipients are:

• Seth Asumah, political science and African American studies, was awarded $300 for helping to support the Diversity Film Forum. He also received $300 to support two Black History Month programs titled “Breaking Barriers for Muslim Women in Sports: Nawal El-Moutawakel-Bennis” and “Black-Irish Connections.”

• Sheila Cohen, Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies in conjunction with the Multicultural Life Office, received $300 for supporting the program titled “Strategies for AALANA Recruitment and Retention.”

For more information, contact Wendy McAllister, human resources, at ext. 2302.

Affirmative Action Defined

The Affirmative Action Committee regularly provides the campus community with basic information about Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity to promote principles that are philosophically sound, morally just, and represent good management and just practice.

The committee defines affirmative action as the process in which an organization goes out of its way (i.e. takes action) to assure (i.e. affirm) that its practices operate without disadvantaging either sex or any ethnic group (Canson-Crosby, 1989; Crosby, 1990).

Affirmative action attempts to make progress toward substantive, rather than merely formal, equality of opportunity for groups such as women or racial minorities that are currently underrepresented in significant positions in society, by explicitly taking into account the defining characteristics – sex, race, disabilities, or veterans – that have been or may be the basis for discrimination.

Affirmative action applies to many employment practices including hiring, promotions, compensation and terminations.

For more information, contact Wendy McAllister, human resources, at ext. 2302.

CSEW Survey Planned

The President’s Committee on the Status and Education of Women (CSEW) periodically surveys faculty, professional staff, classified staff and students in an effort to assess the SUNY Cortland climate with respect to gender-related issues.

Results from these comprehensive surveys can provide important information regarding the educational climate at Cortland and can assist in improving the social conditions that govern interactions among the campus community. The last CSEW campus climate survey was administered in 1999.

The Committee on the Status and Education of Women will be administering the surveys during the month of February. This year for the first time the surveys will be available online. Additional information and instructions for accessing the surveys will be provided soon via campus e-mail.

For more information, contact the President’s Office at ext. 2201.

2006 Summer in the City Applications Due Feb. 28

Applications are being accepted for the 2006 Summer in the City internship program which will run from July 5 through the week of Aug. 14.

The deadline for submitting an online application and official transcript is Tuesday, Feb. 28. Interns will be notified of their acceptance into the program no later than April 15.

Students must be in good academic standing at the time of application with a grade point average of 3.0. The online application does not require approval from university personnel. However, they can provide support to students as they prepare the application.

The program is designed to give 225 college students a field experience in a New York City (NYC) public school as a means of building their commitment to a teaching career with the NYC Department of Education.

Interns are placed in summer school classrooms where they work with a certified NYC teacher to provide large group and small group instruction to students. Regional and school-based professional development, professional publications and weekly meetings combine with this field experience to provide interns with an authentic teaching experience. Joining NYC Department of Education staff as a professional member of the school community, interns are exposed to the culture, diversity, challenges and opportunities of NYC and its public school system.

The program is open to students enrolled in an approved teacher preparation program at a New York State university who have completed a minimum of 60 hours of college course work at the time of application. All applicants must meet these minimum eligibility requirements at the time of application. Students from any approved teacher preparation program are eligible to apply. Extended criteria may give preference to applicants who will be certified to teach in a critical shortage area (math, sciences, students with disabilities, ESL, bilingual and Spanish education) or agree to teach in the New York City school system for a minimum of one school year beginning Fall 2006.

For more information, visit www.nyc-sitc.org or contact the Career Services Office at ext. 4715.
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Arnold has served as a drama ministry director, professional storyteller, creative arts workshop administrator, Colonial Williamsburg manager of outreach, and a forensics coach. Her three-year-old company, History's Alive!, provides storytellers, character portrayals and motivational speakers to educational institutions, professional organizations, conferences and churches. For more information, contact Karen Hempson, childhood/early childhood education, at ext. 4209.

Drama Workshop: Arnold will offer a professional development workshop on how to research and depict an historical character from 7-8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 15, in the Park Center Hall of Fame Room. Her professional development training for educators focuses on strategies for more completely and effectively teaching African-American history and on using primary sources to teach history. For more information, contact Hempson at ext. 4209.

Concert: Two Performing Arts Department faculty members, Edward Moore and Ralph Dudgeon, will present “Music of African American Composers” at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 15, in the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre. For more information, contact Moore at ext. 2814 or Dudgeon at ext. 5721.

Lecture: Robert Rhodes, professor emeritus of Anglo-Irish literature in the English Department, will give a lecture on “How Some Irish Become Black: Examples from the Arts” at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 15, in Bowers Hall, Room 136. For more information, contact Rhodes at ext. 2084.

Poetry Reading: Back by popular demand, photographer and rap poet Charles R. Smith Jr. will share his talent from 11:40-12:55 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 16, in The Bookmark. Smith is the author of books combining his talents, including Hoop Queens, Hoop Kings, Rim Shots, Short Takes, Diamond Life and Perfect Harmony. For more information, call Cohen at ext. 2464.

Lecture: Paul Luyben, psychology, will discuss “Thriving On Success: Effectively Teaching Children in the Inner Cities” from 4-5:15 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 16, in the Corey Union Exhibition Lounge. Luyben will show and discuss a film documenting an approach to teaching that reverses the outcomes of poor academic performance, high drop out rates and violence in inner city elementary and middle schools. For more information, contact Luyben at ext. 2042.

Film and Lecture: Keith Beauchamp, whose feature film documentary “The Untold Story of Emmett Louis Till” prompted the U.S. Justice Department to reopen the 50-year-old racially motivated Mississippi murder case, will show his film and speak on Tuesday, Feb. 21. The film will begin at 6:30 p.m. and the lecture at 8 p.m. in Old Main Brown Auditorium. Beauchamp will discuss “Pursuing Change through Passion and Perseverance: My Nine-Year Journey that Led the Department of Justice to Reopen the Murder Investigation into the 1955 Death of Emmett Louis Till.” The event is presented by the Campus Artists and Lecture Series. For more information, contact the Campus Activities and Corey Union Office at ext. 2321.

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Lecture: Students enrolled in Cortland’s Urban Recruitment of Educators (C.U.R.E.) Program will discuss “Teaching Urban School Children” at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 22, in The Bookmark. For more information, contact the C.U.R.E. Program Office at ext. 2450.

Lecture: Matthew Carotenuto, a visiting assistant professor in the History Department and African historian, will give an introductory lecture on “Rwandan Genocide: A Decade of Reflection on the ‘Ghosts of Rwanda’” at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 22, in Corey Union Fireplace Lounge. The event will feature a public screening of the recent “Frontline” documentary “The Ghosts of Rwanda,” which takes a graphic but poignant look at the events surrounding the 1994 genocide in Rwanda. A brief question-and-answer period will follow the two-hour film. The film is intended for mature audiences. For more information, contact Carotenuto at ext. 2053.

Lecture: Joseph Sanders, multicultural life, will speak on “Multiculturalism: A Tool for Social Justice?” Thursday, Feb. 23. The event begins at noon in The Bookmark. For more information, call the Multicultural Life Office at ext. 2336.

Film: A “Diversity Film Forum” series continues with a screening of “Crash” at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 23, in Old Main, Room 209. For more information, contact Asumah at ext. 2064.

Lecture: Atieno Adala, a doctoral candidate at the University of Indiana whose research has focused on the African Virtual University in Nairobi, Kenya, will lecture on the “African Virtual University and Distance Education” at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 27, in the Corey Union Fireplace Lounge. For more information, call Asumah at ext. 2064.

Play Reading: Professor and Playwright Samuel Kelley, communication studies, will dramatize “Habeas Corpus” at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 28, in the Corey Union Exhibition Lounge.

Black History Month is sponsored by the President’s Office, the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Office, Vice President for Student Affairs Office, the Dean of Arts and Sciences Office, the African American Studies Program, the Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies, the Multicultural Life Office, the Black Student Union, the Campus Artists and Lecture Series, the Cortland College Foundation, the Political Science Department, the Philosophy Department, the Cultural and Intellectual Climate Committee, the Childhood/Early Childhood Education Department, the Cortland Cultural Council Decentralization Grant, the Center for Advancement of Technology in Education (CATE), the Information Resources Office, Cortland High School, the McGraw Schools, the Education Club, the Student Government Association, the Center for the Arts of Homer, the Cortland-Homer-McGraw Teacher Center and the Literacy Department.

For more information about Black History Month, contact Asumah at ext. 2064 or in Old Main, Room 208B.
Sports Schedule

Capital Letters Denote Home Games

Tuesday, Feb. 7
Wrestling at Ithaca, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 8
Women's Basketball at Pennsylvania College of Technology, 7 p.m.
Men's/Women's Swimming and Diving – SUNYAC Championships, TBA
(at Erie CC Flickinger Center; Buffalo)

Thursday, Feb. 9
Men's/Women's Swimming and Diving – SUNYAC Championships, TBA
(at Erie CC Flickinger Center; Buffalo)

Friday, Feb. 10
WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY vs. Hamilton, 7 p.m.
Men's/Women's Swimming and Diving – SUNYAC Championships, TBA
(at Erie CC Flickinger Center; Buffalo)
Men's Ice Hockey at Brockport, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 11
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Brockport, 6 p.m.
WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY vs. Chatham (Pa.), 7 p.m.
MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Brockport, 8 p.m.
Men's/Women's Swimming and Diving – SUNYAC Championships, TBA
(at Erie CC Flickinger Center; Buffalo)
Men's/Women's Indoor Track and Field at Cornell Kane Invitational, TBA
Men's/Women's Indoor Track and Field at Boston University, TBA
Women's Gymnastics at Cornell Big Red Invitational, 1 p.m.
Men's Ice Hockey at Geneseo, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 12
WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY vs. Chatham (Pa.), 2 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 14
Women's Basketball at New Paltz, 6 p.m.
Men's Basketball at New Paltz, 8 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 17
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Geneseo, 7 p.m.
MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Geneseo, 8 p.m.
Men's Ice Hockey – SUNYAC Quarterfinals, TBA

Saturday, Feb. 18
MEN'S/WOMEN'S SWIMMING and DIVING – Last Chance Invitational, noon.
WRESTLING – Empire Collegiate Wrestling Conference National Qualifiers, 11 a.m.
Men's/Women's Indoor Track and Field – SUNYAC Championships, 9 a.m.
(at Hobart)
Baseball at Christopher Newport (Va.), 11 a.m.
Baseball vs. Rowan (NJ), 2:30 p.m.
(at Christopher Newport (VA))
Women's Ice Hockey at Buffalo St., 2 p.m.
Women's Basketball at Fredonia, 6 p.m.
Men's Basketball at Fredonia, 8 p.m.
Men's Ice Hockey - SUNYAC Quarterfinals, TBA

Alumni Ice Arena Hours Posted

Admission is $1 unless otherwise noted. Children 5 years of age and younger skate free. Skate rental is $2.
For more information, call ext. 4961.

Lunch Time Skate
Mondays-Fridays, 11 a.m.-noon, free admission

Open Hockey
Helmet/Stick/Skates Required, Sundays from Jan. 29-March 5, 6:30-8 p.m., $5

Freestyle Session
Thursdays through March 9, 7:30-8:45 p.m., $10

Learn to Skate – Southern Tier Skating School
Wednesdays 7:30-9:30 p.m.
For more information, call Jeff and Stacy Petri at 756-2567 or e-mail jmpetri@twcny.rr.com

Recreational Skate
Sunday, Feb. 19, from 1-3 p.m.

Glow N Dark Recreational Skate
Saturday, Feb. 18, Siblings Weekend, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Valentine's Day Recreational Skate
Tuesday, Feb. 14, 7:30-9 p.m.

Customer Appreciation Last Recreational Skate
Sunday, March 5, 1-3 p.m., free admission
Appreciation Award Nominations Sought

The College Council is currently seeking nominations for its 2006 College-Community Appreciation Award, which will be presented in Fall 2006.

Established in 1985, the College-Community Appreciation Award formally recognizes local residents who have significantly assisted SUNY Cortland. The previous 22 winners have included educators, merchants, elected officials, public servants, longtime volunteers, clergy and media representatives who were chosen for making a positive difference in the life of the College.

Nominations must be received by Friday, March 31. To nominate a worthy candidate, submit a letter of recommendation to College Council Member Kim Ireland, College-Community Appreciation Award Committee Chair, c/o President’s Office, Miller Building, Room 408.

Dowd Obtains NEH Grant

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Following a Conservation Assessment Program survey in 2004, the gallery completed a long-range conservation plan based on the conservator’s recommendations. In 2005, the NEH awarded the gallery a Preservation Assistance Grant to upgrade collections storage and to purchase equipment to monitor gallery and storage environments.

An independent federal agency created in 1965, the NEH is the largest funder of humanities programs in the U.S. The NEH provides grants for high-quality humanities projects in four funding areas: preserving and providing access to cultural resources, education, research, and public programs. The Preservation Assistance Program helps small and mid-size institutions – libraries, museums, and historical societies, archival repositories, town and county records offices, and underserved departments and units within colleges and universities and other larger institutions – improve their ability to preserve and care for their humanities collections.

For more information, contact Racker at ext. 4216.

Take a Faculty Member to Lunch Program Reinstated

President Erik J. Bitterbaum has reinstated the Take a Faculty Member to Lunch program.

Students are encouraged to invite a faculty member to lunch and the College will provide a $5 lunch voucher for each person to eat at any dining facility on campus. After confirming a luncheon date with the faculty member, students can stop by the President’s Office, Miller Building, Room 408, to pick up the lunch vouchers.

Students are eligible to participate in the Take a Faculty Member to Lunch program once per academic year.

For more information, contact the President’s Office at ext. 2201.

Call for Participation in the POWER of Women Conference

Planet of Women for Equality and Respect (POWER) will hold its first POWER of Women Conference on Saturday, April 8, in Old Main.

Conference organizers are currently seeking students and faculty to present workshops and topics. Opportunities exist for students to build their resumes and for both faculty and students to spread their knowledge on particular issues.

Abstracts should be submitted by Wednesday, Feb. 15, to cortlandpower@yahoo.com. Abstracts must include name of presenter(s) and a short paragraph describing the intended topic.

POWER is a student feminist organization on campus that is dedicated to the plight of women worldwide. The conference will be discussing important women's issues. It is open to the public and students and faculty members from neighboring colleges are encouraged to attend.

An array of contemporary women’s issues will be presented, including but not limited to reproductive rights, the HIV/AIDS epidemic, women and men in activism, third wave feminism and feminist theories.

For more information, contact POWER by e-mail at cortlandpower@yahoo.com.

Foundation Small Grant Funds Available July 1

Funds allocated for the 2005-06 Cortland College Foundation Small Grants Program have been fully allocated. New monies for fiscal year 2006-07 will be available beginning July 1, 2006.

To request guidelines and/or applications, contact the Division of Institutional Advancement at ext. 2518 or ext. 5787.

Federal Student Aid Applications Due March 1

March 1 is the deadline for students to file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the 2006-07 academic year.

The Financial Advisement Office staff recommends that students file the FAFSA online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Benefits of filing online are as follows:

• allows the federal processor to check information before it is submitted, which cuts down on mistakes;

• speeds up the FAFSA process by three to four weeks; and

• eliminates postal service problems.

For more information, contact the Financial Advisement Office at ext. 4717 or by e-mail at finaid@cortland.edu.

Continuing Student Scholarships Available

SUNY Cortland has several continuing student scholarships available, according to Beth Langhans, financial advisement. Most of the SUNY Cortland scholarships for the 2006-07 year are due by Feb. 28.

Many applications are available online. To review a list or to download available scholarships, go to www.cortland.edu/finadv/contstudentschol.html. Applications are in Microsoft Word format.

Advisors are available in the Financial Advisement Office in Miller Building, Room 205. For more information, call ext. 4718 or e-mail Langhans at bethl@em.cortland.edu.
Filmmaker Beauchamp to Discuss Racial Murder Case

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went into town to buy some candy and soda at Bryan's Grocery and Meat Market. Eyewitnesses say that Emmett bought something from Carolyn Bryant, the proprietor's wife, walked outside and was followed by the woman. As soon as she came outside the store, Emmett turned around and "wolf-whistled" at her, according to Beauchamp.

Four days later, at 2 a.m., Roy Bryant and his half brother, J.W. Milam, armed with flashlights and Colt .45 caliber revolvers, kidnapped Emmett from bed at his uncle's cabin, shot him and dropped his mutilated body into the Tallahatchie River. Bryant and Milam were acquitted of the murder after a sham trial in which an all-white jury and the white men as well as Carolyn Bryant. Six of them are still alive.

In 2004, the U.S. Justice Department reopened the investigation of Emmett's murder, based on evidence presented in the film that the crime involved a conspiracy. As part of the probe, Emmett's grave in Chicago was exhumed for an autopsy that was never performed after his body was recovered 50 years ago.

The lecture and film are part of SUNY Cortland's celebration of Black History Month and are supported by a Campus Artist and Lecture Series (CALS) grant.

For more information, contact the Campus Activities and Corey Union Office at ext. 2321.

Faculty Senate Supports Revised Calendar Proposal

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having to quit lucrative summer jobs a week early.

Student senators reiterated their strong feelings for keeping a two-day October Break, but agreed with the change in finals week study days.

Some senators asked if other issues, such as working on Labor Day or altering the spring semester schedule, had been weighed by Bitterbaum in his decisions. He replied that faculty just recently got Labor Day off and, as a result, it wasn't a consideration, but that option and revamping the spring semester could be studied in the future.

The focus on changing the fall semester calendar had a sense of urgency. The Registrar's Office and Financial Advisement Office needed to have a decision by the end of the week to meet their responsibilities, Gradin Avery, enrollment management, informed the Senate.

Following the vote, Bitterbaum said that both the President's Cabinet and President's Council would consider the Senate's position later that week and that he would make a final decision by Friday, Feb. 3.

‘Wellness Wednesday’ Series

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On April 5, Richard Peagler, counseling and student development, will offer a workshop titled “Feel Better: Help with Depression, Stress and Insomnia.” The self-help workshop will focus on three very significant problems that can interfere with a student's academic success. Proven self-help methods will be discussed and hopefully incorporated into the participants’ lifestyle.

On April 12, Minerva Francis, a 2005 SUNY Cortland graduate, will present “A Whole New World: An Internship Experience in Nairobi, Kenya.” As a student intern, Francis worked with women infected with HIV and assisted in an AIDS prevention campaign directed toward Kenya’s youth. She will describe and show images of her unforgettable experiences in Africa.

For more information, contact Cathy Smith of the Health Promotion Office in Van Hoosen Hall, Room B-1 or at ext. 2066 or by e-mail at smithc@cortland.edu.

Faculty-Staff Activities

T. D. Fitzgerald, biological sciences, and James Costa ’85, the H. F. and Katherine P. Robinson biology professor at Western Carolina University, have an article in the current issue of the journal Annales Zoologici Fennici titled “Social Terminology Revisited: Where Are We Ten Years Later?” The paper is a follow-up to an article they coauthored in 1995 titled “Developments in Social Terminology: Semantic Battles in a Conceptual War,” published in the journal Trends in Ecology and Systematics. In these papers, the authors argue that the hierarchal scheme currently in use by entomologists to classify insect societies, with its emphasis on the eusocial insects, tends to draw attention from other forms of insect sociality. In keeping with this position, Costa has just completed a book titled The Other Insect Societies with forwards by B. Hölldobler and E. O. Wilson, to be published by Harvard University Press this spring.

Alexander G. Gonzalez, English, edited Irish Women Writers, which was published by Greenwood Press in November 2005. The book contains 75 essays written by expert scholars in the field of Irish literature. It is the only book on women writers in the field of Irish studies.

Robert Ponterio and Jean LeLoup, international communications and culture, presented a session titled “Teaching Cultural Perspective: The ‘Why’ of Products and Practices,” at the annual meeting of the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages. The presentation addressed the culture goal area of the national foreign language standards and the use of authentic materials as the basis of lessons for the foreign language (FL) classroom. LeLoup also presented a session titled “The FL Methods Course: Meeting New Challenges,” with a colleague from Ashland University. The conference was held Nov. 17-20, 2005 in Baltimore, Md.

Michael Toglia, psychology, was recently appointed to the editorial board of Applied Cognitive Psychology. His tenure began Jan. 1; terms typically run from three to five years.

Arden Zipp, chemistry, recently presented a workshop for approximately 25 advanced placement (AP) chemistry teachers in New York City. During the workshop Zipp discussed the topics covered by the AP curriculum, several laboratory experiments, and the nature of the AP Chemistry exam.
Coming Events

Tuesday, Feb. 7
Speaker: Fred Barnes, executive editor of The Weekly Standard and co-host of Fox News Channel’s “The Beltway Boys,” Old Main Brown Auditorium, 7 p.m.
Performance: Performing Arts Department’s Faculty Gala music and theatre recital, Dowd Fine Arts Theatre.
Coffeehouse/Open Mic Night: Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 8
China Documentary Film Series: “Grandpa Jing and His Old Clients,” Old Main Brown Auditorium, 4 p.m.
Speaker: “Urban Education and Politics of Syracuse, New York,” presented by Robert DiFlorio, Old Main, Room 209, 4:30 p.m.
Film and Forum: A “Diversity Film Forum” with a screening of “Race: The Power of Illusion,” Corey Union Fireplace Lounge, 4:30 p.m.
Wellness Wednesday: “Short, Tall, Black or White... We are all Multicultural,” Joseph Sanders, Multicultural Life, Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 7 p.m.

Information Session: Study abroad summer program in China, Corey Union, Rooms 201-203, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 9
Sandwich Seminar: “The Blodgett Project,” about SUNY Cortland’s partnership with an urban school, Sheila Cohen, literacy, and students. Film by Graduate Assistant Lydia Montgomery,literacy, Memorial Library, The Bookmark, noon.

Saturday, Feb. 11
Children’s Workshop: ”Wishes, Wishes, Wishes,” Suzanne Bloom, children’s book author and illustrator, SUNY Cortland Children’s Museum, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Memorial Service: For student Albert Montanaro III, O’Heron Newman Hall, 8 Calvert St., 2 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 14
Faculty Senate Meeting: Park Center Hall of Fame Room, 1:10 p.m.
Presentation: “Breaking Barriers for Muslim Women in Sport: Nawal El-Moutawakel-Bennis,” Susan Rayl, exercise science and sport studies, Corey Union Fireplace Lounge, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 15
Storytelling Workshops: Professional storyteller Sheila Arnold of Hampton, Va., will portray Martha Washington’s personal slave, Oney Judge, in two workshops, 11:30 a.m. and 12:40 p.m., Memorial Library Teaching Materials Center (TMC).
Sandwich Seminar: “Music of African American Composers,” Edward Moore and Ralph Dudgeon, performing arts, Dowd Fine Arts Theatre, 12:30 p.m.
Brooks Museum Lecture Series: “‘Butterflies of the Night’: Queer Gender and Consuming Desire at Tahiti,” Deborah Elliston, Binghamton University, Cornish Hall, Room D-304, 4:30 p.m. Reception will be held in the Brooks Museum, Cornish Hall, Room D-312, 4 p.m.

Drama Workshop: “History’s Alive,” professional development workshop on how to research and depict an historical character, professional storyteller Sheila Arnold of Hampton, Va., Park Center Hall of Fame Room, 7-8:30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 16
Siblings Weekend: Campus-wide events run through Sunday, Feb. 19