College Receives $148,000 to Study Teaching Strategies in Local Day Care

SUNY Cortland has received a $148,000 grant from the New York Office of Children and Family Services to work with a consortium of day-care centers in Cortland County. The project will aim to improve teaching practices in preschool programs over the next two years.

The project will create six teams of child-care teachers, advocates, early childhood education faculty and students who will spend one semester evaluating a preschool classroom. After the preschool teachers identify a specific problem in the class, the team will then conduct research and select a strategy to address the issue.

“This is an exciting opportunity for the early child-care community in Cortland,” said Heather Bridge, childhood/early childhood education, who applied for the grant. “To be at the forefront of professional development is a wonderful opportunity that will help all these players here.”

The grant will be coordinated with the Cortland Area Child Care Council, a resource and referral agency for day-care providers and parents. Six day care centers will be evaluated by the teams each semester.

While licensed day-care centers are required to offer professional development training for their staff, the project will allow the centers to focus on a single issue they are facing in their program, said Ann Withers, executive director of the Cortland Area Child Care Council.

“This is just an extra special kind of opportunity because of the fact that they are going to work together with a student, a teacher and a facilitator and actually do research and solve a problem that is in their center,” Withers said.

Black History Month Celebrations Continue on Campus

SUNY Cortland will continue its celebration of Black History Month throughout February with a series of events, including lectures, films and videos, musical performances and a poetry reading.

All events are free and open to the general public. Unless otherwise noted, the following events will be held in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge.

Lecture: On Tuesday, Feb. 6, Susan Rayl, exercise science and sport studies, will give a PowerPoint presentation on the life of a most influential individual in sports, titled “A Cloak of Dignity: Arthur R. Ashe, Jr.” The presentation, featuring many photographs from Ashe’s life, will begin at noon. For more information, contact Rayl at ext. 5457.

Lecture: Donald Wright, history, will give a talk on “Africans in the Atlantic World … and How the Atlantic World Affected Africans” beginning at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 7. For more information, contact Wright at ext. 2053.

Poetry Performance: Victoria Boynton, English, and student Yolanda Powell-Barnett will present “Voices of African American Women: A Poetry Performance” at noon on Thursday, Feb. 8. For more information, contact Boynton at ext. 2082.

Lecture: Rachel B. Reinhard, history, will address “Organizing for Change: A Discussion and Viewing of ‘Freedom Song’” at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 13, in the Corey Union Exhibition Lounge.

The Alumni Speaker Series will kick off at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 13, in the Corey Union Exhibition Lounge.

Career Services, the Alumni Affairs Office and the Division of Institutional Advancement have partnered to coordinate a series of panel presentations focusing on career readiness, hiring practices and critical skills necessary for success in today’s employment market. All presentations are free and open to the public.

The Feb. 13 “Business/Economics Career Panel” features Joseph Warren ’73, first vice president for Smith Barney; Donna Southworth ’82, manager of marketing operations at Marietta Corporation; and John Jackson ’68, business owner and entrepreneur.

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Disabilities Institute to Study Campus Accessibility

Navigating around any college campus in a wheelchair can be a challenge, as Frances Pizzola ’86, M.S. ’90 knows.

As an undergraduate, Pizzola couldn’t get into the laboratory in the basement of Moffett Center so the College built her a ramp. A student was hired to push Pizzola in her wheelchair up and down the hills of the campus so she could attend her classes.

“It’s funny, when I go back to campus and see all the ramps around, I say, ‘That ramp is here because I needed to get to class,’” said Pizzola, who became paralyzed in a sledding accident in 1981.

The problems encountered by people with disabilities at SUNY Cortland will now be addressed by the Disabilities Studies Institute, which is working with representatives from the community and campus to improve accessibility at the College.

“What we’re trying to do is just audit the whole campus to see where improvements can be made,” said the Institute’s Director Janet M. Duncan, foundations and social advocacy.

In January, a research team on campus began surveying and interviewing faculty, staff and students and presenting focus groups on accessibility issues. The team, led by Raymond D. Collings, psychology, and Judy Bentley, foundations and social advocacy, will present its findings at Scholars’ Day on April 18.

Founded in 2001 and revived last fall after a one-year hiatus, the Disabilities Studies Institute will focus on accessibility on campus, but is seeking input from the College and the community on what areas it should concentrate on in the future.

“The mission of what we’re trying to do is raise awareness and talk about issues related to disability,” Duncan said.

The institute, located in Cornish Hall, will offer referrals to services for people with disabilities, provide support to families and schools, organize professional development workshops and serve as a speakers’ bureau. Duncan said she hopes the institute will also conduct an assessment of the services available for people with disabilities in Cortland County.

Pizzola, a member of the institute’s steering committee, said she would be able to provide expertise to the committee from her experience in founding Access to Independence of Cortland County, an agency that served more than 900 people with disabilities in 2005. After working for the agency as a volunteer for 14 years, Pizzola said the organization was permanently established in 2002 with the help of a $200,000 state grant.

The former executive director and now program coordinator of Access to Independence of Cortland County, Pizzola still lives in Cortland and participates in many cultural and athletic events at the College. She hopes that the institute will help improve accessibility at the College so that more people with disabilities can visit and use the campus.

See the complete story online at www.cortland.edu/news.

SUNY Cortland Raises $45,594 in SEFA Pledges

SUNY Cortland’s 2006-07 State Employees Federated Appeal (SEFA) campaign raised $45,594 this year, an all-time high for the College, reported SEFA Campaign Chair Herb Haines, sociology/anthropology, and Vice Chair Michelle Congdon, human resources.

The total in gifts pledged represents a 15 percent increase over last year.

“In addition, 372 campus employees made donations this year, an increase of 34,” Haines said.

Last year, 338 SUNY Cortland employees together contributed almost $40,000.

Haines and Congdon announced the winners of a drawing for four prizes that was conducted at the campaign’s end.

Susan Rayl, exercise science and sport studies, won first prize, which is a reserved campus parking space located in the lot closest to the her building. Winners of the three second prizes, Auxiliary Services Corporation gift cards worth $29 each, were Eunice Miller, Provost’s Office; Barbara Wisch, art and art history; and David Barclay, biological sciences.

The campaign, which relies upon state employee volunteers to canvas co-workers for donations, kicked off on Oct. 18 and concluded on Nov. 1. The only authorized fundraising campaign among state workers, SEFA is directed by United Way of Cortland County and unites fundraising efforts for a group of agencies under a common umbrella.

Teacher Recruitment Days Registration Opens Feb. 5

Registration for the Central New York Teacher Recruitment Days will open at 8 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 5.

Students completing undergraduate or graduate teacher certification programs in December 2006, May 2007 or August 2007 are eligible to apply for this recruitment program.

Applications completed online at www.cortland.edu/career between Feb. 5 and Feb. 23 must include a $10 non-refundable registration fee.

Applications completed online between Feb. 24 and March 2 must include a registration fee of $15. Applications will not be accepted after March 2 and unregistered individuals will not be admitted on the day of the event. Priority is given to applicants on a first-come, first-served basis.

Central New York Teacher Recruitment Days, hosted by SUNY Cortland, is the premier teacher recruitment event in the northeast. At the spring 2006 event, more than 3,200 interviews were scheduled for students from 15 consortium colleges and universities. More than 265 recruiters from 17 states participated last year to fill known and anticipated teaching vacancies.

For more information, contact Career Services at ext. 4715.
Spring ‘Wellness Wednesday’ Series Begins Feb. 7

SUNY Cortland will host its popular “Wellness Wednesday” series during the spring semester, when speakers on an array of topics will help students survive spring break, take care of their bodies, learn to relax and handle stress and other aspects of college life.

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

On Feb. 7, Kristen Augusta, a licensed massage therapist and nationally certified aroma therapist practicing in Cortland, will present “Relaxation Station: Massage and Aromatherapy.” Augusta will answer questions and encourage participants to try techniques in massage and aromatherapy to relieve the physical and emotional symptoms of stress and anxiety.

On Feb. 14, Mary Dykeman, a public health educator with Cortland County’s Jacobus Center for Reproductive Health, will offer a “Valentine Survival Guide.” Her talk will explore communication in an intimate relationship, including what to ask and to talk about with an intimate partner. Dykeman will discuss the significance of the latest contraceptives available on the market.

On Feb. 21, Nancy Sternfeld, college physician, will address “Sleep . . . Is It Really Necessary?” She will discuss the pitfalls of sleeping in late and offer participants the chance to assess their own sleep I.Q.

On Feb. 28, Michael Feldman will present his nationally acclaimed program “MuscleBound” at 7:30 p.m. in the Corey Union Function Room. This multimedia, multidisciplinary 90-minute one-man show tackles the prevalent, yet rarely discussed, topic of male body issues and eating disorders. A dramatic performance portrays three men, all tired of their appearance, who decide to alter their bodies in different and destructive ways over the course of one year. The drama blends with Feldman’s original film documentary featuring interviews with a wide range of men and what they secretly think about their bodies.

On March 7, Jodi Lake, health promotion, along with health promotion interns, will conduct a session on “Spring Break Survival.” Whether a student is traveling to some tropical locale or remaining in Upstate New York for spring break, this presentation offers advice to make the most of their vacation. The program will feature refreshments and giveaways.

On March 21, Kristen Semrau, a graduate intern in the counseling center, will speak on “How to Make Your Dreams Come True.” This interactive session will help students replace wishing that things will happen with developing goal-setting skills that potentially will put them on their way to success.

On March 28, Robin Igla, who earned her master’s degree from SUNY Cortland in 2006, will present “But You Look So Normal.” Robin will share her 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 April 4, Louise Mahar, recreational sports, will offer “A Non-Threatening Introduction to Yoga.” She will lead participants in a beginner-level routine, demonstrate the different styles of yoga and explain its spiritual possibilities. Students are encouraged to come dressed in loose, comfortable clothing.

On April 11, Jeni Curtis, health, will discuss “Sexually Transmitted Infections: Perceptions and Practice of Risky Sex on Campus.” Sexually transmitted illnesses are some of the most common infections college students experience. Curtis will address what can be done to avoid them.

For more information, contact Cathy Smith of the Health Promotion Office in Van Hoesen Hall, Room B-1, at ext. 2066 or by e-mail to smithc@cortland.edu.
Nominations Being Accepted Until Feb. 23
For Excellence Award for Professionals

Nominations are now being accepted for the College’s Excellence in Professional Service Awards. Letters of nomination will be accepted from SUNY Cortland students, colleagues or supervisors. Any professional who has completed at least two years of service at SUNY Cortland is eligible for an award.

Nomination materials must be submitted no later than 4 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 23, to Chair, Professional Service Awards Committee, Bursar’s Office, Miller Building, Rom 323. Nominees will be notified by the Awards Committee of their candidacy after Feb. 23.

Awards will be given for excellence in three categories:

Institutional Service Award
Nominees should be individuals who serve as role models within their area of responsibility, their profession or department. Characteristics such as leadership, organization, problem-solving or decision-making skills should serve as examples of professionalism of the highest caliber. These characteristics may be demonstrated in a number of ways, including but not limited to:

- Outstanding performance within the job description
- Participation in committees or activities that support the College’s Long Range Planning Goals
- Participation in professional development and training

Innovation Within Profession Award
Nominees should be individuals who have demonstrated creativity in the development or application of ideas or concepts within a professional operation. Characteristics of innovation may be demonstrated in a number of ways, including but not limited to:

- Application of technology within one’s field
- Redesign of a process or program to improve effectiveness
- Maximization of campus resources in operations (e.g. fiscal efficiency)

Service to Students Award
Nominees should be those who have demonstrated leadership in the development or enhancement of programs and services that respond to student needs. Characteristics of excellence in service may include, but will not be limited to:

- Demonstration of “going the extra mile” in order to serve students
- Development of creative student programming or services
- Implementation of programs or processes designed to improve services to students

Typed letters of nomination must be submitted in the following format:

1. Name, title, department of nominee
2. Name of nominator, relationship to nominee (e.g. colleague, supervisor, student)
3. Award category that captures the achievement of the nominee
4. Specific information that pertains to the award category
5. Up to two letters of support (optional)

The Awards Committee reserves the right to request additional supporting information as necessary.

Recipients will have announcements of the honor sent to The Bulletin, Cortland Standard, WKRT-AM, WXHC-FM, the alumni publication of the recipient’s alma mater, and the hometown newspaper if different from Cortland Standard. They will also receive a plaque, be honored at a luncheon, and featured in a brochure highlighting excellence at SUNY Cortland.

For more information, contact Professional Service Awards Committee Chair Colleen DeGouff, bursar/student accounts, at ext. 2412.
Baroni Named Fellow of Mycological Society

Biological Sciences Professor Timothy J. Baroni, who has specialized in mycology, which is the study of fungi, was named a 2006 Fellow of the Mycological Society of America (MSA).

Baroni's recognition was announced during recent international joint meetings of the MSA and the Association for Plant Pathologists in Quebec City, Canada. His formal installment as an MSA Fellow will take place during the society's annual meeting July 29-Aug. 2 in Quebec City.

The MSA, an international organization, has bestowed this prestigious honor among its ranks since 2001. MSA Fellows are nominated as candidates without their knowledge from among members who have completed at least 11 years of service after earning a Ph.D. Honorees are selected for their solid record of mycological research, successful teaching and development of teaching materials for mycology, significant service to the society, or for a combination of those accomplishments.

Baroni was among four senior-level mycologists who received this coveted award in 2006. Others represented the New York Botanical Garden, the United States Department of Agriculture National Center for Agricultural Utilization Research in Peoria, Ill., and the University of Alabama.

See the complete story online at www.cortland.edu/news.

Cape Cod-Themed Entertainment on Feb. 10 Will Support Student Affairs Scholarship

The Division of Student Affairs will host a New England beach-themed event titled “Escape to the Cape” on Saturday, Feb. 10, for its third annual fundraiser to support a student affairs scholarship program.

Members of the campus community and the public are invited to view the captivating beach scene complete with lighthouse, rocky shore and docks from 7-11 p.m. in the Corey Union Function Room, said organizer Sue Vleck, residential services.

Featuring music by local disk jockey Phil Connery, the evening will feature a cash bar, photo opportunity, dancing, carnival games, silent auction and raffle. The menu, prepared by the ASC Catering Services, will offer hors d’oeuvres with mini-crab cakes, soup and salad including seafood bisque, hot food featuring sautéed seafood pasta and carved turkey, desserts and an ice bar with Rock lobster tails.

Tickets to the event cost $30 each and can be obtained by phone at ext. 2095 or by e-mail to suev@em.cortland.edu. Seating is limited at the event. Tables seating up to 10 may be reserved in advance.

“This third annual fundraiser will help SUNY Cortland students who are actively involved in the community,” said Vleck.

“Last year's event collected more than $7,000. This year, with your help, can be even more successful. Come leave your footprint in the sand.”

The fundraiser will help endow the Vice President for Student Affairs Merit Award, observed Raymond D. Franco, who is spearheading the event as interim vice president for institutional advancement.

“Last year, we had a great time at the Hollywood-themed ‘A Scene to Remember’ event, and raised more than $7,000,” said Franco, who began organizing the fundraiser three years ago as the vice president for student affairs. “Our goal is to reach $25,000 in the fund so it will be permanently endowed. We are about $10,000 from our goal and think we can reach it this year. It is going to be a great night and a fun time all for a good cause.”

The scholarship, which will be increased from $500 to $1,000, is presented to students who have made significant contributions 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 award must have a minimum 2.5 grade point average and be free of any recent disciplinary record.

Previous honorees include Nicole Tirado ’06, Danielle Vegas ’05, Michele Paladino ’05, John Falbo ’04, Matthew Barone ’03 and Erica Boden ’03.

Alumni Speaker Series Will Begin Feb.13; Panel Discussions to Continue Through 2008

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The second panel, “Communication Studies/Media/Marketing” is slated for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 27, in Corey Union, Rooms 301-303. Panelists include: Chuck Beeler ’84, vice president of public relations at Mark Russell Associates; Scott Rapp ’77, editor for the Syracuse Post-Standard and communication studies lecturer; Randy Page ’76, national marketing sales manager for Airotronics; and Sheila Parkes ’94, promotions director for Galaxy Communications.

The “Superintendents Day/Education Panel” is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Monday, March 19, in Corey Union, Rooms 301-303. Participating superintendents from New York State school districts are: Marion Tunney ’76, Bath Central Schools; Sam Shevat ’74, Cobleskill-Richmondville Central Schools; Jason Andrews ’97, Windsor Central School District; and Tom Marzeski ’78, Chittenango Central Schools.

The final spring semester panel, “Law/Public Service Day,” is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 12, in Corey Union, Rooms 305-306. Tentative participants include: Bud Dahlgren ’79, an attorney with Hinman, Howard & Kattell LLP; Charles Eric Gordon ’74, investigative counsel; Bob Vinal ’71, attorney for the New York City Police Department; Ed Leone ’78, attorney and partner with Cherundolo, Bottar and Leone; Sperry Navone ’85, legislative assistant for the New York State Assembly; and Kim Potter Ireland ’97, director for the New York State Senate’s Energy and Telecommunications Committee.

The Alumni Speaker Series will continue throughout the 2007-08 academic year with sessions focusing on careers in sport management, human services and the helping professions, recreation and leisure studies, international careers and health professions.

For more information, contact John Shirley, career services, at ext. 4715 or Erin Boylan, alumni affairs, at ext. 2531.
IDA Program Applications Due Feb. 26 in UUP Office

SUNY Cortland faculty and full- and part-time professional staff who are covered by the agreement between the State of New York and United University Professions (UUP) are eligible for the Individual Development Award Program (IDA).

Completed applications with required attachments will be accepted until the end of business on Monday, Feb. 26, to the UUP Chapter Office, Old Main, Room B-18A, attn: Professional Development Committee. The application can be downloaded from www.uup.lmc.state.ny.us/forms/app.html.

The State of New York/United University Professions Joint Labor-Management Committee has allocated $22,191 to SUNY Cortland under the IDA Program for July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007. The funds for the program are awarded pursuant to Article 42, Professional Development Committee, of the 2003-2007 State/UUP Agreement.

The IDA program is intended to assist eligible employees in developing their full professional potential and in preparing for advancement. Funding may be provided for enhancing teaching, research capabilities, and improving professional knowledge and skills. All expenses and/or encumbrances must be incurred by June 30. The maximum award under this program is $1,000.

Further details about the program, including a list of required application attachments, can be found online at www.uup.lmc.state.ny.us/development/individual.html or in the Research and Sponsored Programs Office, Miller Building, Room 402, or in the UUP Chapter Office.

As noted in the program description, IDA applications are reviewed on campus by the Campus Professional Development Committee (PDC). The PDC makes all award decisions. In accordance with the agreement, the PDC has initially dedicated 15 percent of SUNY Cortland’s allocation to part-time employees, who are particularly encouraged to apply.

Note that the PDC may request additional information. The committee will review applications and send notice of awards by the end of March 2007.

For more information about the program, contact John Suarez at suarezj@cortland.edu.

Apply for Research Travel Grants Program by March 2

Applications for the Cortland College Foundation 2006-07 Research Travel Grants Program are due in the Research and Sponsored Programs Office, Miller Building, Room 402, by Friday, March 2.

Applications will be accepted only from full-time, untenured, tenure-track faculty and professionals.

The program, established by the Cortland College Foundation and administered by the College Research Committee, is designed to support faculty research and travel. Top priority will be given to applicants who travel to attend a professional conference, to serve as a participant in a professional conference, or to engage in research.

Lesser priority will be given to applicants who travel to attend a conference to develop new skills and/or remain current in their field.

The Cortland College Foundation has allocated $7,500 for this year’s program.

Application and guidelines are available from the Research and Sponsored Programs Office, ext. 2511, or online at www.cortland.edu/osp/igs/summary.htm#RTG.

For more information, contact Glen Clarke at glenc@cortland.edu, or ext. 2511, or any member of the College Research Committee.

Alumni Ice Arena

Admission is $1 and skate rental is $2, unless otherwise noted.

For more information, call ext. 4961.

Lunch Time Skate
Mondays-Fridays, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Free admission

Recreational Skate
Sundays, 1-3 p.m.

Open Hockey
Sundays, 6:30-8 p.m., $5 admission

Late Night Glow N’ Dark Skate
Friday, Feb. 9, 11 p.m.-1 a.m.
Sponsored by Student Activities Board
Free admission and skate rental with student ID card.

Valentine Recreational Skate
Sunday, Feb. 11, 1-3 p.m. Have your picture taken with your partner and e-mailed to you.

Late Night Glow N’ Dark Skate
Friday, Feb. 16, 9 p.m.-11 a.m.
Black History Month Celebrations Continue with Lectures, Music, Film and Poetry

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herding lifestyle, but many are eager to develop educational opportunities, particularly for women and girls. International efforts currently under way to extend teacher educational opportunities in Kenya are not effectively reaching this group of citizens. Among its aims, the Trans-Africa Project at SUNY Cortland seeks to address this problem. For more information, contact Bridge at ext. 5693.

Play Reading: Samuel Kelley, communications studies, and John Willmer, geography emeritus, will dramatize "Pantomime" at noon on Thursday, Feb. 15. For more information, contact Kelley at ext. 4104.

Lecture: Paul Luyben, psychology, will discuss "Aggressive and Effective Teaching Strategies in Inner City Schools: These Kids CAN Learn" at 4 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 15. For more information, contact Luyben at ext. 2042.

Film: The Diversity Film Forum will screen "The Shadow of Hate: A History of Intolerance in America" at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 20. For more information, contact Seth Asumah, African American studies, at ext. 2064.

Lecture: Matthew Lessig, English, will discuss "Men in the Making: Richard Wright, William Faulkner and the Prospects for Black Modernity" at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 21. For more information, contact Lessig at ext. 2071.

Concert: Two Performing Arts Department faculty members, Ralph Dudgeon and Edward Moore, will perform "Music of African American Composers for Piano and Trumpet" at noon on Thursday, Feb. 22, in the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre. For more information, contact Moore at ext. 2814 or Dudgeon at ext. 5721.

Concert: SUNY Cortland’s Gospel Choir will perform at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 25, in the Old Main Brown Auditorium. For more information, contact Samuel Kelley, communication studies, at ext. 4104.

Video: Paul van der Veur, communication studies, who returned from an extended trip to Africa, will show "Namibia: A Video Screening" at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 28. For more information, contact van der Veur at ext. 7414.

Play Reading: Playwright Samuel Kelley, communication studies, will dramatize "Bloody Damn Yanks" at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 28, at the Homer Center for the Arts. His latest play is about a suburban soccer mom’s family coming to grips with her father’s early onset Parkinson’s disease and how it will impact their future. For more information, contact Kelley at ext. 4104.

Black History Month is co-sponsored by the Affirmative Action Committee, the President’s and Provost’s Offices, the Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies, the Vice President for Student Affairs Office, the Multicultural Life Office, the Political Science Department, the Campus Artists and Lecture Series (CALS) and the African American Studies Department.

For more information about Black History Month, contact the African American Studies Department Chair Seth N. Asumah at ext. 2064, or in Old Main, Room 208-B.

Sports Schedule

**Tuesday, Feb. 6**
- WOMEN’S BASKETBALL vs. Oneonta, 6 p.m.
- MEN’S BASKETBALL vs. Oneonta, 8 p.m.

**Wednesday, Feb. 7**
- WRESTLING vs. Ithaca, 7 p.m.
- Men’s/Women’s Swimming and Diving, SUNYAC Championships, 10 a.m. at Erie Community College, Buffalo

**Thursday, Feb. 8**
- Men’s/Women’s Swimming and Diving, SUNYAC Championships, 10 a.m. at Erie Community College, Buffalo

**Friday, Feb. 9**
- MEN’S ICE HOCKEY vs. Plattsburgh, 7 p.m.
- Men’s/Women’s Swimming and Diving, SUNYAC Championships, 10 a.m. at Erie Community College, Buffalo
- Women’s Basketball at Buffalo St., 6 p.m.
- Men’s Basketball at Buffalo St., 8 p.m.

**Saturday, Feb. 10**
- WOMEN’S ICE HOCKEY vs. Sacred Heart (Conn.), 1 p.m.
- WOMEN’S GYMNASTICS vs. Rutgers (N.J.), 3:30 p.m.
- MEN’S ICE HOCKEY vs. Potsdam, 7 p.m.
- Men’s/Women’s Swimming and Diving, SUNYAC Championships, 10 a.m. at Erie Community College, Buffalo, N.Y.
- Men’s/Women’s Indoor Track and Field at Cornell Kane Invitational, TBA

**Sunday, Feb. 11**
- Women’s Ice Hockey at Oswego, 3 p.m.

**Tuesday, Feb. 13**
- Women’s Basketball at Potsdam, 6 p.m.
- Men’s Basketball at Potsdam, 8 p.m.

**Friday, Feb. 16**
- Women’s Basketball at Brockport, 6 p.m.
- Men’s Ice Hockey at Oswego, 7 p.m.
- Men’s Basketball at Brockport, 8 p.m.

**Saturday, Feb. 17**
- WOMEN’S BASKETBALL vs. Fredonia, 6 p.m.
- MEN’S BASKETBALL vs. Fredonia, 8 p.m.
- Men’s/Women’s Indoor Track and Field, SUNYAC Championships, 9 a.m. at Hobart College, Geneva, N.Y.
- Wrestling — Empire Collegiate Wrestling Conference National Qualifiers, 11 a.m. at Ithaca
- Women’s Ice Hockey at Connecticut College, 7 p.m.
- Men’s/Women’s Swimming and Diving, Last Chance Meet, TBA

**Sunday, Feb. 18**
- WOMEN’S GYMNASTICS vs. Springfield (Mass.), 11:30 a.m.
- Women’s Ice Hockey at Amherst (Mass.), 1 p.m.
- MEN’S/WOMEN’S Indoor Track and Field, NYSCTC Multi-Event Championships, TBA at Cornell
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Community Appreciation Award Nominees Sought

The College Council is currently seeking nominations for its 2007 College-Community Appreciation Award, which will be presented in Fall 2007.

Established in 1985, the College-Community Appreciation Award formally recognizes local residents who have significantly assisted SUNY Cortland. The previous 23 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 30. To nominate a worthy candidate, submit a letter of recommendation to Kim Ireland, College-Community Appreciation Award Committee Chair, c/o President's Office, Miller Building, Room 408.

Workshops Scheduled for Pre-Major Students

Advisement and Transition and Career Services will host two sessions of a workshop titled “Major Decisions” for pre-major students.

The workshops will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 21, and at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 22. Both sessions will be held in the Career Services Library, Van Hoesen Hall, Room B-5.

Faculty advisors are encouraged to invite their pre-major students or any student interested in changing majors.

The following topics will be addressed:

- helping students discover their interests and future goals, knowing about all the resources available;
- making a connection between student interests and a major; and understanding the change of major process.

Students should R.S.V.P. to Advisement and Transition at ext. 4726.

Service-Learning Discussions Planned for Spring Semester

Service-Learning will sponsor a series of informal discussions that explore topics raised by participants, including faculty, agency supervisors and students.

The discussions are designed for those already involved in a service-learning course and for those who are considering collaborating in one.

The discussions will be held from 4-5 p.m. in Corey Union, Room 209, as follows during the spring semester:

February: Monday, Feb. 19, and Tuesday, Feb. 20
March: Monday, March 19, and Tuesday, March 20
April: Monday, April 2, and Tuesday, April 3

Reservations are not required. For more information, contact Service-Learning Coordinator John Suarez at ext. 4391 or at suarezj@cortland.edu.

ASC Program Grant Applications Due Feb. 23

Applications are now being accepted for Auxiliary Services Corporation (ASC) Program Grants for the 2007-08 academic year.

Application packets are available at the ASC Office in Neubig Hall or via e-mail by calling Annette O’Hara at ext. 4325.

Completed applications are due by 4 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 23, in the ASC Office.

Each year the ASC Board of Directors allocates funds to support grants for a wide range of purposes and projects that enhance the life of the College community.

Although ASC is willing to consider a wide range of ideas, it seeks to avoid duplicating other funding sources or funding projects more properly supported by state funds. Therefore, applicants should first seek funding from primary funding sources. Other grant guidelines are described in the application package.

For more information, contact O’Hara, at ext. 4325.

Performing Arts Faculty Gala Set for Feb. 13 in Dowd

The Performing Arts Department will present its annual Faculty Gala concert at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 13, in the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre.

Music and theatre faculty members will perform vocal and instrumental music as well as theatre scenes. Admission is free and all are invited.

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

Women’s Initiatives Workshop Looks at ‘Finding Balance’

“Finding Balance In Your Life: A Life Coach’s Perspective,” will be the topic of the Women’s Initiatives Committee lunchtime workshop on Friday, Feb. 9.

Carmen Munson, life and career coach and owner of Climb Higher will present from 12-1 p.m. in the Corey Union Exhibition Lounge. The talk is free and open to the campus community. Attendees are welcome to bring their lunch.

To help the speaker plan for the program, pre-registration is requested by sending an e-mail to Lisa Grinnell, career services, at grinnell@em.cortland.edu.

To learn more about Climb Higher, go online to www.toclimbhigher.com.

Presentation Will Reflect on Fall Semester Service-Learning

A presentation titled “Reflecting on Students’ Service-Learning Reflections” will be held from 3-4 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 14, in Corey Union, Room 209.

Judith Van Buskirk, history, and Homer Mitchell, English, will discuss lessons learned during the Fall 2006 semester when Van Buskirk taught her service learning version of HIS 290 and Mitchell taught his service learning version of CPN 101.

For more information, contact Service-Learning Coordinator John Suarez at ext. 4391 or by e-mail at suarezj@cortland.edu.
**Faculty-Staff Activities**

**Victoria Boynton**, English, will have her poems, “Crystal” and “Last Day” appear in Emory University’s *Lullwater Review*, Spring 2007.

**Jeremiah Donovan**, art and art history, is one of 17 faculty members in the field of ceramics displaying selected works at the “Extraordinary Forms: Biannual Clay” exhibit opening Feb. 11 at the Kenan Center House Gallery in Lockport, N.Y. The exhibit is devoted entirely to the medium of clay and will showcase the work of full-time artist-educators from Western New York and Ontario colleges and universities.


**Bonni C. Hodges**, health, has been selected as a delegate to the Oxford Round Table on Health to be held for a week this summer at the University of Oxford, England. In addition to acting as a delegate, Hodges’ paper on her work in the importance of physical, social, and emotional environment change strategies to support healthy behaviors was selected to be discussed as part of the roundtable. Oxford Round Tables are convened “to promote human advancement and understanding through the improvement of education . . . and provide a forum for the study and consideration of current issues facing state and national systems of education.” Each roundtable session is comprised of a small select group of leaders from both the public and private sectors of several countries.

**Denise D. Knight**, English, had her article, “‘Having always a taste for the morbid and ghostly’: New Evidence about the Origins of Gilman’s ‘The Giant Wistaria’,” accepted for publication in *American Literary Realism*.

**Robert Ponterio**, international communications and culture, was a panelist for the National Endowment for the Humanities Digital Humanities Start-Up Grant Program. The panel met on Jan. 9 in Washington, D.C., to evaluate proposals. NEH’s Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants are designed to encourage scholars with bright new ideas and provide the funds to get their projects off the ground.

**James Reese**, sport management, is lead-author of an article that has been accepted for publication in a forthcoming issue of *The SMART Journal*. The article, titled, “An Exploratory Study of the College Transplant Fan,” investigates the sport attendance patterns of college students.

**Robert Spitzer**, political science, was interviewed on KPCC radio, the National Public Radio affiliate for Los Angeles and Southern California, on Jan. 25 about Los Angeles County’s recent efforts to stem the flow of illegal guns into the area. Spitzer discussed recent similar efforts by New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg to halt illegal gun trafficking from states with lax gun laws.

**Michael Toglia**, psychology, was recently nominated to be the next editor of the journal *Psychological Bulletin*, one of the most prestigious outlets in the discipline. Also, a four-year journey has come to a conclusion with the publication of *The Handbook of Eyewitness Psychology*, a two volume edited set devoted to *Memory for Events* (Vol. 1) and *Memory for People* (Vol. 2). The set contains 45 chapters that include lifespan developmental trends in eyewitness recollection and identification and broad forensic applications. Toglia is the lead editor for the first volume and a co-author on the second volume. In addition, Toglia co-authored a chapter in *Volume One* titled “False memory research: History, theory, and applied implications.” Among the co-authors on the article is Jeffrey Neutschatz ’94, University of Alabama-Huntsville.

**Donna M. Videto**, health, was recently notified by the American Association of Health Education (AAHE) that she will receive its Presidential Citation at the AAHE Awards Luncheon during its National Convention in March. AAHE is recognizing Videto for the work she has done in the development of the AAHE Health Education and Promotion Network, a collection of national health educators who design, produce and market online health education courses for AAHE.

**Ben Wodi**, health, had his article “Re-evaluating Socioeconomic Conditions and the Continuing Spread of HIV/AIDS in Sub-Saharan Africa,” recently published in *The Western Journal of Black Studies*. The article argues that the emphasis on morality and sexual behavior in the spread of HIV/AIDS in sub-Saharan Africa masks the very socioeconomic conditions that fuel the epidemic. The paper further argues for an understanding of the socioeconomic context within which risk-taking behavior occurs in the region, rather than a damning condemnation of its victims.


**Sarah Zipp**, sport management, co-presented at the International Conference of Sport and Entertainment Business in Columbia, S.C. The presentation, titled, “Doping Controls During World Championships and Olympic Games: The Evolution Since 1984,” studied the development of anti-doping policies for international competition (Olympics, Tour de France, World Championships, etc.) and the formation of the World Anti-Doping Association to promote and regulate fair play in athletic competition.

**Award Recipients Announced**

The Research and Sponsored Programs Office announced the following grant recipients:


**Sheila Cohen**, literacy and Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies, received $1,000 from the Cultural Resource Council for her project titled “Arts Partners Celebrate Martin Luther King’s Vision for a Better World” for the period of Jan. 1-May 31, 2007.

**Robyn Forster**, Counseling Center, received year three funding of $81,400 from the New York State Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services for her project titled “Cortland County Communities That Care Project Coalition” for the period of Sept. 15, 2006 through Sept. 14, 2007.
**Coming Events**

**Tuesday, Feb. 6**
**Sandwich Seminar:** “A Cloak of Dignity: Arthur R. Ashe Jr.,” Susan Rayl, exercise science and sport studies, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, noon.

**Meeting:** Women’s Studies Program Committee, Old Main, Room 127, noon.

**Wednesday, Feb. 7**
**Sandwich Seminar:** “Africans in the Atlantic World... How the Atlantic World Affected Africans,” Donald Wright, history, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 12:30 p.m.

**Wellness Wednesday:** “Relaxation Station: Massage and Aromatherapy,” Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 7 p.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 8**

**Field Placement Fair:** Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 5 p.m.

**Gallery Talk:** “Breaking Boundaries: Exploration and Collaboration at Atlantic Center for the Arts,” Judith Page, Curator, Dowd Fine Arts Gallery, 7 p.m.

**Friday, Feb. 9**
**Presentation:** “Finding Balance in Your Life: A Life Coach’s Perspective,” by Carmen Munson, life and career coach, Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, noon-1:30 p.m. Bring lunch. Pre-registration to grinnelll@em.cortland.edu.

**Ice Skate:** “Late Night Glow N’ Dark,” Alumni Arena, 11 p.m.-1 a.m.

**Saturday, Feb. 10**
**$ Fundraiser:** “Escape to the Cape” New England beach-themed fundraiser to support a student affairs scholarship program, Corey Union Function Room, 7-11 p.m.

**Sunday, Feb. 11**
**$ Valentine Ice Skate:** Alumni Arena, 1-3 p.m.

**Tuesday, Feb. 13**
**Faculty Senate Meeting:** Park Center Hall of Fame Room, 1:10 p.m.

**Alumni Speaker Series:** Sponsored by Career Services, Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 7 p.m.

**Black History Month Speaker:** “Organizing for Change: A Discussion and Viewing of ‘Freedom Song’” Rachel B. Reinhard, history, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 7 p.m.

**Student Action Meeting:** New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG), Corey Union Fireplace Lounge, 7 p.m. Refreshments served.

**Concert:** Faculty Gala concert, Dowd Fine Arts Theatre, 8 p.m.

**Wednesday, Feb. 14**
**Sandwich Seminar:** “SUNY Cortland and the Maasai’s Quest for Teacher Education Opportunities: Who Can Deliver?” Heather Bridge, childhood/early childhood education, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 12:30 p.m.

**Presentation:** “Reflecting on Students’ Service-Learning Reflections,” Corey Union, Room 209, 3-4 p.m.

**Wellness Wednesday:** “Valentine Survival Guide,” Mary Dykeman, public health educator, Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 7 p.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 15**
**Sandwich Seminar:** “Pantomime: A Poetry Performance,” Samuel Kelley, communication studies and African American studies, and John Willmer, geography, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, noon.

**Black History Month Speaker:** “Aggressive and Effective Teaching Strategies in Inner City Schools: These Kids Can Learn,” Paul Luyben, psychology, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 4 p.m.