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SUNY Cortland Earns Presidential Honor for Community Service

In October, SUNY Cortland was listed as an inaugural President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll campus based on its outstanding community volunteer work.

The College was among approximately 400 institutions of higher education to make the list, and among only five SUNY campuses to earn this distinction.

The list can be viewed online at the Corporation for National and Community Service Web site at www.learnandserve.org/about/programs/higher_ed_honorroll.asp. Scroll to the bottom of the home page

and click on the button "View the Full President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll."

The honor roll responds to President George W. Bush's call to service by building on and supporting the civic engagement mission of the nation's colleges and universities.

"Institutions of higher education have a long tradition of service to their communities," said David Eisner, chief executive officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service. "When colleges organize effective community service programs, they do so not only to meet the needs of

the communities that surround them, but to improve the academic and civic lives of their students, faculty and staff."

"We are very pleased and honored to be recognized by the President of the United States on the honor roll for our civic engagement projects," said President Erik J. Bitterbaum.

"Thanks and congratulations to all campus members whose dedication is reflected in this acknowledgement," added Service Learning Coordinator John Suarez, Institute for Civic Engagement, which fosters community service collaborations between Cortland County and the College.

The application Suarez submitted notes the following accomplishments between July 1, 2005, and June 30, 2006:

- 1,556 students participated in community service projects;
- 706 students contributed more than 20 hours per term;
- SUNY Cortland employs three staff members supporting civic engagement;
- 36 academic courses incorporate service in learning; and
- Scholarships are offered for student civic service.

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

College Named Workforce Champion by Governor's Office of Employee Relations

SUNY Cortland was one of only three state agencies recognized as a 2006 Workforce Champion by the New York State Governor's Office of Employee Relations during a ceremony on Oct. 25 at the Governor's Mansion in Albany.

Created in 1998, the Workforce Champion program annually recognizes state employee work teams that have taken extraordinary steps to establish outstanding work practices and environments within the executive branch of state government.

"The excellence of New York State government depends on the hard work, creativity and innovation of its workforce," said George H. Madison, director of the Governor's Office of Employee Relations.

SUNY Cortland was being honored for its campus-wide energy savings program titled, "Watt Can We Do to Save Energy?"

The College solicited the campus community for suggestions to combat escalating energy costs. The resulting open dialogue mirrored the College's mission to "instill within students a sense of responsibility, an eagerness to make a difference in their community and an awareness of the important positive role they must play in an increasingly global society."

SUNY Cortland consciously chose to save resources and to direct them to educational enrichment, "to spend money on teaching rather than on heating," and, by doing so, reduced its consumption rate of natural gas by 11 percent and spent almost \$300,000 less than was anticipated. Educationally, the College demonstrated to its students how getting involved produces positive results for the good of the community. More energy saving measures are planned for 2006-07 and beyond with exponential savings expected.

President Erik J. Bitterbaum accepted the award for SUNY Cortland. The award-winning team members honored were: Timothy Slack, physical plant; Donald Chisholm, heating plant; Melinda Ferguson, physical plant; David Horrocks, physical plant; Wayne Leitch, heating plant; Steven Lundberg, physical plant; Michael MacLean, structural maintenance; Michael Mariani, heating plant; Lee Ripley, structural maintenance; and William Robertson, heating plant.

Also representing the College at the ceremony were: William Shaut, finance and management; Mary K. Murphy, finance and management; and Nasrin Parvizi, facilities management.

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Relay for Life Seeks Volunteers, Participants

Volunteers and participants are being sought for the second annual Relay For Life of SUNY Cortland, which will be held from 7 p.m.-7 a.m. on Nov. 17-18 in Lusk Field House.

Relay For Life, a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society, unites a community in the fight against cancer. Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to participate.

Volunteers can earn up to 12 community service hours. The event is sponsored by Colleges Against Cancer and funded by the Mandatory Activity Fee.

Last year, more than 700 participants on 55 teams raised nearly \$40,000 for the American Cancer Society.

To register, start a team, join a team or make a donation, visit the Web site at www.acevents.org/relay/ny/cortlandstate. The online site is designed to allow participants to send e-mails to their family and friends asking for donations. Donations can be made online, handed in at the event or sent to the local American Cancer Society.

To volunteer or for more information, contact sunycortlandrfl@yahoo.com.



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The next issue of *The Bulletin* will be published Monday, Nov. 20. The deadline for copy for that issue is 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 14.

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.

Faculty Senate Endorses Motions Regarding Retiring Dormant Courses, General Education

The Faculty Senate endorsed two separate motions on Oct. 31 regarding a policy for “retiring” courses not taught for five years and the General Education (GE) Committee’s recommendations on the GEAR Group’s response to the SUNY Cortland Strengthened Campus Based Assessment Proposal (SCBA).

In the first instance, the Faculty Senate voted to endorse the Educational Policy Committee’s (EPC) recommendation to create a policy for reviewing and acting upon courses that have not been offered over a five-year period.

The adopted policy states: “Courses which have not been offered over the last five years (full academic year period) will be reviewed by each department on an annual basis. The department will then respond with a decision to: (1) maintain the course(s) in the course inventory with justification; and/or (2) retire and remove the course(s) from the active curriculum and the *College Catalog*.”

EPC Chair John Cottone, exercise science and sport studies, explained the rationale for the proposed change in a handout shared with the Faculty Senate.

“At this time, as curriculum is dynamically changing, holding an accurate inventory of courses is critical to the development of new programs, the currency of the existing curriculum, accuracy of the *College Catalog*, and fairness to students in providing an honest and realistic inventory,” he wrote.

Previously, the Publications and Electronic Media Office, which produces the *College Catalog*, would remove any courses not offered during a five-year span.

Now, the Registrar will notify academic departments each fall of courses approaching the five-year limit at the end of that academic year. If no departmental action is taken to confirm the course(s) will be offered or, following consultation with and a decision by the respective dean to justify maintaining the course(s), then the Registrar’s Office will submit to the College Curriculum Review Committee a list of courses to be retired and

removed at the end of the spring semester. Following the curricular approval process, a list of retired courses will be distributed and posted campus wide and the changes would be reflected in the next *College Catalog*.

If an academic department wishes to re-activate a course, the department would initiate a “minor-minor” curriculum change. Justification would be submitted by the department chair to the dean, then to the provost for final approval. Re-activated courses would not need to go through the entire curricular process.

In other action, the Faculty Senate voted to accept two recommendations from the GE Committee regarding the GEAR Group’s response to the College’s SCBA.

The first recommendation was that no change be made in SUNY Cortland’s SCBA plan with respect to faculty having the option to give course credit, extra credit, or no credit to their students for completing an assessment activity.

The second approved recommendation was that the Critical Thinking assessment be limited to assessment in the Science, Technology, Values and Society category (Cortland GE 7/12) since courses in this category are typically taken by students in their junior or senior years.

The Faculty Senate charged the GE Committee on Sept. 24 to review the GEAR response. A subcommittee was formed, with David Miller, geography, as chair, and included: Brian Rivest, biological sciences; Seth Brown, Student Government Association; Susanna Davidenko, childhood/early childhood education; Mary McGuire, political science and GE Committee chair; and Mark Prus, arts and sciences.

The subcommittee conducted data analysis with assistance from the Institutional Research and Assessment Office, reviewed GEAR group correspondence, and conducted surveys of faculty and students in preparing a comprehensive report and making the two recommendations. The full GE Committee then accepted the recommendations on Oct. 19.

Conference on The Language of Violence Will Be Held on Campus Nov. 18

Scholars, students and peace activists from Central New York will be on campus Saturday, Nov. 18, for a conference on how the language of violence has changed since the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

The conference, which runs from 9 a.m.–5 p.m. in Corey Union, will feature 20 speakers who will discuss such topics as “Pressed into War,” “Is Love Nonviolent?” and “Harry Potter and the Myth of Redemptive Violence.” The fee for the conference is \$10, which includes lunch.

Gail Presbey, a philosophy professor from the University of Detroit Mercy, will deliver the keynote address at 11:15 a.m. in Corey Union Fireplace Lounge. Her talk, which is free and open to the public, is titled, “The Language of the Global War on Terror.”

In her talk she will analyze the Bush administration’s rhetoric about the global war on terror as well as attempts to link the U.S. invasion of Iraq to the more general umbrella of the war on terror. Presbey argues that rhetoric of the war has aided in misunderstanding the adversary and led to faulty judgments about ending the war.

Another speaker at the conference will be Edele Welty, a representative from Families for Peaceful Tomorrows, a group who lost family members in the Sept. 11 attacks. Welty, whose son was killed while working as a firefighter at the World Trade Center, will present “The Journey from Grief to Activism.”

Conference Chair Andrew Fitz-Gibbon, philosophy, who will deliver the paper on “Is Love Nonviolent?” said this is the first year

the annual conference has been held at SUNY Cortland. Sponsored by the Central New York Peace Studies Consortium, the conference has been held at various universities in the region for at least 20 years.

In addition to the Central New York Peace Studies Consortium, the conference is also sponsored by the Philosophy Department and the Campus Artist and Lecture Series.

For more information, contact Fitz-Gibbon at ext. 2016.

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

Library’s ‘Food for Fines’ Will Help Area’s Hungry

Memorial Library is offering a unique way for students to pay their overdue fines while helping local individuals in need of food.

The Food for Fines Program, in conjunction with the Cortland County Nutrition Program, Helping Hands Food Pantry and students from the Honors Program, will run from Monday, Nov. 6, through Wednesday, Nov. 15.

Library users with overdue fines will have an opportunity to “pay” their fines by contributing food items. For example, four packages of Ramen noodles or one box of cereal equals \$1.50 in fines. A list of food examples and their dollar equivalents can be found on the Memorial Library home page at <http://library.cortland.edu>.

Those who do not have fines but wish to donate food can do so. Memorial Library, in conjunction with the Honors Program students, will accept donations of pre-packaged food in cans (formula, vegetables, pudding, spaghetti sauce, etc), boxes (cereal, pasta, juice boxes, etc.), and plastic jars (mayonnaise, juices, salad dressings, etc.). Food will be accepted for fines only and not for lost book charges.

Contributions will be donated to the Cortland County Nutrition Program, Helping Hands Food Pantry.

Food contributions will be accepted during regular business hours at the Circulation Desk, Memorial Library.

For more information, contact Lorraine Melita, library, at ext. 4009 or by e-mail to melital@cortland.edu.

National Non-Traditional Students Week Set for Nov. 5-11

SUNY Cortland will recognize non-traditional students — students who are either 24 years or older and/or students who, regardless of age, have dependent children — during National Non-Traditional Student Week Nov. 5-11.

Non-traditional students at SUNY Cortland commute from as far away as Baldwinsville, Binghamton, Newark Valley and Utica. They tend to have families at home and are also employed. They may be attending college for the first time or coming back after an extended break.

Special events are planned throughout the week as follows:

Monday, Nov. 6: Open House in the Non-Traditional Student Lounge, Van Hoesen Hall, Room A-28, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Tuesday, Nov. 7: The movie, “Educating Rita,” will be shown in Memorial Library Conference Room at 4:30 p.m. Pizza and soda will be provided.

Wednesday, Nov. 8: A Sandwich Seminar, titled “Who Are Our Non-Trads? Are They N.U.T.S.?” will be presented by a panel of current and former students as well as faculty members. They will discuss the experiences non-traditional students bring to campus as well as challenges they face. The seminar begins at 12:30 p.m. in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge.

Thursday, Nov. 9: Stephen Smith, counseling center, will present the program

“Too Many Hats, Too Little Time: Balancing Classes and the Non-Traditional Student Life,” in the Non-Traditional Student Lounge, Van Hoesen Hall, Room A-28, at 10 a.m.

For more information, contact Coordinator for Non-Traditional Student Support Cheryl Hines at ext. 4726 or cherylh@cortland.edu.

Nominations Sought for Non-Traditional Students

Nominations for outstanding non-traditional students are being accepted by the Advisement and Transition Office through Friday, Nov. 10.

In recognition of non-traditional students who often balance college with family, jobs, community work and long commutes, SUNY Cortland will present nominees with a certificate and small gift.

Nomination forms are available in the Advisement and Transition Office, Memorial Library, Room A-111, or nominations may be sent by e-mail to Coordinator for Non-Traditional Student Support Cheryl Hines at cherylh@cortland.edu.

Nominations should include the student’s name, contact information, relationship to the student and comments about the non-traditional student that is being nominated.

For more information, contact Hines, at ext. 4726 or cherylh@cortland.edu.

Library's Jewish Literature Series Continues Nov. 16

Memorial Library's monthly reading and discussion series titled "Let's Talk About It: Jewish Literature - Identity and Imagination" continues on Thursday, Nov. 16, with a discussion of *The Puttermesser Papers*.

The series, which began in August, will conclude with *Angels in America* on Thursday, Dec. 7. All lectures are held at 7 p.m. in the library's Teaching Materials Center.

Books and other materials will be provided for participants. The series is free and open to the public, but registration is necessary. For details or to register, visit <http://library.cortland.edu/> or contact Ellen McCabe at ext. 4051 or mccabe@cortland.edu.

The talks explore Jewish literature and culture through scholar-led discussions of contemporary and classic books on a common theme. Speakers address the theme of "Demons, Golems, and Dybbuks: Monsters of the Jewish Imagination."

Nicola Morris, English, who is also an associate faculty member at Goddard College, will lead the book discussions. Morris, who has focused her research on "The Golem as a Metaphor in Jewish American Literature," has taught courses in Global Jewish Literature, Yiddish Literature, Jewish American Literature, Yiddish, Hebrew and Jewish American Short Fiction. She has also participated in the Ithaca Reader's Series.

The series developed by Nextbook and the American Library Association (ALA) is supported by grants from the ALA, United University Professions and the Friends of the Library at SUNY Cortland.

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Jon M. Sweeney, Author of Christian Memoir, To Speak in Fundamentalism Series on Nov. 9

Jon M. Sweeney, a Christian author and editor, will discuss his new memoir, *Born Again and Again: Surprising Gifts of a Fundamentalist Child*, on Thursday, Nov. 9.

Sweeney, whose 2005 book published by Paraclete Press has drawn critical acclaim, will begin his talk at 7:30 p.m. in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge.

The lecture, which is free and open to the public, is organized by the College's Cultural and Intellectual Climate Committee as part of its yearlong series of lectures and cultural events, "Fundamentally Speaking." Sweeney is the third speaker in the series, which is exploring the role of fundamentalism in religion, politics and science.

As a child in Wheaton, Ill., Sweeney was raised in a fundamentalist family and became a born-again Christian at the age of five. Both of his grandfathers were independent Baptist preachers and his father worked at the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. His book describes a solitary childhood in which he was fascinated with the crucifixion of Jesus: "Sunday afternoons, I would close my door and strip my action figures naked, leaving Batman, Aquaman, and G.I. Joe to hang on crosses of my own design, easy to create with Lincoln Logs ... I would sit quietly gazing

at them, thinking on Jesus and his sacrifice, praying with as deep a sorrow as I could muster."

Rev. Donald M. Wilcox, the Protestant campus minister, said he suggested that Sweeney be brought to campus as part of the "Fundamentally Speaking" series because the author has been part of the fundamentalist community. Even though he has now shifted direction, Sweeney still has respect for those who identify themselves as fundamentalists, Wilcox said.

"I think it's often too easy for us to look at fundamentalism and be critical," said Wilcox, who first learned of Sweeney by reading about him in the magazine *Christian Century*. "I think he can help us step back and be a little corrective of that."

Born Again and Again was named one of the "Best Books of 2005" by *Spirituality & Health* magazine and received an award of merit in the spirituality category by *Christianity Today*.

In addition to his writing, Sweeney is an associate publisher at Paraclete Press, a Christian firm based in Orleans, Mass.

For more information, contact Wilcox at 753-1002.

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

College to Hold Second Open House on Nov. 10

More than 600 prospective college students are expected to spend a day visiting academic departments, touring the campus and talking to faculty and students during the College's second fall Open House on Friday, Nov. 10.

This year, the second fall Open House will show off the campus to interested individuals on a regular day of classes, said Admissions Director Mark Yacavone. Faculty, staff and students from academic departments and student service offices will be available to meet with visitors throughout the program. Additionally, guests may tour the campus and eat in the dining facilities.

Most of the visitors on Veteran's Day have made prior reservations with the Admissions Office to be on campus that day, Yacavone noted. Visitors without reservations are also welcome to come view the campus and the departments of interest to them.

The program will formally begin at 10:15 a.m. in Park Center. Academic department faculty and student services staff will be set up in Park Center Corey Gymnasium from 10:15 a.m.-noon.

SUNY Cortland has held two fall open houses for a number of years to accommodate the schedules of prospective students.

Yacavone noted that the fall format is much different from the Spring Open House, where the majority of the visitors have already been admitted and are in the process of deciding to attend SUNY Cortland. By contrast, visitors to the Fall Open House see the campus while students are in class and experience the College before they have decided to apply.

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

SUNY Cortland to Hold International Education Week Nov. 13-18

Davydd J. Greenwood, an international scholar from Cornell University recognized for his work in reforming higher education, will give the keynote address for SUNY Cortland's fifth International Education Week on Monday, Nov. 13.

The weeklong event, which is open to the public, will feature films, dance performances, music, international foods and lectures from Monday, Nov. 13 through Saturday, Nov. 18. A conference on the language of violence and its relationship to war and peace will end the week on Saturday. (*See story on page 3*)

Most of the events, except for the international cuisine and the conference, are free.

Greenwood, an anthropologist and director of the Institute for European Studies at Cornell, will speak on "Why Universities Are Not Learning Organizations and What Can Be Done About It: An International Action Research Approach to Higher Education Reform." His lecture will begin at 4:30 p.m. in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge.

Henry J. Steck, political science and the James M. Clark Center for International Education, said he hopes that Greenwood will bring new ideas for the College to continue its expansion of international education and to actively involve students in its programs.

International service learning could involve students working with relief organizations around the world, such as Doctors Without Borders, Amnesty International or an international rescue committee in Europe or Africa, Steck said.

SUNY Cortland now offers 25 study abroad programs in 13 countries spread across six continents, including a dual degree program in Turkey and two others being developed in Poland and Azerbaijan.

Information about these programs will be highlighted during International Education Week at a study abroad fair, held from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Nov. 14-16 in Old Main Lobby. At the event, students can enter a raffle to win two free roundtrip tickets for a European trip.

Other International Education Week events at SUNY Cortland include:

Dinners: International students will be preparing entrees from their countries from

5 to 7 p.m. on Nov. 14-16 in the Corey Union Caleion Room. The dinner schedule includes African food on Tuesday, Turkish food on Wednesday, and Japanese food on Thursday. For information on meal prices, call Auxiliary Services Corporation's catering office at ext. 4626.

In addition, Taste of Asia, featuring an Asian cuisine dinner, will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 14, in the Corey Union Function Room. The dinner will be followed by Chinese and Turkish dance performances and martial arts demonstrations. The cost is \$3 for students and \$7 for all others. Children under 6 are free.

Student Fundraiser: Students in the Introduction to Adolescence Education/Service Learning course will kick off a campaign to raise money for Doctors Without Borders from Nov. 13-17. The students will staff tables at Corey Union during lunch and dinner, handing out plastic baby bottles for students to fill with loose change. A 12-foot-high baby bottle for donations will also be set up in Corey Union.

Film: Two French films from the Tournées Film Festival will be showcased during the week in Old Main Brown Auditorium. "Monsieur Ibrahim" will be shown at 4:15 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 13, and "L'Auberge Espanole" will be shown at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 16. Sponsored by the SUNY Cortland Friday Film Group, the film festival is funded by a grant from the French American Cultural Exchange.

Music: The Afro-Cuban Drum Group, Somos Diferentes, will perform at 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 13, at the Blue Frog Coffee House, 64 Main St., Cortland. The concert is sponsored by the International Communications and Culture Department and Latin American Studies.

Lecture: William G. Martin, a sociology professor from Binghamton University, will speak on "Africa in the Age of Terror: Afro-Optimism?" at 12:30 on Wednesday, Nov. 15 in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge. Martin's research and teaching focus on the relationship between the formation of Africa and the modern world, the sociology of

knowledge and global social movements. His talk is sponsored by the TransAfrica Project.

Seminar: Elizabeth McCartney, international programs, will present a seminar on "How to Create a Sustainable Study Abroad Program" at noon on Thursday, Nov. 16, in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge. The talk is sponsored by the International Programs Office.

Film: "HIV/AIDS in South Africa: A Viewing of the Film 'Yesterday'" will be presented at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 16, in Corey Union Exhibition Lounge and will be followed by a discussion. The 2004 film depicts the struggle of a young South African woman named Yesterday who discovers that she is infected with HIV. The event is sponsored by the Health Department.

International Lunch: Turkish and Japanese students will prepare foods from their countries from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 17, in the Corey Union Caleion Room. A slideshow presenting traditional meanings behind food accompanied by music will follow lunch.

Conference: A conference titled "The Language of Violence: Critical Thinking about War and Peace," will take place from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 18, in Corey Union. Scholars from several universities will present 20 papers on how language has changed in the post-Sept. 11, 2001 era. The keynote speaker will be Gail Presbey, a philosophy professor from the University of Detroit Mercy, who will discuss "The Language of the Global War on Terror," at 11:15 a.m. in Corey Union Fireplace Lounge. The conference fee is \$10, including lunch, but attendance at the talk by Presbey is free. The event is sponsored by the Central New York Consortium for Peace, the SUNY Cortland Philosophy Department and the Campus Artist and Lecture Series (CALS).

At SUNY Cortland, International Education Week is sponsored by the James M. Clark Center for International Education, the International Studies Program and the International Programs Office. For more information, contact Steck at ext. 4807.



College Promotes Two University Police Officers

SUNY Cortland recently promoted two University Police Department employees, Mark DePaull and Paul VanValkenburg, to higher ranks.

DePaull was elevated from lieutenant to assistant chief of police. He began his new duties on Nov. 2.

As assistant chief of police, DePaull is responsible for managing the day-to-day police departmental operations and assisting Chief of Police Steven P. Dangler. He also coordinates law enforcement and safety for special events occurring on campus.

After joining the University Police Department in 1990 as a patrol officer, DePaull was promoted to lieutenant in 2001. He earned an A.A.S. in police science from Erie Community College in Buffalo, N.Y. He lives in Cortland with his wife, Jennifer, and their two children.

VanValkenburg was promoted from officer to investigator this past September.

In his new position, VanValkenburg initiates investigations for violations of law and campus regulations. He also maintains liaisons with other campus offices.

VanValkenburg joined the University Police Department in 1988 as a patrol officer. He holds an A.A.S. degree in natural resource conservation from Community College of the Finger Lakes in Canandaigua, N.Y. He resides in Truxton, N.Y., with his wife, Janice, and their three children.

Burd to Discuss John Ruskin and X-Rated Prose on Nov. 8

Van Akin Burd, a recognized authority on the life of 19th century English writer John Ruskin, has chosen to discuss erotica, a titillating aspect of his most recent research, on Wednesday, Nov. 8, in Memorial Library.

Burd, a 1973 SUNY Distinguished Professor of English who retired from SUNY Cortland in 1979, will present "An Adventure with John Ruskin and some Erotica in our College Library. X-Rated!" from 4-5:30 p.m. in the first floor Library Conference Room.

Presented by the Friends of the Library, the lecture is free and open to the public.

"My lecture will be light and funny and informative," said Burd. "I want people to experience the adventure of research."

Burd has vigorously pursued the study of Ruskin for more than 54 years, including the 27 years until his retirement from the College and another 27 years until the present.

The editor of numerous essays and four books of letters by the influential literary figure and those in his circle, Burd is currently working on an article about Ruskin's life during his college years at Oxford University.

"He was brought up by a very evangelical, religious family and read from the Bible every day," Burd said. "At Oxford he was naïve and probably didn't mix too well with the other boys. He was an angel, writing love poetry,

while I presume the other boys were writing poems, too, but not as 'nice' ones."

Letters and artifacts relating to Ruskin can be found on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean. Recently at Memorial Library, a reference encyclopedia steered Burd to three antique volumes of rare, naughty verse and prose written by youths during Ruskin's lifetime. In addition to these books in Memorial Library, Burd also found a lead to corresponding anthologies located in a British library.

Burd estimates that in his lifetime he's traveled a dozen times to Great Britain with additional trips to Italy in pursuit of his almost life-long curiosity about Ruskin. The first SUNY Cortland faculty member to obtain a SUNY Research Foundation grant to support his work, his travel was supported by numerous awards from the College as well as scholarly societies including the American Philosophical Society, and the American Council of Learned Societies.

"Ruskin's a fascinating personality once you get to know the details," Burd said. "He had a lot of good ideas."

"During my most recent trip, I visited Ruskin's final home in the Lake District and they let me sleep in his bed," Burd said.

For more information, contact Access Services Librarian Lorraine Melita at ext. 4009.

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

High School Students Will Attend Leadership Conference on Campus

Approximately 150 students and 20 adult advisors from 13 area high schools who are interested in honing their leadership skills are registered to attend the 11th annual High School Leadership Day on Wednesday, Nov. 15, on campus.

Sponsored by the Center for Educational Exchange, the event, which has sold out again this year, takes place from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Corey Union.

The conference, designed on the theme of "Building Tomorrow's Leaders," is geared for students in grades 9-12, student counselors, club advisors and coaches. The interactive conference has a two-tier program format to address the different needs of both beginner and experienced student leaders. It is

designed for high school students and their advisors who wish to attend leadership skills workshops, meet students and advisors from other schools and be inspired by leaders from a variety of career backgrounds.

Lisa Kahle, academic computing services, will deliver an interactive keynote address titled "Discovering Your Leadership Style."

Activity-based workshops will include "Creating Positive First Impressions," "Understanding Leadership Styles," "Developing Management Skills" and "Making Effective Decisions." One session will address the interests of high school advisors.

Participating local public school educators will include: Steve Woodard, executive principal at Cortland Junior-Senior High

School; Doug Van Etten, assistant principal at Homer High School; and David Rosetti, principal at Marathon High School.

In addition to Kahle, SUNY Cortland faculty and staff who will participate include Kim Dutton, campus activities and Corey Union; Louis Larson, career services; Cindy Lake, residential services; and Anne Scharmberg, graduate assistant in campus activities and Corey Union. Students in the College's Lead@cortland program will also take part.

For more information, contact Karen Siebert at the Center for Educational Exchange at ext. 5660.

Fall Semester Concludes with Events, Concerts, Exhibits and More

The following events will take place on campus through the remainder of the semester.

Art Exhibition: Dowd Fine Arts Gallery will hold its "Studio Art Faculty Biennial" exhibition from Tuesday, Nov. 7 through Monday, Dec. 18. The opening reception is scheduled for 5 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 10. The artists will discuss their work beginning at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 14, and Wednesday, Nov. 15. All programs are free and open to the public. The artworks on display will include pieces by faculty members including Jeremiah Donovan, Lori Ellis, Charles Heasley, Lori Hepner, Jenn McNamara, Vaughn Randall, Elizabeth Sharp and Bryan Thomas. The exhibition is free and open to the public. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, call Gallery Director Barbara Racker at ext. 4216.

Lecture: Jon M. Sweeney, author of *Born Again and Again*, offers a compelling "insider's look" at Christian fundamentalism, at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 9, in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge. (See story on page 4) His free lecture, part of a yearlong series on the theme of "Fundamentally Speaking," was organized by the Cultural and Intellectual Climate Committee. For more information, contact Kevin Sheets, history, at ext. 2060.

Reading and Discussion: Memorial Library's monthly series titled "Let's Talk About It: Jewish Literature - Identity and Imagination" continues on Thursday, Nov. 16, with a discussion of *The Puttermesser Papers*.

The series will conclude with *Angels in America* on Thursday, Dec. 7. All lectures are held at 7 p.m. in the library's Teaching Materials Center.

Concerts: The following concerts will be performed at 8 p.m. in the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre. Sponsored by the Performing Arts Department, they are free and open to the public:

Tuesday, Nov. 7: Election Day Faculty Recital with pianists Donna Anderson, Karen Zimmerman and Marina Gorelaya, performing arts. The concert will feature music for two pianos and one piano, six hands. Music will include works by Georges Bizet, Felix Mendelssohn, Aram Khachaturian, Sergei Rachmaninoff, Wilhelm F. E. Bach, Dmitri Shostakovich, and Darius Milhaud.

Thursday, Nov. 9: The College Singers, under the direction of Stephen Wilson, performing arts. The program will include a variety of selections from classical and popular music. Compositions by Tallis, Thompson, del Encina, Brahms, Ravel, Porter and Gershwin will be heard, and the featured student soloists will be Kimberly Moore, Julie Lemmon, Stephanie Halbedel, Danielle Borkowski, Danielle Harting and Jaime Auspelmeyer. Peter Cirka will also perform as solo pianist.

Tuesday, Nov. 14: The College-Community Orchestra, under the direction of Ralph Dudgeon, performing arts.

Tuesday, Nov. 28: The Choral Union, a college-community choral group conducted by Stephen Wilson, performing arts.

Tuesday, Dec. 5: SUNY Cortland's annual Holiday Concert, featuring orchestral and choral music and the traditional sing-along of seasonal songs.

Ballet: The SUNY Cortland production of the "Nutcracker," co-produced by the Performing Arts Department and the Performing Arts Institute, will be presented 7 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 2, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 3, at the Dowd Fine Arts Center. Tickets are \$12 for the general public, \$10 for senior citizens and SUNY Cortland faculty and staff, and \$7 for all students. Tickets are on sale at Jodi's Hallmark Shop, 15 Main St., Cortland, and will also be sold at each performance. For more information, call the department at ext. 2811 or visit its Web site at www.suny.edu/performingarts.

Community Roundtable: Panelists will discuss "Pearl Harbor Remembered: What Have We Learned in 65 Years?" from 7:45-9 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 7, in the Park Center Hall of Fame Room. Sponsored by the President's Office and the Center for Educational Exchange, the event is free. Refreshments will be served at 7:45 a.m.

Will Richardson, Edu-Tech Consultant, to Speak on Nov. 7

Will Richardson, an internationally known 'evangelist' for Web logs and related Internet technologies in the classroom, will speak on Tuesday, Nov. 7.

Richardson, the president of the educational technology company Connective Learning, will discuss his book, *Blogs, Wikis, Podcasts and other Powerful Web Tools for Classrooms*, at noon in The Bookmark at Memorial Library. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Published in March by Corwin Press, *Blogs* is fast becoming a best seller.

"Having the world of information at our fingertips on the Web was in itself a powerful transformation, but being able to contribute our own knowledge and ideas and collaborate in the construction of content is even more powerful," says Richardson, a New Jersey high school teacher who was featured on cover of *Teacher* magazine's October issue.

A classroom teacher for more than 20 years, Richardson currently supervises instructional technology at Hunterdon Central Regional High School in Flemington, N.J., where he also oversees a Weblog program of more than 400 sites. One of the first educator bloggers, his own Weblog has been featured in the *New York Times*, *Washington Times* and *Syllabus*.

"What needs to change about our curriculum when our students have the ability to reach audiences far beyond our classroom walls?" asks Richardson. "What changes must we make in our teaching as it becomes easier to bring primary sources to our students? How do we need to rethink our ideas of literacy when we must prepare our students to become not only readers and writers but editors and collaborators as well? How do we best put to use the reams and reams of 'digital paper' that this new 'writeable' Web provides?"

Richardson is also the featured guest for graduate education students enrolled in the course titled Computers and the Study of English at 4 p.m. in the Macintosh Laboratory in Old Main, Room G-17. Space is limited but visitors may attend by contacting Karen Stearns, English, in advance, at stearnsk@cortland.edu.

Richardson's visit to campus was organized and sponsored by Stearns and Alex Reid, English. Co-sponsors include the Childhood/Early Childhood Education Department, the Center for Advancement of Technology in Education, the Education Club, and the international Web magazine *NeoVox*.

For more information, contact Reid at reida@cortland.edu or Stearns at stearnsk@cortland.edu.



Sports Schedule

Capital Letters Denote Home Games

Wednesday, Nov. 8

Field Hockey — NCAA Div. III First Round, TBA

Thursday, Nov. 9

Women's Volleyball — NCAA Div. III First Round, TBA

Friday, Nov. 10

MEN'S ICE HOCKEY vs. Buffalo St., 7 p.m.
Women's Volleyball — NCAA Div. III Second Round, TBA

Saturday, Nov. 11

FOOTBALL vs. Ithaca, 12 p.m.
MEN'S ICE HOCKEY vs. Fredonia, 7 p.m.
Wrestling at Syracuse Open, 10 a.m.
Men's/Women's Swimming and Diving at Brockport (with Potsdam and Geneseo), 1 p.m.
Men's/Women's Cross Country — NCAA Div. III Atlantic Regionals, TBA at Letchworth State Park; Castile, N.Y.
Field Hockey — NCAA Div. III Second Round, TBA
Women's Volleyball — NCAA Div. III Third Round, TBA
Women's Soccer — NCAA Div. III First Round, TBA

Sunday, Nov. 12

Field Hockey — NCAA Div. III Quarterfinals, TBA
Women's Soccer — NCAA Div. III Second Round, TBA

Tuesday, Nov. 14

WRESTLING vs. Oswego, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 16

Women's Volleyball — NCAA Div. III Quarterfinals, TBA at Salem, Va.

Friday, Nov. 17

MEN'S ICE HOCKEY vs. Oswego, 7 p.m.
Women's Basketball vs. Delaware Valley (Pa.), 1 p.m. at Muhlenberg (Pa.) Tournament
Women's Ice Hockey at Hamilton, 7 p.m.
Field Hockey — NCAA Div. III Semifinals, TBA at William Smith College; Geneva, N.Y.
Women's Volleyball — NCAA Div. III Semifinals, TBA at Salem, Va.

Saturday, Nov. 18

MEN'S/WOMEN'S SWIMMING and DIVING vs. Morrisville, 1 p.m.
WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY vs. Hamilton, 2 p.m.
Wrestling at Oneonta Invitational, 9 a.m.
Men's Basketball at CCNY, 1 p.m.
Women's Basketball vs. N.C. Wesleyan or Muhlenberg (Pa.), 1 or 6 p.m. at Muhlenberg (Pa.) Tournament
Men's/Women's Cross Country — NCAA Div. III Championships, TBA at Voice of America Park; Wilmington, Ohio
Field Hockey — NCAA Div. III Finals, TBA at William Smith College; Geneva, N.Y.
Football — NCAA Div. III First Round, TBA
Women's Soccer — NCAA Div. III Third Round, TBA
Women's Volleyball — NCAA Div. III Finals, TBA at Salem, Va.

Sunday, Nov. 19

Women's Soccer — NCAA Div. III Quarterfinals, TBA

Coming Events

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Wednesday, Nov. 15

Wellness Wednesday Series: "Feel Better: Help with Depression, Stress and Insomnia," Richard Peagler, student affairs, Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 7 p.m.

Native American Film Festival: "Johnny Tootall," Old Main Brown Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 16

Professional Women's Lunch: Corey Union, Room 209, 12-1 p.m.

Sandwich Seminar: "How to Create a Sustainable Study Abroad Program," Liz McCartney, international programs, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 12:30 p.m.

Book Talk Series: "Let's Talk About It: Jewish Literature – Identity and Imagination," will discuss the book, *The Puttermesser Papers*, Memorial Library Teaching Materials Center, 7 p.m. Registration is required; respond to <http://library.cortland.edu/>

Tournées Film Festival: "L'Auberge Espanole," Old Main Brown Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Film and Discussion: "HIV/AIDS in South Africa: A Viewing of the Film 'Yesterday,'" Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 7 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 17

Lunch Presentation: Turkish and Japanese students will prepare foods from their countries, Corey Union Caleion Room, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Fundraiser: Relay For Life of SUNY Cortland, Lusk Field House, 7 p.m. through 7 a.m. Nov. 18

Saturday, Nov. 18

\$ Conference: "The Language of Violence: Critical Thinking about War and Peace," Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Speaker: "The Language of the Global War on Terror," Gail Presbey, a philosophy professor from the University of Detroit Mercy, Corey Union Fireplace Lounge, 11:15 a.m.

Sunday, Nov. 19

Turkey Giveaway: Ice skating, Alumni Arena, 1-3 p.m.

Faculty-Staff Activities

Hazel Cramer, international communications and culture emerita, and **Hongli Fan**, **Tim Gerhard**, **Marie Ponterio** and **Robert Ponterio**, international communications and culture, hosted 25 exchange students from Bourg-en-Bresse, France, in a variety of French classes on Oct. 27. The students are currently living with families of French students at Cortland Senior High School. The exchange is organized by the Cortland High School Foreign Language Department Chair Cynthia Hering. SUNY Cortland students spent the day interacting with French students on campus.

Janet Duncan, foundations and social advocacy, has been invited to an international rehabilitation conference in Tiruchiappalli, Tamil Nadu, Southern India, in December. The conference is attended by several hundred professionals and persons with disabilities from around the world. Duncan has been asked to give a plenary session talk on "Assistive Technology and Communication Rights for Persons with Disabilities." This area of scholarship and advocacy is a major focus of the United Nations for persons with disabilities and a UN resolution is currently being developed to address these issues.

Thomas Hischak, performing arts, has signed a contract with McFarland Publishers to write *The Complete Guide to Broadway*, a two-volume reference work that covers New York theatre from colonial times through 2007.

Ellen Jampole, literacy, attended and presented at the 50th annual meeting of the College Reading Association held Oct. 26-29 in Pittsburgh, Pa. The theme of the conference was "Three Rivers of Literacy Knowledge: World, Self, and Word." As president-elect of the organization, she also planned the conference. She presented a workshop with **Pamela F. Summers**, literacy, "KISS (Keep It Simple, Scholars) and Tell (it like it is, but tactfully)," about submitting and reviewing proposals. Elected as vice president in 2004, she has served as vice president, president-elect, and now has taken over as president. She will follow her current term with two more years of service to the College Reading Association, as past-president and awards chair and past past-president and elections chair.

Richard Kendrick, sociology/anthropology, was a member of the task force that wrote and edited the monograph, *Electoral Voices: Engaging College Students in Elections*, published by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities as an "American Democracy Project Best Practices Guide." SUNY Cortland's 2004 voter registration campaign is included as one of the case studies and Kendrick co-authored one of the chapters, "Voter Education." Copies are available for loan in the Service-Learning Office, located in Memorial Library's Learning Commons.

Mechthild Nagel and **Kathy Russell**, philosophy, have recently published articles in Anatole Anton and Richard Schmitt's edited collection *Toward a New Socialism* (Lexington Books). Nagel's paper is titled "The Role of Prisons in a Socialist Future or: The Incorrigible Ethos of Incarceration" and Russell's paper is on "Multiculturalism as Solidarity: Globalizing Resistance."

Marie Ponterio and **Robert Ponterio**, international communications and culture, are co-authors of the new three-level French textbook series *Bien Dit!* (Demado, Champeny, Ponterio, & Ponterio), HRW. The first book in the series is now in print, books two and three to follow shortly. The Ponterios wrote culture materials for these texts.

Paulo Quaglio and **Patricia Martínez de la Vega Mansilla**, international communications and culture, presented a paper titled "Testing the Efficacy of Corpus-based Materials in a Spanish as a Foreign Language Course" at the seventh annual American Association of Applied Corpus Linguistics conference held Oct. 20-22 in Flagstaff, Ariz.

Robert Spitzer, political science, participated in two panels at a conference on "Presidential Power in America: The Constitution, the Defense of a Nation and the National Ethos" held Oct. 14-15 at the Massachusetts School of Law. He gave a presentation on "The Unitary Executive and the Commander-in-Chief Power" for a panel on "The Sovereign Powers, the President, and Congress," and was a discussant for a panel on "The Culpability of Congress."

Karen Stearns, English, and graduate students in the M.A.T. program, **Jack Hazen**, **Dawn Larson**, **Matt Fuentes**, **Chrissy Gates**, **Dave Emke** and **James Beach**, presented "Beyond the Outsiders: Radical Change in YA Literature," at the annual New York State English Council conference held in October in Albany. Students' presentations focused on Native American and Middle Eastern literatures for young adults; science fiction, fantasy and graphic novels/memoirs appropriate for adolescent readers; and representations of body image and eating disorders in young adult novels.

Pamela F. Summers, literacy, attended and presented at the 50th annual meeting of the College Reading Association held Oct. 26-29 in Pittsburgh, Pa. The theme of the conference was "Three Rivers of Literacy Knowledge: World, Self, and Word." She presented a workshop with **Ellen Jampole**, literacy, "KISS (Keep It Simple, Scholars) and Tell (it like it is, but tactfully)." In addition, Summers presented a session, "Using What We Know to Get What We Want," about teaching literacy and the promotion and tenure process. She is also co-chair of the organization's Reading Room. In this role, she is responsible for soliciting books from publishers as well as from the College Reading Association's published authors. These books are auctioned to raise money for the J. Estill Alexander Scholarship fund, which helps support graduate students' conference attendance.

Mark P. Worrell, sociology/anthropology, organized two critical theory sessions and presented a paper on the Frankfurt School's tradition of methodological innovation at the Rethinking Marxism Conference held Oct. 27 in Amherst, Mass.

Arden Zipp, chemistry, was co-presenter of a workshop for approximately 45 new International Baccalaureate (IB) chemistry teachers that was held recently in St. Pete Beach, Fla. He was joined by two experienced IB chemistry teachers from Florida and British Columbia. The IB program is currently growing by approximately 10 percent per year in the United States and requires that every teacher attend at least one teacher training workshop.

Coming Events

Monday, Nov. 6

National Non-Traditional Students Week Open House: Van Hoesen Hall, Room A-28, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 7

Exhibition: "Studio Art Faculty Biennial," art and art history faculty display, Dowd Fine Arts Gallery, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Speaker: Will Richardson, will discuss his book, *Blogs, Wikis, Podcasts and other Powerful Web Tools for Classrooms*, Memorial Library, The Bookmark, noon.

National Non-Traditional Students Week Movie: "Educating Rita," Memorial Library Conference Room, 4:30 p.m.

Faculty Recital: Pianists Donna Anderson, Karen Zimmerman and Marina Gorelaya, performing arts, Dowd Fine Arts Theatre, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 8

Sandwich Seminar: "Who Are Our Non-Trads? Are They N.U.T.S.?" Regina Grantham, speech pathology and audiology, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 12:30 p.m.

Brooks Museum Lecture Series:

"Democracy Assistance and the Missionary Impulse In Southeastern Europe," Chip Gagnon, Ithaca College, Cornish Hall, Room D-304, 4:30 p.m. Reception to begin at 4 p.m. in Cornish Hall, Room D-312.

Speaker: "An Adventure with John Ruskin and Some Erotica in our College Library. X-Rated!" Van Akin Burd, Memorial Library first floor conference room, 4-5:30 p.m.

Wellness Wednesday Series: "What Men and Women Always Wanted to Know About Each Other, But Were Afraid to Ask," Stephen Smith, counseling center, Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 7 p.m.

Native American Film Festival: "Edge of America," Old Main Brown Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 9

Speaker: "Too Many Hats, Too Little Time: Balancing Classes and the Non-Traditional Student Life," Stephen Smith, counseling center, Van Hoesen Hall, Room A-28, 10 a.m.

Sandwich Seminar: "Bringing Marginalized Communities into the Cuban Revolution," Kathy Russell, philosophy, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, noon.

Fundamentally Speaking Series

Lecture: Jon M. Sweeney, author of *Born Again and Again*, offers an "insider's look" at Christian fundamentalism, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 7:30 p.m.

Concert: College Singers, Dowd Fine Arts Theatre, 8 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 10

Fall 2006 Open House: Park Center, 10:15 a.m.

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

Monday, Nov. 13

Tournées Film Festival: "Monsieur Ibrahim," Old Main Brown Auditorium, 4:15 p.m.

Speaker: "Why Universities Are Not Learning Organizations and What Can Be Done About It: An International Action Research Approach to Higher Education Reform," Davydd J. Greenwood, Cornell University, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 4:30 p.m.

Performance: Afro-Cuban Drum Group, Somos Diferentes, Blue Frog Coffee House, 64 Main St., Cortland, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 14

Faculty Senate Meeting: Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 1:10 p.m.

Concert: Cortland College-Community Orchestra, Dowd Fine Arts Theatre, 8 p.m.

\$ Taste of Asia: Corey Union Function Room, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 15

Conference: High School Leadership Day, sponsored by the Center for Educational Exchange, Corey Union, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Sandwich Seminar: "Africa in the Age of Terror," Bill Martin, Binghamton University, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 12:30 p.m.

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