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## SUNY Cortland Plans Black History Month Celebration During February

SUNY Cortland will celebrate Black History Month throughout February with a series of events, including lectures, a film, the play "My Soul Is a Witness," musical performances, and the annual Unity Dinner.

All events are free, with the exception of the play "My Soul Is a Witness," and are open to the general public, except for the Unity Dinner.

Dinner: The eighth annual Unity Dinner begins at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 1, in the Corey Union Function Room. A half-hour reception will be followed by the dinner at 5:30 p.m., when selected student speakers will address the topic of "Unity at Cortland." Musical entertainment is planned that evening. The event is free to members of the campus community, but participants must RSVP by Wednesday, Jan. 25, by contacting Ann Cutler in the Multicultural Life Office at ext. 2336 or cutlera@cortland.edu.

Play: "My Soul Is a Witness," David Barr III's documentary play about the key people and events in the Civil Rights Movement from 1955-1968, will be performed on Wednesday, Feb. 1. Sponsored by the Campus Artists and Lecture Series, the event begins at 8 p.m. in the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre. See the complete story on page 4.

Lecture: Judith Van Buskirk, history, will discuss "Claiming Their Due: African American Revolutionary War Veterans in the 19th Century" at noon on Thursday, Feb. 2, in the Memorial Library, Bookmark café.

For more information, call Buskirk at ext. 2057.

Lecture: Mechthild Nagel, philosophy, will present her paper titled "U.S. Black Prison Intellectuals" at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 8, in Memorial Library The Bookmark. She will 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 United States in the 1970s and beyond. Nagel will highlight their views on slavery, freedom and social justice. For more information, contact African American Studies Coordinator Seth Asumah, at ext. 2064.

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#### A New Look for a New Year

For the first time in five years, The Bulletin is sporting a new look. Graphic designer Tony DeRado streamlined the publication's masthead and replaced the fonts for a more modern appearance.

The Bulletin's content, however, remains unchanged. We will continue to provide news aimed at keeping the campus community informed about the people and events at SUNY Cortland.

Questions, comments or concerns about the redesign may be directed to the Publications and Electronic Media Office at ext. 2519 or by e-mail at lundbergp@ cortland.edu.

## Students Begin Work As Hospital Scribes in New Program

Her friends were celebrating at parties or in Times Square, but SUNY Cortland student Yomi Obafemi spent New Year's Eve working at Cortland Memorial Hospital, trailing one of the emergency room doctors as a scribe.

Obafemi, a senior biological sciences major from Queens, N.Y., is part of a new Physician Scribes Program that places SUNY Cortland students interested in medical careers in the hospital's emergency room, where they help doctors document patients' visits by recording results of their physical exams. The program gives students an opportunity to work directly with patients, and in turn, frees up emergency room doctors from time-consuming paperwork.

"Being in here is such a huge rush for me," says Obafemi, describing her work during a break in the emergency room. "Before I wanted to be a doctor because I wanted to be a doctor. Now I know I can do it."

The program is one of a handful in the country that uses college students as scribes in hospital emergency rooms. It is also a first for Emergency Medicine Physicians (EMP), a Canton, Ohio, company that operates emergency rooms in 60 hospitals, including the one at Cortland Memorial, on the east and west coasts.

"We plan on taking this across our company and modeling this," said Russell Firman, M.D., an emergency room physician at Cortland Memorial and northeast regional director for EMP. "We're the fifth biggest emergency medical program in the country and this is the model program to take to all our sites."

Emergency rooms have turned to scribes over the past decade because of an increasing amount of paperwork doctors must complete to meet federal reimbursement guidelines for Medicare, said Andrew Jenis, M.D., chair of Cortland's Emergency Department. Medical malpractice suits and the need for better patient records have also driven the paperwork backlog.

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## Sherry Snell Receives 2005 President's Award for Excellence in Classified Service

Sherry Snell, who has been the SUNY Cortland Physical Education Department secretary for most of her 32 years on campus, is the 2005 recipient of the President's Award for Excellence in Classified Service.

President Erik J. Bitterbaum presented Snell with the award in Corey Union on Dec. 2, during the 36th Annual Service Recognition Ceremony sponsored by the Human Resources Office.

The award was created in 2002 to annually recognize one individual "for extraordinary achievement and to encourage the continuation of excellence." Nominees must be current SUNY Cortland full-time classified service employees with at least three years of continuous service. A supervisor, co-worker or other college community member may make nominations.

"Through my multifarious professional experiences, I have not met a professional at any level in any role who is more deserving, on all counts, of an excellence award than Sherry Snell," wrote Jerry Casciani, physical education, in his nomination letter.

Michael Kniffen, physical education, who has worked with Snell for the past two decades, said she has "shown the most consistent professional behavior of any secretary I have ever known."

"She is always pleasant, outgoing and ready to help faculty, students or parents," he added. "Her desire to help others is genuine; if she does not have an answer, she will go out of her way to find it. She knows the operating policies of our department and takes pride in promoting our department and the College at large."

Snell is praised for the monumental task of preparing the master schedule each semester for one of the largest Physical Education Departments in the nation. In that role, she schedules

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The Bulletin will next be published Monday, Feb. 6. The deadline for copy for that issue is 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 31. 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.

250 sections of classes for more than 35 faculty members in a variety of settings — classrooms, gymnasiums and specialized activity areas.

"The enormity of this task alone is incomprehensible," wrote the nominators, who added that Snell not only succeeds but does so while demonstrating "her sincere interest in the faculty she serves" by taking into account their personal needs and family responsibilities.

For decades, Snell has been a reassuring and helpful face to thousands of physical education majors. She excels in the advisement of students and for years has been the "go-to person" for faculty and students alike by providing one-on-one training or assistance to solve their problems with Banner Web, CAPP and transfer credit questions. She regularly attends workshops to improve her ability to serve the department and is frequently called upon "to decipher abnormalities on a student's CAPP which frequently requires adjustments through processing appropriate paperwork."

During the recent successful NCATE and SED reviews, Snell used her organizational and leadership skills within the department to initiate contacts with the Field Placement Office and NCATE Office. She created a student course tracking report, unofficially dubbed the "Sherry Report" by the Registrar's Office, that is now used by all teacher education programs in tracking student progress within programs.

Within the campus and community, Snell has been the Park Center SEFA volunteer for

more than 20 years and she received its 1998 Volunteer Award. Her volunteer work includes the American Cancer Society Daffodil Day, the Park Center Food Drive, the College's Make a Difference Day, Campus Blood Drive, Relay for Life, SPCA, New York State Senior Games, O'Heron Invitational Tournament, Sunset Bowling League, Wingate Memorial Golf Tournament, Undergraduate and Graduate Commencement Committees, and the Faculty, Staff and Emeritus Campaign Committee.

A veritable Park Center institution, Snell regularly unites the building's employees by organizing the biannual social gatherings of all the professional and classified staff working there. When tragedy has befallen the Park Center staff over the years, Snell has been a catalyst for fundraising to provide appropriate memorials.

A native of Cortland, Snell graduated from Cortland High School. She joined SUNY Cortland in August 1973 as a stenographer in the Education Department. In April 1976, she became a stenographer in the Educational Opportunity Program office. She began her long relationship with the Physical Education Department in November 1979, when she was promoted to senior stenographer there. She became a Secretary II in 1991.

She is married to John Snell, physical education, and has two grown children, Cheyenne and Shenandoah.

## Jennifer Janes Named Cortland Fund Director

Jennifer W. Janes of Chittenango, N.Y., a marketing professional with 14 years of experience in upstate New York, has joined SUNY Cortland's Division of Institutional Advancement as director of The Cortland Fund.

Janes, who directed alumni and parent relations at Utica College from 1999-2004, began her duties at SUNY Cortland on Dec. 5. She reports to John W. Mosser, vice president for institutional advancement.

The Cortland Fund is a newly established, convenient means for donors to make a financial gift that helps the College address its most important educational needs, puts their philanthropic dollars into the hands of students and faculty who will directly benefit from their support, and enhances and augments the scope, breadth and quality of the SUNY Cortland educational experience.

As director of The Cortland Fund, Janes serves as the chief annual fund officer of the College and assists in developing activities to steward and acknowledge donors to The Cortland Fund at all levels. She is responsible for designing, planning, implementing and shepherding a comprehensive annual giving program that will maximize gift revenues to support SUNY Cortland. The program includes leadership-level personal solicitations, reunion giving, the Call Center, the faculty and staff campaign, parent fund raising, regional business, targeted solicitations for "friends of" programs and stewardship of annual gifts.

"We are delighted by the appointment of Jennifer Janes as the first director of The Cortland Fund," Mosser said. "Jennifer brings a rich background of experiences to this position. She is a SUNY graduate and aware of the exceptional educational programs of the SUNY system. Her background in alumni and parent programs, special events, direct mail, telemarketing and volunteer management will enable her to bring both a wealth of professional experience and a fresh look to the College's unrestricted and designated annual giving

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## Faculty Senate Endorses Strengthened Campus-Based Assessment Proposal

The Faculty Senate, at its final meeting of the Fall 2005 semester, endorsed a strengthened campus-based assessment proposal for SUNY Cortland that grew out of a June 2004 SUNY Board of Trustees initiative.

David Barclay, geology, chair of the Senate's General Education (GE) Committee, presented the proposal at the Dec. 13 meeting in Corey Union Exhibition Lounge.

His committee developed the proposal in conjunction with Shawn Van Etten, director of the Institutional Research and Assessment Office. They received input and support from Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Elizabeth Davis-Russell, Associate Provost for Academic Affairs Nancy Aumann, Dean of Arts and Sciences Mark Prus, and several ad hoc faculty groups.

SUNY specifically asked each campus to provide externally referenced measures to be used in the assessment of mathematics, basic communication/writing and critical thinking/reasoning. A second part of the request was to measure the level of student engagement in academic activities.

"Cortland fully embraces this effort and is keen to gain a better understanding of the skills and competencies acquired by our students in these foundational areas, as a result of participation in our General Education program," wrote the SUNY Cortland presenters in their report.

Strengthened campus-based assessment will take place within the framework of the current three-year cycle of assessment. The assessment of the three designated areas will be primarily course-embedded. The first assessment with the new instruments described in the proposal will take place in Fall 2006.

With regard to measuring student engagement in academic activities, SUNY Cortland will administer the National Survey of Student Engagement at the end of the Spring 2007 semester.

In other action, the Faculty Senate passed two other resolutions at the urging of the SUNY Faculty Senate.

The first stated that campus governance organizations should be formally consulted and involved before an interim president is appointed. The resolution, which is being passed at other SUNY campuses as well, emerged in the wake of SUNY Potsdam having outgoing SUNY Chancellor Robert King appointed by SUNY

as the school's interim president without the input from campus government there.

The second Faculty Senate resolution offered support for the faculty at the New York State College of Ceramics (NYSCC), a SUNY campus, located at Alfred University. Specifically, the resolution supports SUNY and its Board of Trustees "in their efforts to restore the College's SUNY identity and integrity of the College's governance as originally intended by the laws establishing the statutory colleges."

The resolution supports "a stand-alone NYSCC unit head in the college that is a spilt appointment by SUNY and Alfred University," and that the NYSCC faculty formally participate in the search for that unit head. The motion calls for "meaningful shared governance" and supports SUNY representation on the Alfred University Board of Trustees.

## College Council to Meet

The SUNY Cortland College Council will hold its next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, Jan. 23, at 4 p.m. in Miller Building, Room 405.

The agenda includes a discussion of the Undergraduate Research Initiative Audit by Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Elizabeth Davis-Russell and an update on the SUNY Cortland Master Plan by Vice President for Finance and Management William Shaut.

College Council members will also hear reports by Council Chair Stephen Hunt, President Erik J. Bitterbaum, Faculty Senate Chair Joseph Rayle, foundations and social advocacy, and Student Government Association President Mary Kate Boland.

Prior to the meeting at 3:15 p.m., Council members will get an overview of campus-wide technology and its uses, as well as learn about new initiatives. Presenters include Paula Warnken, information resources; Gail Wood, library; Lisa Kahle, academic computing; and George Ver Dow, classroom media services.

# Catherine Bertini, Former U.N. Hunger Relief Official, Will Speak at Feb. 2 Community Roundtable

Catherine Bertini, a Cortland resident who served for a decade as the executive director of the United Nation (UN)'s World Food Program (WFP), will discuss "Success Stories of Humanitarian Relief" during a community roundtable on Thursday, Feb. 2.

The roundtable takes place between 8-9 a.m. in the Park Center Hall of Fame Room. Sponsored by the President's Office and the Center for Educational Exchange (CEE), the event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served at 7:45 a.m.

CEE director Virginia Marty will introduce the speaker. A question-and-answer period will follow the presentation.

During the roundtable, Bertini will share her firsthand insight from her experiences in humanitarian relief from 1992 to 2002, when she served in Rome, Italy, as the first female WFP executive director. She will also screen images of her hunger and disaster relief projects as well as the populations in crisis. The photos were captured by her husband, professional photographer Tom Haskell.

"I'm going to talk about several successful humanitarian relief efforts, ones that people have heard about," Bertini said, referring to her work in Southern Africa, Afghanistan and North Korea. "I'll discuss them not only in terms of the humanitarian relief provided to help save lives, but also the long term political stability that we provided."

As executive director of the WFP, she oversaw the largest humanitarian agency in the world, leading the organization to assist hundreds of millions of victims of wars and natural disasters throughout the world. During her tenure, the institutional changes of the WFP were cited as a model of UN reform. In 1996, the Times of London Magazine listed her as one of "The World's Most Powerful Women." She was named World Food Prize 2003 Laureate in recognition of her leadership role in assisting hundreds of millions of victims of wars and natural disasters throughout the world. The Republic of Italy honored Bertini with its Order of Merit, and the Association of African Journalists awarded her its Prize of Excellence.

From January 2003 until early 2005, she served as under-secretary-general for management of the United Nations. Appointed by UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan, she was the senior American official in the UN Secretariat with the primary responsibility for administering the organization's human, financial and physical resources. Responsible for the UN's \$3 billion biennial budget, she also oversaw security for 9,000 staff members. A member of Annan's cabinet, she participated in the UN systemwide Chief Executives Board and chaired its Management Committee.

In early 2005, Bertini accepted a position as professor of public administration in Syracuse

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## Hollywood-Themed Entertainment Feb. 11 Will Support Scholarship

SUNY Cortland's Division of Student Affairs will host a Hollywood-themed event titled "A Scene to Remember" on Saturday, Feb. 11, for its second annual fundraiser to support a student affairs scholarship program.

Members of the campus community and the public are invited to walk the red carpet and view six different popular movie scenes between 7-11 p.m. in the Corey Union Function Room, said organizer Sue Vleck, residential services.

Tickets to the event cost \$25 each and can be obtained by e-mail at suev@em.cortland.edu or by telephone at ext. 2095. Seating is limited at the event. Tables seating up to 10 may be reserved in advance.

Featuring music by local disk jockey Phil Connery, the blockbuster evening will feature a silent auction, movie star cameos, games of chance, hors d'oeuvres and desserts.

The fundraiser will support the Vice President for Student Affairs Merit Award, presented to a student or students who have made a significant contribution to the quality of student life in the campus community by continued demonstration of leadership and participation in student life programs and activities.

Eligible applicants for the \$500 award must have a minimum 2.5 grade point average and be free of any recent disciplinary record.

"This second annual fundraiser will help to provide financial assistance to a SUNY Cortland student who is actively involved in the community," Vleck said. "Last year's event collected more than \$1,000, enough to assist two deserving students. This year, with your help, can be even more successful!"

Last spring, Danielle Vegas '05 and Michele Paladino '05 each received the Merit Award. John Falbo '04 earned the distinction in 2004; Matthew Barone '03 in 2003; and Erica Boden '03 in 2002.

### Fred Barnes, Conservative Columnist, to Speak on Feb. 7

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."

Since its publication, the book has been praised by liberal and conservative journalists. NPR Senior Correspondent Juan Williams declares, "Only Fred Barnes, with his clear conservative credentials and unique access to the president, could write this book," while

syndicated columnist Robert D. Novak writes, "This is must-reading for Bush backers and Bush bashers alike."

Barnes began his journalism career as a reporter for *The Charleston News and Courier* in South Carolina. After covering the Supreme Court and the White House for *The Washington Star*, he joined *The Baltimore Sun* as a national political correspondent in 1979. Six years later, he became senior editor and White House correspondent for *The New Republic*. He was also a panelist for the public affairs show "The McLaughlin Group" from 1988 to 1998.

Barnes was one of the three panelists quizzing President Reagan and challenger Walter Mondale in the first nationally televised debate of the 1984 presidential campaign. He is now a political contributor at FOX News and is co-host, along with Mort Kondracke, of "The Beltway Boys," broadcast on the Fox News Channel. He also appears regularly on "Fox's Special Report" with Brit Hume, a weeknight political program on cable.

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

## 'My Soul Is a Witness' Will Be Presented Feb. 1

The key people and events of the civil rights movement come alive in SUNY Cortland's production of the documentary play, "My Soul Is a Witness," at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1, in the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre.

Now on a 30-city national tour, the play portrays 25 central events in the period between 1955, the year of the Montgomery bus boycott, and 1968, the year of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination. Among the figures of the civil rights movement depicted in the play are King, Rosa Parks, John Lewis, President John F. Kennedy, Malcolm X and the freedom fighters who tried to register African-American voters.

Tickets are \$5 for general admission and \$3 for SUNY Cortland faculty and staff. Students attend free. For tickets or more information contact the Campus Activities and Corey Union Office at ext. 2321.

"My Soul Is a Witness" was written by award-winning Chicago playwright David Bar III, who has had 11 works produced for the stage. His play, "The State of Mississippi vs. Emmett Till," written with Emmett's mother, Mamie Till Mobley, has been adapted into a screenplay that was purchased by Fox Searchlight as a major feature film.

Punctuated by gospel and protest songs, "My Soul Is a Witness" is presented by the JENA Company of New York, which has received rave reviews for its performances. The Chicago Tribune wrote, "David Barr's characters always reveal the strength of his convictions . . . He is a name to watch."

The performance is part of the College's monthlong celebration of Black History Month, which includes a series of films and lectures given by faculty and visiting scholars.

The play is sponsored by the Campus Artists and Lecture Series and the Multicultural Life Office.

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## Spring 2006 Bulletin Schedule

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## Performing Arts Department Spring Semester Events Listed

The lineup of music and theatre events presented by the Performing Arts Department during the spring semester begins with the annual Faculty Gala on Tuesday, Feb. 7, in the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre. Members of the department's faculty will present musical and theatrical pieces.

Gilbert and Sullivan's perennial favorite, "The Mikado," will be featured in six performances beginning on March 31. This musical satire about Japan and Victorian Era Britain is directed by Thomas Hischak with musical direction by David Neal and designs by Howard Lindh and Joel Pape. Performance dates are also April 1, 2, 7, 8 and 9. Tickets go on sale on March 1.

April also includes two music concerts. The College-Community Orchestra, under the direction of Ralph Dudgeon, perform on Tuesday, April 18, and the College Singers, under the direction of Stephen Wilson, on Tuesday, April 25.

The annual student-directed One-Act Play Festival, featuring a repertory of short contemporary plays, will be held in the Dowd Fine Arts Lab Theatre May 4-7. The spring season concludes with a concert of classical choral music by the Choral Union, conducted by Wilson, on Tuesday, May 9.

All events, except "The Mikado," are free admission.

# Exhibit 'What Is, What Shall Be, What Might Have Been' Will Open at Dowd Fine Arts Gallery on Jan. 31

Past, present, and future collide in the Dowd Fine Art Gallery's exhibition "What Is, What Shall Be, What Might Have Been: The Art of Kahn and Selesnick." It will open on Tuesday, Jan. 31, and run through March 18.

Featuring photographs, drawings, and sculpture by collaborators Nicholas Kahn and Richard Selesnick from three recent series – "Scotlandfuturebog," "City of Salt" and "The Apollo Prophecies," this is the first compendium exhibition of works by these internationally renowned artists.

The artists will present a gallery talk at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 31. A reception and book signing will follow. The recently published Aperture book, *City of Salt*, will be available for purchase at the gallery. All programs are free and open to the public.

Nicholas Kahn and Richard Selesnick became internationally recognized more than a decade ago for their fictitious, narrative photographs that Kahn describes as "history experiments." They created the primitive, futuristic world of Scotlandfuturebog in response to widespread apocalyptic fears caused by the approaching millennium. Begun before Sept. 11, "City of Salt," the story of nine brothers of business in the Middle East who have sold their souls for poisonous barrels of black gold, became a direct political commentary after the terrorist attack. In "The Apollo Prophecies," they mix fact and fiction to create a bizarre Edwardian journey to the moon, reminiscent of Jules Verne. Eerie and stylish, these inventive images skew our sense of photographic truth as they explore the nexus between discovered and invented history.

Government censorship and misinformation, militarism, corporate greed, bigotry and apathy all come under scrutiny in Kahn and Selesnick's visions. Selesnick writes of "City of Salt," "We were horrified by what was going on in the world and so were forced to take a hard look at the relationship between the East and the West, and some of the themes and cultural misunderstandings we were dealing with... or even helping to perpetuate." In Kahn's words, they were now walking "on that strange kind of cutting edge between humor and spirituality and

serious political commentary." Catalog essayist David Haycock of Oxford, England, writes, "Kahn and Selesnick point out to us the irony that when the real world is itself the fictional creation of politicians, when truth is concealed behind propaganda, what then is artifice?"

Nicholas Kahn, born in New York City, and Richard Selesnick, born in London, met in 1982 as undergraduate students at the University of Washington in St. Louis and have been collaborating ever since. Their work is held in the collections of The National Portrait Gallery, Smithsonian Institution, Brooklyn Museum of Art, Houston Museum of Fine Arts, Fogg Museum of Art, Philadelphia Museum of Art, TIME magazine, Aperture magazine, Microsoft, and many private collections. Among the galleries that represent them are Yancey Richardson Gallery in New York, Paul Kopeikin Gallery in Los Angeles, Carl Hammer Gallery in Chicago, and Pepper Gallery in Boston. In 2002 Aperture published Scotlandfuturebog, a limited edition hardcover book, which won the best photography book of the year award at the New York Book Show. In 2005 Aperture published City of Salt.

Kahn and Selesnick were artists-in-residence at Princeton University, Djerassi Foundation, and Addison Gallery of American Art.

Included in their bibliography are *C Magazine*, *Photography Quarterly, The New York Times* (8), *The Boston Globe* (6), *Arts Media* (3), *TIME* magazine, *Art in America*, *Art News*, and *The Art Newspaper*.

Organized by the Dowd Fine Arts Gallery, "What Is, What Shall Be, What Might Have Been" is supported, in part, by Auxiliary Services Corporation, the Mandatory Student Fee and the Cortland College Foundation.

Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. A 20-page color catalog featuring images from the three series, an essay by David Boyd Haycock and an interview with Nicholas Kahn, is available at the gallery free of charge while supplies last.

For more information, contact Dowd Fine Arts Gallery Director Barbara Racker at ext. 4216 or rackerb@cortland.edu.





## \$32,050 in Study Abroad Awards Distributed

After four months of taking classes and teaching in Australia, senior Robyn Blackmore has one piece of advice for students entering college: study abroad.

"It was just overall the most amazing experience in the entire world," said Blackmore, a special education major from Niskayuna, N.Y. "It's just one of those experiences that you can't even put into words."

At the University of the Sunshine Coast in Queensland, Blackmore spent six weeks taking courses on Australian education and history. She then worked as a student teacher in a second-grade classroom that had six special needs students, in a school associated with the university.

What made it easier for Blackmore to finance her study abroad was the \$1,750 scholarship she received from SUNY Cortland's Overseas Academic Program (OAP). Blackmore is one of 36 SUNY Cortland students who have received \$32,050 in scholarships to offset the cost of their studies in a foreign country since last summer.

The OAP awards, given every semester since 1993, are presented to SUNY Cortland students based on their academic and volunteer achievement as well as financial need. Recipients receive \$1,000 for a full semester abroad, \$450 for the winter session and between \$400 for three credits of study and \$750 for six credits of study for the summer session.

Besides the OAP awards, SUNY Cortland offers two other scholarships to students for overseas studies: the Uschald Scholarship, a \$1,000 grant named for Willi A. Uschald, professor emeritus of foreign languages and director emeritus of international programs; and the Kevin A. Rowell '83 Award, a \$1,500 grant named after SUNY Cortland graduate Kevin A. Rowell '83.

Recent recipients of study abroad scholarships at SUNY Cortland include:

#### OAP Scholarships, Spring 2006:

- Elyse Loughlin, a junior physical education major from Cairo, N.Y., for study in Ballarat, Australia
- Colleen McCarthy, a junior political science major from Syracuse, N.Y., for study in Italy
- Sara Boulanger, a senior social studies major from Rome, N.Y., for study in Kenya, Africa
- Bryan Dombrowski, a junior childhood education major from Oakdale, N.Y., for study at the University of the Sunshine Coast

- Patrick Duffany, a senior sport management major from Croghan, N.Y., for study in Cologne, Germany
- Jeannette Luther, a junior childhood education major from Endicott, N.Y., for study at the University of the Sunshine Coast
- David Alvarado, a junior history major from Port Washington, N.Y., for study in Salamanca, Spain

#### OAP Scholarships, Winter 2006:

- Brent Sears, a junior adolescence education: Spanish major from Homer, N.Y., for study in Cuernavaca, Mexico
- Jennifer Ayres, a senior adolescence education: Spanish major from Deposit, N.Y., for study in Cuernavaca

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### **Community Roundtable**

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University's Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs. She currently teaches graduate level courses on Humanitarian Action, Managing International Organizations, and Girls and Education. Bertini has also joined the board of the Tupperware Corporation.

Bertini, who grew up in the Cortland area, earned her bachelor's degree in political science from SUNY at Albany and was a fellow at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard. She has received honorary degrees from nine universities in four countries, including from SUNY Cortland in 1999 presented at that year's Commencement ceremonies.

For more information on the Community Roundtable series, call the CEE at ext. 4214.

## Senior Kate Ciraulo Earns Junior Fellowship in American Academy of Political and Social Science

Kate Ciraulo, a senior from Troy, N.Y., has been named a junior fellow of the American Academy of Political and Social Science.

Ciraulo is one of 130 undergraduates from colleges across the country selected as fellows by the academy, an interdisciplinary society that promotes the study and use of social science knowledge in the development of public policy.

As a fellow, Ciraulo can submit a research paper to a competition held by the academy, which will select up to 10 undergraduate papers to recognize at its annual symposium.

A political science and international studies major, Ciraulo plans to enter a paper on the 20th-century cultural history of Sweden, which she researched while living in Stockholm last summer. She wrote the paper for her senior seminar class in international studies.

"She's just a remarkable Cortland student," said Sharon R. Steadman, international studies, who nominated Ciraulo to the academy. "She researches and writes at a very high level – at the graduate student level – and will be a wonderful representative of our College."

Ciraulo, who has a 3.93 grade point average, said she was surprised to learn that she had been named a fellow. Although she had never heard of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, she admitted, "It's nice to be recognized for any accomplishment and to know that people see potential in you."

The academy selects its undergraduate fellows based on three criteria listed on its Web site:

"an outstanding grasp of a discipline's theories and methods, as demonstrated through prior coursework in the student's major department; an enthusiasm for understanding social issues; and the promise of making substantial contributions to the social sciences in the future."

At SUNY Cortland, Ciraulo won the William Rogers Memorial Excellence in Political Science Award, presented to a senior with the highest overall grade point average. She has made the Dean's List every semester, the President's List since Fall 2004, and has been inducted into the Phi Eta Sigma freshman honor society and into the Phi Kappa Phi honor society. She has also been a member of the women's ice hockey team since her freshman year.

"Kate's work and work ethic mark her as one of our many really good students with intellectual drive and a lively curiosity about the larger world around us," said Henry J. Steck, political science.

After studying for a semester last year in Siena, Italy, Ciraulo became proficient in Italian. She also speaks German and some Swedish.

Ciarualo will apply to the master's program at Uppsula University in Sweden to study European culture. She eventually wants to earn a Ph.D. in comparative politics.

A graduate of Troy High School, Ciraulo is the daughter of Sam and Loretta Ciraulo of Troy. January 23, 2006  $\mathbf{B}^{\text{\tiny TILLETIN}}$  7

## Students Learn Arabic Language, Culture

When Lauren Sikora, a sophomore international studies major at SUNY Cortland, was looking for a new language to master, she chose Arabic. This fall, she completed an introductory course offered through the Sociology and Anthropology Department.

"I love the challenge," said Sikora of Lake Ronkonkoma, N.Y., who has also studied Spanish and Chinese with an eye on an international-related career. She'll take the next level Arabic class when it is offered this semester.

Meanwhile, Sikora stood before 13 classmates and guests at the SUNY Cortland Alumni House in mid-December when she gave her oral final presentation. She spoke standard (colloquial) Arabic confidently and listened politely while her classmates read or recited their personal essays, each a final exam written in elegant Arab script.

With their instructor, Professor Emeritus Nick Gavrielides, the students then sampled a Middle Eastern buffet and toasted the completion of the course. Due to its growing popularity, an Intermediate Arabic II course will be offered at least through Spring 2007, enabling some of this group the option to complete their language requirement for graduation.

"There's interest in the Middle East these days with the Iraq War and all," explained Gavrielides. "Then there are people who will take the class for the love of it."

Faisal Jamaluddin, a senior psychology major from Bellmore, N.Y., is such a student.

"At SUNY Cortland, there have been classes that appeal to all others, and finally there is something that appealed to me, too," said Jamaluddin, a first-generation American whose parents emigrated from Pakistan. "The class has nothing to do with my major. It's there and I had the time to do it.

"I know Urdu somewhat, but Arabic is to Urdu as Latin is to English," Jamaluddin said. "My knowledge was pretty basic, I was not fluent in Arabic. My folks are happy I'm taking the classes."

Most of the students have already mastered a second language, but it's usually one that shares a Latin base with English as well as many European customs. "It opens your eyes to a new way of thinking," said Jeffrey Perreault of Cortland, a junior dual major in international studies and history who has also studied French. "You can't really learn a language without knowing the culture." For instance, Arabs consider it an insult to give an open-handed wave or to show one's foot or sole to another, he said. Perreault will take the spring class and plans trips next summer to France and Morocco.

"It's a completely different language and culture," said Christopher Allen, a junior political science major from Kirkville, N.Y. "I came in as a greenhorn, but I'm definitely taking four semesters of the class. I'm interested in law enforcement and the Secret Service after I finish college. This class could pay off in the future, especially with world politics as it is."

"I had taken Spanish all through school, but I thought this would apply to my field more," said Joshua Kelly, a senior business economics major from Hudson Falls, N.Y. "It was very different from any foreign language I was exposed to before. It was interesting and I learned a lot."

Gavrielides, who has taught the course three times, will hand the Spring 2006 class to a new instructor, Talat Okby of Vestal, N.Y. A retired librarian with a Master of Library and Information Science from SUNY Albany and a bachelor's degree from Cairo University in Egypt, Okby has devoted much of his career to American library and information management-related projects in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates.

For more information, contact Sharon Steadman, coordinator of the international studies program, at ext. 2726.

### College to Screen 2003 Film 'The Snow Walker' on Jan. 26

The Canadian film "The Snow Walker," a fictional account of survival on the remote Arctic tundra, will be shown on Thursday, Jan. 26.

Presented by the College's Native American Studies Program, the movie begins at 7 p.m. in Old Main Brown Auditorium. The film, which is free and open to the public, continues the Native American Film Series, sponsored by a grant from the Auxiliary Services Corporation. Rated PG, the film runs 103 minutes.

Shot in Rankin Inlet, Nunavut, "The Snow Walker" was nominated for nine Genie Awards including Best Picture when it came out in 2003. The film is based on one short story in *The Snow Walker* collection written in the 1970s by the renowned Canadian author, Farley Mowat. Charles Martin Smith wrote the screenplay and directed the movie, praised by *The Toronto Sun* as "storytelling at its finest."

Set in the 1950s, the film is about Charlie Halliday, a World War II soldier turned bush pilot out of Yellow Knife, Northwest Territories, Canada. Halliday, played by Barry Pepper, is on a routine job ferrying cargo when he picks up a sick Inuit woman named Kanaalaq, portrayed by Annabella Piugattuk. As the two begin the plane ride home, engine troubles ensue and the plane goes down, stranding the pair in the middle of the vast and desolate Arctic outback. What follows is an amazing story of two people struggling to survive in the Canadian Arctic. They experience love, redemption and an overcoming of prejudices as they fight to live and travel across vast spaces where survival is impossible without knowledge of the land.

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

### Rich Barnes Named Interim Men's Lacrosse Coach

Former Red Dragon standout Rich Barnes will serve as Cortland's interim men's lacrosse head coach for the 2006 season. He replaces Lelan Rogers, who left after five seasons to become the newly-created director of men's lacrosse operations at Syracuse University.

Barnes re-joined the Cortland coaching staff as an assistant and team's defensive coordinator in 2005. Barnes was an All-America goalie for the Red Dragons in 1988 and 1989 and was the team's Red Letter Award winner in 1989. He was also a junior college All-American in 1987 at Herkimer Community College.

Barnes earned a bachelor's degree from Cortland in 1989 and a master's degree in 1991. He has served as an assistant coach at Cortland twice previously, in 1990 and 1996. He also was as an assistant at Ithaca College from 1991-92 and 1998-2004. The Bombers advanced to the national semifinals in both 1992 and 2002.

A 1985 graduate of Cortland High School, Barnes earned all-league lacrosse honors three times for the Purple Tigers. He served as the junior varsity head coach at Homer High School from 1993-95 and is currently employed in the Homer Central School District.

Barnes resides in Cortland with his wife, Sue, a 1990 SUNY Cortland graduate and former Red Dragon softball player, and their two children.





## Ram Chaturvedi Retires; Physics Department Member Since Its Inception 40 Years Ago

Ram P. Chaturvedi, a Distinguished Service Professor and member of the SUNY Cortland Physics Department faculty for 40 years, retired from the College on Jan. 22. He will be awarded the designation of Distinguished Service Professor emeritus of physics.

One of the last remaining direct links to SUNY Cortland's transformation to a College of Arts and Sciences in the early 1960s, Chaturvedi joined the Physics Department in September 1965, a year after the department was created and the first year that freshmen were admitted to the new program.

A native of Chandikara, India, Chaturvedi endured prejudice in the 1940s as an Indian pursuing a college education in his native country after its hard-fought independence from Great Britain. He received scholarships to attend Agra University in Agra, India, where he earned a bachelor's degree in physics, chemistry and math, and a master's degree in physics. He joined the faculty there as a lecturer in physics from 1955-59.

In 1963, Chaturvedi earned a Ph.D. with distinction in nuclear physics from the

University of British Columbia in Vancouver. He returned to India for a year to supervise and teach graduate students as an assistant professor at Panjab University in Chandigarh. He came to the U.S. on a fellowship in 1964 to conduct post-doctoral research at SUNY Buffalo.

Chaturvedi joined the newly created Physics Department in 1965 as an associate professor. He was granted tenure the following year. SUNY Cortland was expanding its new science building, Bowers Hall, at the time and Chaturvedi used his expertise in operating the 400 kev Van de Graaf while teaching courses in atomic and nuclear physics and at the upper division laboratories.

His research interests in the same disciplines have been pursued during his sabbatical leaves and summer work at Cornell University, Henan Normal University in Xinxiang, China, T.W. Bonner Laboratories at Rice University, Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Tennessee, the Brookhaven National Laboratory, the Argonne National Laboratory and at the Pacific Northwest Laboratory. He also conducted research on the history of nuclear power in

India. In 1987, he was a visiting professor at SUNY Albany.

The recipient of several grants from various organizations, including the National Science Foundation, the Department of Defense and the SUNY Research Foundation, Chaturvedi has co-authored more than 20 scholarly papers published in national and international journals, He has also presented more than 70 papers at professional meetings.

For decades, Chaturvedi has been actively involved in faculty governance, both at SUNY Cortland and within the State University of New York. He served on the SUNY Faculty Senate's Graduate Academic Programs and Research Committee, the Undergraduate Academic Programs and Policies Committee, the Program and Awards Committee, and the University Operations Committee. He twice chaired the College's Faculty Senate.

Chaturvedi was without equal in bringing prominent scientists to campus as speakers. He helped to organize many lecture series at SUNY Cortland, including the symposium on "Nuclear Weapons: History and Proliferation," the Albert Einstein Centennial Celebration, The Ralph Bunche Centennial Celebration, the Ken Reynolds Memorial Lectures Series, and the Arts and Science Distinguished Lecture Series held in conjunction with the College's 125th anniversary celebration.

Promoted to professor in 1970, Chaturvedi was awarded the title of Distinguished Service Professor by the SUNY Board of Trustees in 1988. In 1991, he was presented the State of New York and United University Professions Excellence Award. He chaired the Physics Department from 1981-88 and was acting chair in 1999.

He has been a member of several scientific societies, including serving as president of the New York State chapter of American Association of Physics Teachers in 1991-92. An adviser to the Society of Physics Students for more than 15 years, he was named the Outstanding Chapter Advisor for the regional chapter in 1987. He was a catalyst within the campus chapter of Sigma Xi, the national scientific research society, and served as its president. In 1986, the Cortland College Student Association presented him with its Outstanding Faculty Member Award.

He and his wife, Saroj, reside in Cortland. They have two grown daughters, Anjali and Anupama.

## William C. Lane, Sociology/Anthropology, Retired Jan. 5

William C. Lane, the founder of SUNY Cortland's Center for Aging and Human Services and a sociology professor since 1980, retired from the College on Jan. 5. He has been awarded the designation of associate professor emeritus of sociology.

An expert in the field of gerontology, Lane conducted research that helped develop state and federal policies relating to retirement, health care for the elderly, treatment of dementia patients and the infusion of aging content into the K-12 curriculum.

In 1997, Lane founded the Center for Aging and Human Services, which promotes the study of gerontology and human services, and served as its first director. For more than 20 years, Lane also coordinated the social gerontology program at the College, which was recognized as a model program by the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education.

At SUNY Cortland, Lane taught the introduction to social gerontology course for 25 years. He also taught the senior seminar in human services and courses in urban and community sociology. He was one of the first faculty members to teach courses using two-way interactive television simultaneously to students

at the Cortland campus and at the Mohawk Valley Graduate Center in Rome, N.Y. He plans to continue to present workshops on this issue.

A native of Springfield, Mo., Lane earned his bachelor's degree and his master's degree in sociology from Pittsburg (Kan.) State University. He received his Ph.D. in sociology from Kansas State University in Manhattan. His dissertation focused on faculty retirement and he later contributed to national panels that first studied raising the retirement age of faculty from 65 to 70 and finally to eliminating a mandatory retirement age entirely.

Lane began his academic career as an assistant professor of sociology at Shippensburg (Pa.) State College in 1979. He joined the SUNY Cortland Sociology/Anthropology Department as an assistant professor the following year and was promoted to associate professor in 1985. Lane was active in the faculty senate and served on several Presidential task forces, including one that studied the freshman experience and one that studied how to improve services to nontraditional students.

During his tenure at SUNY Cortland, Lane received two post-doctoral research fellowships

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## Dorothy Troike, Faculty Member Since 1975, Retired Dec. 30

Dorothy R. Troike, the founding chair of the Literacy Department and a faculty member since 1975, retired from the College on Dec. 30. She has been awarded the designation of professor emerita of literacy.

In the last 15 years, Troike led an effort to establish programs to teach young adult literature at the Capital Normal University in Beijing, China. During her tenure at SUNY Cortland, she traveled to China five times to give presentations to both students and Chinese teachers of English at the teacher's college in Beijing.

Troike, who lives in Cortland, focused her research on young adult literature and reading pedagogy. After retiring, she plans to continue her consulting work with the Capital Normal University and write a book, *Teaching New York State History from a Literacy Perspective*.

A native of Ridgefield, N.J., Troike graduated from Ridgefield Memorial High School and earned a bachelor's degree in English and history from Hope College in Holland, Mich. She received a master's degree in reading education from Indiana University and a Ph.D. in reading education from Syracuse University.

Troike began her teaching career at West Ottawa High School in Michigan in 1966. Later that year, she taught at Ridgefield Memorial High School and the following year at the Cresskill High School in New Jersey. Troike then worked as a reading specialist in Falls Church, Va., from 1969-71 and was coordinator of reading services in the same district from 1971-73.

Troike joined the faculty at SUNY Cortland as an instructor in 1975. Two years later, she was appointed an assistant professor and, in 1981, she became an associate professor. She was promoted to the rank of professor in 1992. She served as chair of the Education Department from 1986-88 and as acting chair in 1996. She became the interim chair of the newly created Literacy Department in 2002-03 and served as chair in 2004-05.

At SUNY Cortland, Troike developed several new courses, including "Young Adult Literature," and "African-American Literature for Children and Young Adults." In 1993-94, she chaired a committee that presented a conference on "125 Years of Children's Literature," which was part of SUNY Cortland's 125th anniversary celebration.

In 1982, Troike took her first sabbatical to travel to Beijing, where she taught English as a Second Language to first- and second-year Chinese students and presented a series of lectures on reading methodology to Chinese teachers of English. She returned to China four more times as a guest of the English Department at Capital Normal University in Beijing, lecturing and consulting on the topic of young adult literature.

Troike served as president of the New York State Reading Association from 1998-99 and during her tenure, she initiated and helped develop the first local International Reading Association Council in China. In 1994, she was the coordinator of the New York State Reading Association Conference held in the Catskills. She was president of the Seven Valley Reading Council, a local board affiliated with the International Reading Association. Through

the New York State Education Department, she served as a member of the Regents College Examination Committee for Reading Instruction in the Elementary School from 1990-93 and 1996-98.

During her teaching career, she presented numerous lectures and workshops on reading pedagogy at education conferences throughout the country. Her scholarly articles have appeared in Elementary English, Language Arts, The English Record, Media & Methods, New York State Reading Association, Delaware English Journal and Language and Literacy Spectrum. Her work on African-American Literature for young adults was published in a book, Masterplots II: Juvenile and Young Adult Fiction.

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from the Gerontology Society of America. As part of his 1987 fellowship, Lane also received funding from the U.S. Administration on Aging to conduct a study of the demographic and cultural characteristics of the elderly population of Delaware, Greene, Sullivan and Ulster Counties in New York. His study, based on interviews with 357 retires, was published in 1988 and resulted in efforts by the state to develop better rural health care services and to expand tax benefits for the elderly.

Lane conducted several other studies funded by state and federal agencies. In 2000, he participated in research under a grant from the National Association of Museums and Libraries to determine how the cultural resources of a museum could be used to improve the quality of family visits to Alzheimer's patients in nursing homes in the Albany area. In 2003, Lane received a grant from the New York State Department of Aging to establish support programs for grandparents raising grandchildren in 12 counties.

While at SUNY Cortland, Lane wrote chapters for two books: Aging: Issues and Policies for the 1980s (Preager Press, 1985) and Seniors in Higher Education: Development Opportunities (Universite du Quebec a Hull, 1991). His scholarly work appeared in numerous publications, including Mid-American Review of Sociology, Black Aging, Educational Considerations, Home Health Care Services Quarterly, and Gerontology and Geriatrics Education. Lane also wrote several research reports on the issues of aging, retirement and treatment of nursing home residents for various county and state agencies in New York and

Pennsylvania. During his career, he presented numerous papers and chaired or organized 36 workshops at state, national and international conferences.

Lane is a past president of The State Society on Aging of New York (SSA) and Sigma Phi Omega, the National Academic Honor and Professional Society in Gerontology. He is also the former national treasurer for both Sigma Phi Omega and the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education. In 1996, he received the Walter M. Beattie Jr. Award for Distinguished Service in Aging from SSA for his outstanding teaching, research and service to the field of gerontology.

Active in several organizations in Cortland that serve the elderly, Lane is a founding member and former president of the Cortland Council on Long Term Care. He also served on the advisory board of the Area Agency on Aging for the past 25 years.

In retirement, Lane, who lives in Homer, N.Y., has become a managing partner of GoldenLane Associates, Inc., a gerontological consulting firm in Glenmont, N.Y. The firm has been involved in improving the quality of care to nursing home residents with Alzheimer's disease, establishing caregiver resource centers for local aging agencies and developing single point of entry systems into the long-term care system. Currently, he is involved in the expansion of consumer directed home care programs and in the expansion of long term care insurance counseling centers in several counties. He plans to remain professionally active by continuing to conduct research, publish and present findings at professional meetings.





## Phi Kappa Phi Scholars Announced for December, January

Ashley L. Bauer of Lowville, N.Y., a senior physical education major, was SUNY Cortland's Phi Kappa Phi Scholar of the month for December.

Emily Fisher of Webster, N.Y., a junior political science major, has been named the College's Phi Kappa Phi Scholar of the month for January.

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.

Bauer, who will graduate magna cum laude in December, has maintained a 3.68 grade point average. She has made the Dean's List every semester since she transferred to SUNY Cortland from Jefferson Community College in 2003. She graduated from Beaver River High School in Beaver Falls, N.Y.

This semester, she was a student teacher at the Adirondack Central School in Boonville, N.Y. She also served as the school's assistant coach for the varsity soccer team this fall. She was a soccer coach for the Lowville Youth Soccer Association last summer.

For the past two years, Bauer has attended the annual conference of the New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. She also volunteered for Habitat for Humanity in Concord, N.C., during spring break last year.

After graduation, Bauer plans to begin work on a master's degree in health education from SUNY Cortland. She hopes to become a physical education teacher and a coach.

"While being a positive role model, I hope to show all students enjoyment in physical activity and living a healthy lifestyle," Bauer said. "Because of the obesity epidemic my hope is that, by graduation, all students will have at least six lifelong activities that they enjoy participating in."

A graduate of Webster Schroeder High School, Fisher is the daughter of Amy and David Fisher of Webster.

Since enrolling in SUNY Cortland in 2003, Fisher has maintained a 3.97 grade point average. She has made the Dean's List every semester and the President's List since spring 2005.

A member of the Cortland Honors Program, Fisher has been awarded a SUNY Cortland Presidential Scholarship, given annually for exceptional academic credentials. This year, she received an Alpha Delta Junior Award, presented to students in the top 10 percent of the junior class. Fisher was also inducted into the Phi Eta Sigma freshman honor society and into the Phi Kappa Phi honor society.

For the past two semesters, Fisher has been a tutor for the Academic Support and Achievement Program, helping other students in Spanish and freshman composition. She is a co-secretary of the Political Science Association, a member of the Off-Campus Housing Committee, and a member of the Women's Club Volleyball Team.

In the spring semester, Fisher will intern with the Cortland County District Attorney's office, earning three academic credits for her work. She hopes to land an internship in Washington, D.C., in the fall and plans to attend law school after graduating in 2007.

"My ideal job would be to be a judge," Fisher said. "Instead of running for political office, as a judge I feel like you get more done and have more impact."

## Jennifer Janes Named Cortland Fund Director

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programs. Jennifer's warm personal style combined with her prior experience in higher education complement the many successful ways the division staff are working to creatively involve alumni, parents, friends, faculty and staff in supporting the mission of SUNY Cortland."

"I look forward to helping SUNY Cortland reach its goals of providing superior educational opportunities for students by building financial support from alumni and friends of the College," Janes said. "I am also excited about the future of SUNY Cortland and the difference this support will make for students as they fulfill their dreams of becoming future leaders in their careers and communities."

As Utica College's director of alumni and parent relations, Janes successfully planned and executed programs to increase alumni and parent involvement including regional events, reunion and homecoming programs and career development programs. She was responsible for volunteer development and management of various programs and events such as the National Alumni Council, Admissions Network, alumni clubs and Parent Program.

Previously, she served for a year-and-a-half as the executive director and director of special events for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation in Syracuse, N.Y., where she was responsible for ongoing financial success and growth in the chapter with a budget of \$400,000. She managed and trained a staff of seven including a telemarketing department, supervised 18 special

event fund-raisers in a nine-county region, and worked to assure the continued growth of the core volunteer group.

Janes began her career with John Hancock Financial Services in Fairport, N.Y. She served as marketing representative and as director of marketing from 1991-98. In the latter capacity, she supervised all direct mailing campaigns of approximately 10,000 pieces per month, trade shows, advertising and seminar series such as long-term health care, retirement and estate planning.

She worked as a customer solutions associate with Cargill, Inc., in Liverpool, N.Y., from June 2004 until her appointment at Cortland.

As a volunteer, Janes has served on the Girl Scouts - Foothills Council, Inc., Board of Directors since 2003. She has been a member of the New York State Corporate Board of Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership for the past five years. She served as that organization's New England District director, as head counselor for the South Pacific International Trip in Summer 1998, and as Western New York seminar chairperson. In the latter capacity, she raised \$20,000 in funds to support a leadership seminar for 140 high school sophomores.

A native of Cato, N.Y., Janes has a Bachelor of Science in marketing with a minor in psychology from SUNY Oswego.

She and her husband, Brett, have two daughters, Kaleigh, 5, and Hannah, 2.

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## Student Scribes at Hospital

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"Probably 30 to 40 percent of every hour is certainly spent on some kind of documentation," Jenis said. "Imagine that time now spent with the patient. This will allow the clinicians to have more face time with the patients."

In September, five SUNY Cortland students all majoring in biological sciences began two months of training to work as scribes, learning medical lingo and the forms they must fill out for patient examinations. In November, the students began documenting patient visits by taking notes and then recording the results of the examination on a dictation machine.

The students, who are paid eight dollars an hour, were recruited for the program by Barry L. Batzing, biological sciences, Pre-Med Advisor. He notes that the program allows students to accumulate volunteer service in the field, as required by medical schools and physician assistant programs.

"All of the medical schools like to see evidence of dedication, commitment and motivation, and this is perfect for that," Batzing said. The program does not offer course credit, but Batzing said the department is evaluating that issue.

The program also provides a community service by helping relieve the growing caseload in the emergency room. In 1999, there were 17,000 visits to the Cortland Memorial emergency room. The next year, the number is expected to reach 25,000, according to Firman.

"It's just another example of our students being a great benefit to the community," said Raymond D. Franco, student affairs, and a member of the hospital's board of trustees. "It helps the patients and the hospital."

Jamie Cerqua, a senior biological sciences major from Greece, N.Y., said the scribe program helped her make the decision to commit herself to a career in medicine. She is now applying to eight medical schools, 11 physician assistant schools and 11 osteopathic medical schools. "It's like getting your feet wet," she said, during a break in the emergency room. "You see what you're actually going to be doing."

College and hospital officials expect the scribe program to continue as five more scribes will be trained beginning next month. Jenis said the program may even expand to employ scribes 24 hours a day if the emergency room physicians request it.

For more information, contact Batzing at ext. 0146.

## \$32,050 in Study Abroad Scholarships Distributed

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#### OAP Scholarships, Fall 2005:

- Robyn Blackmore, a senior special education major from Niskayuna, N.Y., for student teaching at the University of the Sunshine Coast
- Kaitlin Dahl, a junior Spanish education major from Baldwinsville, N.Y., for study in Salamanca
- Laura Greaney, a junior psychology major from Monroe, N.Y., for study in London
- Thomas Heidt, a senior mathematics major from Rochester, N.Y., for study in Beijing
- John Selvaggio, a senior physical education major from Bayport, N.Y., for student teaching at the University of the Sunshine Coast

## OAP Scholarships, Summer 2005 six-credit awards:

- Robyn Blackmore, \$750, for study at the University of the Sunshine Coast
- Trisha Kilbourn, a senior special education major from North Chili, N.Y., for study at the University of the Sunshine Coast
- Amie Wach, a senior physical education major from Elma, N.Y., for study at the University of the Sunshine Coast

## OAP Scholarships, Summer 2005 three-credit awards:

- Christine Booth, a sophomore business economics major from Fairport, N.Y., for study in China
- Jeffrey Lovier, a senior physical education major from Fairport, N.Y., for study at the University of the Sunshine Coast
- Jennie Riley, a senior art major from Homer, N.Y., for study in China

#### Uschald Scholarships, Spring 2006:

- Megan White, a senior French education and Spanish major from Binghamton, N.Y., for study in Salamanca
- Christine Murphy, a junior adolescence education: Spanish major from Horseheads, N.Y., for study in Salamanca
- Kristin Laribee, a senior Spanish major from Camden, N.Y., for study in Costa Rica
- Michelle Greenberg, a senior biological sciences major from Satellite Beach, Fla., for study in Norway
- Keith Levinson, a senior exercise science major from Selden, N.Y., for study in Ballarat, Australia

#### Uschald Scholarships, Fall 2005:

 Kristen Egan, a senior physical education major from East Norwich, N.Y., for study at the University of the Sunshine Coast

- Abigail Hempfling, a junior communications studies major from Le Roy, N.Y., for study in London
- Ashley Miller, a senior athletic training major from Harrisville, N.Y., for study at the University of the Sunshine Coast
- Davin Sessa, a senior business economics major from Mahopac, N.Y., for study in Costa Rica
- Nicholas Weekes, a junior international studies major from Brooklyn, N.Y., for study in LaRochelle, France

## Uschald Scholarships, Summer 2005 six-credit award:

- Julie Saradin, a senior international studies major from Salamanca, N.Y., for study in Costa Rica
- Briana Cassidy, a senior Spanish education major from West Islip, N.Y., for study in Costa Rica

## Uschald Scholarships, Summer 2005 three-credit award:

- Heather Willis, a junior new media major from Vestal, N.Y., for study in China
- Chris Cummings, a senior physical education major from Pittsford, N.Y., for study at the University of the Sunshine Coast
- Lauren Bachman, a senior international studies major from Pine City, N.Y., for study in Germany through the State University of New York at Albany

#### Kevin A. Rowell '83 Award, Spring 2006:

 Megan Kelley, a senior speech and language disabilities major from Newburgh, N.Y., for study in London

#### Kevin A. Rowell '83 Award, Fall 2005:

• Michael Paul, a senior sport management major from Lakeville, N.Y., for study in Belize

SUNY Cortland now offers 33 academic programs at universities it partners with in 13 countries, said Marley Barduhn, interim director of the International Programs Office. Between one and two percent of SUNY Cortland students participate in studies abroad, Barduhn said.

"We'd like to see that number increase as Cortland students become more globally aware and they realize the value of living in another culture for a period of time, rather than just being a tourist," Barduhn said. "It really is life-transforming."

For more information on the scholarship programs, contact the International Programs Office at ext. 2209.





## News Briefs

# School Superintendent to 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@cortland.edu.

### CALS Applications Available; Due Jan. 30 in Corey Union

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.

# Campus Activities Announces Fall 2006 Event Dates

Campus Activities and Corey Union has announced the dates for the 2006 Family Weekend and Homecoming Weekend. They are Oct. 6-8 for Family Weekend and Oct. 27-29 for Homecoming Weekend.

For more information, contact the office at ext. 2321.

# **Ballroom Swing Dance Classes Offered For Adults**

A six-week adult Ballroom Swing Dance Workshop will be presented from Feb. 3-March 24 by the Performing Arts Institute of the Performing Arts Department. The classes will be held from 6:30-8 p.m. on Fridays in the Dowd Fine Arts Center.

The instructor for the classes is Thomas Fuchs, physical education, and the fee for the six workshops is \$55. Dance music from the 1930s, 1940s and 1950s will be used for this class that provides both a physical workout as well as instruction in the swing/ballroom style. No previous dance experience is needed.

Classes will not be held on Feb. 24 and March 17.

For more information, contact Cindy Halpin, performing arts, at ext. 4508 or by e-mail at halpinc@cortland.edu.

### Visa Procurement Card Available for Purchases

Faculty and staff members whose position requires frequent, small purchases are eligible to use the SUNY Cortland Visa Procurement Card, or P-Card, for purchasing business-related goods and services, excluding travel-related expenses.

The P-Card allows purchases to be made without generating a purchase requisition. This saves time by avoiding sending a requisition to Procurement Services through campus mail.

For more information about the Visa Procurement Card, or to request an application for one, contact Procurement Services Purchasing Manager Jon Barrett at ext. 2307 or Procurement Card Coordinator Terry Hollenbeck at ext. 2306.

## Sports Schedule

#### Capital Letters Denote Home Games

#### Tuesday, Jan. 24

MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Ithaca, 7 p.m. Men's/Women's Swimming and Diving at Geneseo, 6 p.m.

Men's Ice Hockey at Skidmore, 7 p.m.

#### Wednesday, Jan. 25

WRESTLING vs. Oneonta, 7 p.m.

#### Friday, Jan. 27

Women's Basketball at Geneseo, 6 p.m. Men's Ice Hockey at Fredonia, 7 p.m. Men's Basketball at Geneseo, 8 p.m.

#### Saturday, Jan. 28

WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS vs. Cornell, 12 p.m.

MEN'S/WOMEN'S SWIMMING and DIVING vs. New Paltz, 1 p.m. WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Buffalo St.,

6 p.m.

MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Buffalo St., 8 p.m. Wrestling at Jamestown Open, 9 a.m. Men's Ice Hockey at Buffalo St., 7 p.m. Men's/Women's Indoor Track and Field at West Point, TBA

Men's/Women's Indoor Track and Field at Colgate Invitational, TBA

#### Tuesday, Jan. 31

Men's Ice Hockey vs. Hamilton, 7 p.m. (at Casey Park; Auburn, N.Y.)

#### Wednesday, Feb. 1

Wrestling at Oswego, 7 p.m.

#### Friday, Feb. 3

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. SUNYIT, 6 p.m.

MEN'S ICE HOCKEY vs. Potsdam, 7 p.m. MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. SUNYIT, 8 p.m. Women's Ice Hockey at Neumann (PA), 7 p.m.

#### Saturday, Feb. 4

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. New Paltz, 6 p.m.

MEN'S ICE HOCKEY vs. Plattsburgh, 7 p.m. MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. New Paltz, 8 p.m. Wrestling - NY/NJ Duals (at College of N.J.), 11 a.m.

Women's Ice Hockey at Neumann (PA), 2 p.m. Men's/Women's Swimming and Diving at Oswego Last Chance Meet, TBA Men's/Women's Indoor Track and Field at Syracuse Invitational, TBA

#### Sunday, Feb. 5

WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS vs. Brown (RI), 12 p.m.

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## Faculty-Staff Activities

Thomas Hischak, performing arts, recently had his textbook *Theatre as Human Action:* An Introduction to Theatre Arts published by Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc. The book features some photographs by **Dawn Van Hall**, library, and scenic and lighting designs by **Howard Lindh** and **Joel Pape**, both of performing arts.

#### Jean W. LeLoup and Bob Ponterio,

international communications and culture, are the authors of a chapter titled "Technology and World Language Instruction: Where We Have Been, Where We are Now, Where We Are Headed," in A.L. Heining-Boynton, Ed., 2005-2015: Realizing Our Vision of Languages For All, p. 153-174; Upper Saddle River, N.J.: Prentice Hall College. The chapter appears in the celebratory volume of the Year of Languages, 2005, sponsored by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages.

Joseph Onello, physics, has been recognized by the National Astronomy and Ionosphere Center (NAIC) as "a distinguished user of the 305-m diameter Arecibo Telecope" in 2005. The NAIC is a facility of the U.S. National Science Foundation operated under cooperative agreement by Cornell University. Robert Spitzer, political science, is the lead author of the just-published book, *Essentials of American Politics*. This new second edition provides a synthetic view of the American political system, based on analysis of the evolving relationship between the citizen and the state. Published by W.W. Norton, the book's co-authors include Benjamin Ginsberg, Johns Hopkins University; Theodore Lowi, Cornell University; and Margaret Weir, University of California, Berkeley.

Michael Toglia, psychology, is frequently called upon as an external reviewer in promotion/ tenure cases. Last fall he served in this capacity on two occasions. One outside review was completed in October for a promotion to full professor evaluation of a faculty member in psychology at the University of Nevada-Reno. The other critique was written in November in a fourth-year pretenure case of a psychology faculty member at the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs.

Barbara Wisch, art and art history, will present a paper titled "In the Public Eye: Celebrating St. Lucy at Santa Maria Nuova, Rome," at the College Art Association annual conference, to be held Feb. 23 in Boston, Mass. The session honors "The Continuing Legacy of Professor Liana De Girolami Cheney." Wisch's travel is supported by the Small Grant Program of the Cortland College Foundation.

### Achievement in Research Awards Nominations Due Feb. 27

The deadline to submit nominations for the Outstanding Achievement in Research Award to the Sponsored Programs Office is Monday, Feb. 27.

Candidates should be full-time tenure-track faculty, including library faculty, and professional staff members. Past awardees will be eligible again in the fifth year after their previous award.

Guidelines and nomination applications are available on the Web site at www.cortland.edu/osp/. All nominations are considered self-nominations and may come from eligible faculty and professional staff. Department chairs, school deans and directors should encourage their best researchers to apply.

This competitive award will be given to faculty and professional staff members whose research achievements are deemed outstanding among others on this campus. Awards will be based upon documentation of all research related activities during the past five years while at Cortland.

As many as three awards will be made. Recipients will get a one-time \$1,000 award and a recognition plaque to be presented at the annual faculty and professional staff awards banquet on Wednesday, May 10.

On the basis of research contributions and credentials, the College Research Committee will evaluate all nominee materials and make recommendations to the Provost by Wednesday, March 15, 2006.

The nomination application will consist of a completed nomination form which includes: publication record; external and internal grant activity; a listing of awards and achievements; external recognition for research activities such as honors and appointments of distinction; student participation in faculty research; and a brief synopsis of contributions (see application form for complete list). The nominations for each candidate will be considered by the College Research Committee.

For more information or an application, contact the Sponsored Programs at ext. 2511.

# Center for the 4th and 5th Rs Featured in *Education Week*

SUNY Cortland and The Center for the 4th and 5th Rs was featured in the Dec. 14, 2005, issue of *Education Week*. The front-page story detailed the College's Smart & Good High Schools study and two of the 24 high schools that were visited.

A copy of the article, which was written by reporter Kathleen Kennedy Manzo, is posted on the Center's Web site at www.cortland. edu/character/highschool.

With the support of the Center's Templeton dissemination grant, copies of the report were sent to the nation's 50 governors.

For more information, contact the Center's Director Thomas Lickona, at ext. 2456, or Research Director Matt Davidson at ext. 5798.

## Teaching Innovation Grant Applications Due Feb. 27

Applications for Teaching Innovation Grants are due on Monday, Feb. 27 in the Faculty Development Center located in Memorial Library, Room B-303, on the third floor.

The purpose of these grants is to encourage the development and sharing of new instructional strategies among faculty. Proposals may be submitted for projects that focus on any type of course enhancement in an applicant's area of specialization.

Up to five grants of \$500 each will be awarded. Any full-or part-time faculty member with at least one semester of service at SUNY Cortland is eligible. Applicants must also be scheduled to teach during one for the following semesters: Summer 2006, Fall 2006, or Spring 2007.

Guidelines are available at the Faculty Development Web site, www.cortland.edu/fdc/.

To receive a copy of the guidelines, or for more information, call ext. 2088 or e-mail Faculty Development Center Director Laura Gathagan at gathaganl@cortland.edu.

Awardees are expected to implement their innovation throughout a full semester, and to share their results with the campus community at either a Sandwich Seminar or during Scholars' Day.

## Coming Events

### Monday, Jan. 23

**Meeting:** College Council, Miller Building, Room 405, 4 p.m.

#### Tuesday, Jan. 24

**Coffeehouse/Open Mic Night:** Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 8 p.m.

#### Thursday, Jan. 26

Civic Engagement/Volunteer Fair: Sponsored by Career Services, Corey Union lobby, 4-5:30 p.m.

**Meeting:** Multicultural Leadership Cooperative, Corey Union, Room 209, 6:30 p.m.

#### Friday, Jan. 27

**Workshop:** "Surviving The First Year," presented by the Faculty Development Center, Park Center Hall of Fame Room, 12:30 p.m.

#### Tuesday, Jan. 31

**Faculty Senate Meeting:** Park Center Hall of Fame Room, 1:10 p.m.

**Field Placement Fair:** Adolescence Education, Corey Union Function Room, 5 p.m.

**Gallery Talk:** "What Is, What Shall Be, What Might Have Been: The Art of Kahn and Selesnick," Dowd Fine Art Gallery, 7 p.m. A reception and book signing will follow.

#### Wednesday, Feb. 1

**Unity Dinner:** Corey Union Function Room, Reception begins at 5 p.m.

**Performance:** "My Soul is a Witness," Dowd Fine Arts Theatre, 8 p.m.

#### Thursday, Feb. 2

Community Roundtable: "Success Stories of Humanitarian Relief," Catherine Bertini, former executive director, United Nations World Food Program, Park Center Hall of Fame Room, 8-9 a.m., refreshments served at 7:45 a.m.

Sandwich Seminar: "Claiming Their Due: African American Revolutionary War Veterans in the 19th Century," Judith Van Buskirk, history, Memorial Library, The Bookmark, noon.

#### Friday, Feb. 3

**Workshop:** "Charting the Next Three Years," presented by the Faculty Development Center, Moffett Center, Room 103, Poskanzer Lounge, 1 p.m.

## Black History Month Celebration

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**Film:** A "Diversity Film Forum" begins at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 8, in Corey Union Fireplace Lounge. For more information, contact Asumah at ext. 2064.

Events scheduled after Feb. 8 will be listed in the Feb. 6 issue of *The Bulletin*.

Black History Month is sponsored by the President's Office and Provost, the 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) and the Information Resources Office.

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



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