SUNY Cortland to Celebrate Bishop Hall Renovation on Nov. 1

The College will celebrate the recently completed renovation of the residential facility, Bishop Hall, with a grand reopening on Wednesday, Nov. 1.

Residential Services has organized a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 3 p.m. in the lobby of Bishop Hall, followed by an open house and reception. Michael Holland, residential services, will serve as master of ceremonies. Remarks will be offered by President Erik J. Bitterbaum, Richard Peagler, student affairs, and Jeffrey Lallas, facilities planning design and construction. The event is free and open to the public. Visitors are asked to R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, Oct. 25, to ext. 4723 or lellam@cortland.edu.

Constructed in 1959, the building was dedicated in 1962 to Maria W. Bishop, an 1880 graduate of the Cortland Normal School who headed its School of Practice from 1890-1906, except for a one-year fellowship at Cambridge University in England and a one-year sabbatical at New York University. She died in 1943 at the age of 83.

The building is one of six three-story residence halls built about the same time to house 175 students apiece.

Bishop Hall underwent approximately $4 million in redesign and construction work, starting in December 2005 when its resident students were relocated to other facilities on campus. King & King Associates of Syracuse, N.Y., designed the improvements and Simmons Contracting of Sidney, N.Y., completed the construction this summer in time for students enrolled for the Fall 2006 semester. The New York State Dormitory Authority raises the money for major residence hall projects, which is repaid by SUNY Colleges through a debt service using student rental fees.

Seven of the College's 16 residence halls, most of them more than 40 years old and never before upgraded, have been renovated since 1996, Holland said. This is being done to make on-campus life more attractive to approximately 3,000 students.

Bishop is the first residence hall to remove the conventional telephone hookup and add two Internet portals per student, Holland noted. That's in keeping with the demands of students, who have tossed out their "land-line" telephones in favor of cellular phones and want greater Web access.

Shea Hall, Bishop's twin building across the quad, is next in line to close in December for renovations and to reopen for students in Fall 2007.
SEFA Campaign Begins on Campus; Committee Volunteers Named

SUNY Cortland kicked off its 2006-07 State Employees Federated Appeal (SEFA) campaign on Wednesday, Oct. 18, with a noon luncheon for volunteers in Corey Union. The campaign, which relies upon state employee volunteers to canvas co-workers for donations, will continue until Wednesday, 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.

“SEFA is a convenient and effective way for those of us who work at SUNY Cortland to contribute to the betterment of our community, our country and the world as a whole,” said SEFA Campaign Chair Herb Haines, sociology/anthropology. “Payroll deduction is really an incredibly painless way to do our part, because there are no checks to write and everything is taken care of for us. It really can’t get much easier than that. And SEFA also gives us the flexibility to direct our contributions to the organizations we care about the most, if we choose to.”

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

Michelle Congdon of the Human Resources Office is this year’s campus campaign vice-chair. Local members of the Cortland County SEFA Committee include: Teri Arnold, Public Employees Federation (PEF); Cynthia Eberhart, federated campaign coordinator for the United Way for Cortland County; Gary Evans, management/confidential; Laurie Klotz, United University Professions (UUP); Steve Lundberg, PEF; Tom Pasquarello, UUP; Teri Phelps, Civil Service Employees Association (CSEA); Antoinette Tiburzi, Cortland County SEFA chair; and Melinda Van Etten, CSEA.

Campus volunteers include the following: Dianne Bays, custodial services; Leslie Anne Bellardini, health; Sue Bishop, university police; Jean Brown, residential services; Lori Crandall, childhood/early childhood education; Gail Cutler, enrollment management; Deborah Dintino, political science; Alex Evangelista, custodial services; Elaine Galaska, library; Dianne Galutz, administrative computing; Sheila Gregoire, education; Shary Guingo, speech pathology and audiology; Sandra Harzinski, advisement and transition.

Gerald S. Fain, Leisure Education Scholar, Will Give Metcalf Lecture at Recreation Conference Nov. 2-3

Gerald S. Fain, a scholar noted for his interdisciplinary studies on the application of medical research to the health and education of children with the most perplexing problems of attention, memory and behavior, will deliver the prestigious Metcalf Endowment Lecture at this year’s 56th annual SUNY Cortland Recreation Conference from Nov. 2-3.

Fain is a professor in the Leisure Studies Education Program, Human Development and Education at the Boston University School of Education. His talk, “Global Civil Society: The Despairing Optimist,” begins at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 3, in the Corey Union Function Room. The lecture is free and open to the public.

“Focus on Recreation: A Closer Look at Health, Commercialism and Environment” is the theme of the two-day gathering, the nation’s oldest continuous collegiate-sponsored recreation education conference. Sponsored by the College’s Recreation and Leisure Studies Department, the conference receives additional support for its Metcalf Lecture from the Metcalf Endowment.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. on both Thursday and Friday in Corey Union. The fee is $85 for professionals and $40 for students for both days; $70 for professionals and $40 for students to attend Thursday only; and $65 for professionals and $40 for students to attend Friday only. The additional cost to receive Continuing Education unit (CEU) credits is $8. The registration fee includes meals. Additional information may be obtained by calling ext. 4939, by e-mailing recconf@cortland.edu or online at www.cortland.edu/rec, where the brochure and registration form may be viewed or printed.

The conference will offer more than 30 educational sessions and practical workshops on recreation management, therapeutic recreation, outdoor recreation, environmental education, and leisure and society.

Approximately 400 recreation professionals and college recreation majors are expected to participate in the conference.

See the complete story, including Cortland alumni presenting at this year’s conference, online at www.cortland.edu/news.
SUNY Cortland to Sponsor French Film Series

SUNY Cortland will showcase contemporary French cinema beginning Friday, Oct. 27, when it launches a film series funded by the French American Cultural Exchange (FACE).

The Tourcées (tour-nay) Festival will open with a 3 p.m. viewing of the 2005 film “Cache” (Hidden), a psychological thriller about a French couple who discovers they are being secretly videotaped. All the films are free of charge and will be shown in Old Main Brown Auditorium.

The festival is the first at the College to focus on award-winning French films and was funded by an $1,800 grant from FACE, a nonprofit organization dedicated to nurturing French-American relations through international projects in the arts, education and cultural exchange.

“This is a great opportunity for our students to have exposure to fine film and especially those represented by the French cinema,” said Scott Anderson, geography, who organized the festival. “We hope that this will become an ongoing festival for our students.”

Maasai Educators to Visit Cortland Oct. 20-27

Three Simba Maasai cultural performers from Kenya, Africa, will share the practices of their community through song, dance, storytelling and a lecture during their weeklong visit.

As guests in residence of the Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies (MGS) from Friday, Oct. 20–Friday, Oct. 27, these members of a nomadic, pastoral people living in the Rift Valley of Eastern Africa will meet not only with the college students but with groups of children at school districts in Cortland and Onondaga County.

They will give a presentation titled “Maasai Traditions and Globalization” at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 24, in the Corey Union Exhibition Lounge. The event is free and open to the public. The Maasai visitors plan to demonstrate a Maasai peace ceremony and discuss peace and conflict resolution; perform Maasai traditional songs, dramatized in an entertaining way; explain the Maasai belief systems, sacrifices and ceremonies; offer storytelling for all ages; discuss family life; explain their community leadership and political structure; and define their belief of the relationship between nature, environment, God and people.

The three educators — John Sakuda, Jane Nasarian, and Susan Sakuda — are founding members of the registered non-governmental organization called Simba Maasai Outreach Organization (SIMOO). The group, which has been coming to Cortland since 2002, seeks to improve living standards of the poorest Maasai community members and to celebrate and preserve the most valuable Maasai traditions. Susan Sakuda’s husband, Francis Sakuda, head of SIMOO, was unable to visit Cortland this year because he is supervising the drilling of wells in his community.

SIMOO has successfully renovated a dam, which helped this pastoral group greatly by providing drinking water for cattle and goats, explained interim MGS chair Sheila Cohen, literacy. They also run an educational center on Maasai culture and indigenous medicinal plants. SIMOO strives to increase mutual knowledge and understanding in order to combat detrimental stereotypes of Africa and minimize the marginalization of the Maasai in the global community.

Many of their activities including those on campus will be open to the public. For more information, contact the Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies by phone at ext. 5784 or via e-mail at mgs@cornell.edu. The visit is also supported by the Education Club, the Model United Nations Club, and Women of Color.

Native American Author Will Speak on Oct. 30

John C. Mohawk, a columnist for Indian Country Today who directs the Center of Indigenous Studies at SUNY Buffalo’s Center for the Americas, will discuss the origins of the ideology of white supremacy on Monday, Oct. 30.

Mohawk, a noted author, speaker and scholar on the history and politics of Native Americans, will discuss “The Papal Bulls of the 15th Century and the Origin of the Ideology of White Supremacy,” at 7 p.m. in the Corey Union Function Room.

Presented by the College’s Native American Studies Program with support from the Cortland College Foundation and Campus Artists and Lecture Series, the lecture is free and open to the public.

Mohawk, a member of the Seneca Nation’s Turtle Clan, is widely recognized as a leading scholar of Seneca culture and history. An associate professor in SUNY Buffalo’s American Studies Department, he graduated from Hartwick College and earned a master’s degree in American Studies and a doctorate from SUNY Buffalo.

He has written many books, including his latest, Iroquois Creation Story: John Arthur Gibson and J.N.B. Hewitt’s Myth of the Earth Gasper. He also wrote Utopian Legacies: A History of Conquest and Oppression in the Western World, about the impact of revitalization movements on the history and culture of Western Civilization. In 1992, he co-authored with Oren Lyons Exiled in the Land of the Free. In the 1970s, he wrote The Red Buffalo and was a contributing writer to A Basic Call to Consciousness, a book about the issues taken by the Six Nations Iroquois Confederacy to a Conference in Geneva, Switzerland, in an effort to establish international law standards for rights of indigenous peoples.

Mohawk served from 1967 to 1983 as editor for Akwesasne Notes, a journal of signal importance to the movement of Indian people seeking human and civil rights.

He represented the publication during a fact-finding trip to Teheran, Iran, during the 1980 American Embassy hostage crisis. From 1987 to 1995, Mohawk served as editor for Daybreak, a national magazine that focused on Native American and indigenous topics.

For more information, contact Dawn Van Hall, co-coordinator of Native American Studies, at ext. 4890.
‘Pippin’ Opens Oct. 27

The Performing Arts Department will present the magical Broadway musical comedy “Pippin” for six performances, between Oct. 27 and Nov. 5, in the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre.

This farcical and tuneful romp, with book by Roger O. Hirson and music and lyrics by Stephen Schwartz, is about the eager youth Pippin (Dick Baker), son of Charlemagne (Steve Cottonaro), who searches for the meaning of life by exploring war, sex, politics and, finally, domestic love. His journey is enacted by a group of traveling performers led by the leading player (Joshua Williams) as Pippin encounters such characters as his worldly stepmother Fastrada (Natalie Bain), his obnoxious stepbrother Lewis (Eric Wolff), the loving Catherine (Colleen Johnson), and his wily grandmother Berthe (Barbara Jo Williams).

Filled with songs including “Magic to Do,” “Corner of the Sky,” “No Time at All,” and “Morning Glow,” the pop score is one of Broadway’s liveliest. Composer-lyricist Schwartz also wrote the musical hits “Godspell” and “Wicked.” “Pippin” opened on Broadway in 1972 and ran for 1,944 performances, winning several Tony Awards. The musical is set in a mock Middle Ages with all kinds of modern slang and attitudes present, making it a comic delight.

The SUNY Cortland production of “Pippin” is directed and choreographed by Kevin Halpin with musical direction by David Neil, scenic design by Howard Lindh, costumes by Travis Lope, and lighting and sound design by Joel Pape, all from the Performing Arts Department.

Performances of “Pippin” are Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. with Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Tickets prices are $16 general public, $14 senior citizens and SUNY faculty and staff, and $7 for all students. Tickets are on sale at Jodi’s Hallmark Shop on Main Street, Cortland, and at the door before each performance. The musical is recommended for mature audiences only. The Cortland Fund is a co-sponsor of this production.

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

African American Gospel Music Festival Set for Nov. 5

Six guest choirs will raise their voices in praise with the SUNY Cortland Gospel Choir during the 21st African American Gospel Music Festival on Sunday, Nov. 5. The festival will begin at 4 p.m. in Old Main Browd Auditorium. A reception will follow on the third floor Old Main mezzanine.

The event is open to the public. Tickets are $2 for students, $4 for faculty, staff and senior citizens and $5 for general admission. Proceeds will support the Gospel Choir’s 2007 England Tour.

Katie Boyes, president of the Student Government Association, will extend the welcome on behalf of the College. Rev. G. Gregg Murray, pastor of the Southern Missionary Baptist Church in Syracuse, N.Y., will present the invocation.

As the host choir, SUNY Cortland Gospel Choir will open the festival. Making their first appearance at the festival are the Canisius College and SUNY Oneonta choirs. Returning as popular favorites are the Binghamton University Gospel Choir, Ithaca College Amani Gospel Choir, SUNY Oswego Gospel Choir and Syracuse University’s Black Celestial Choral Ensemble.

Each choir has been asked to present two songs, one gospel and one a cappella. A mass choir featuring all the choirs together will sing the ever popular “Total Praise.”

Directing Cortland’s Gospel Choir will be Robert Brown, African American Studies and music teacher at Blodgett Elementary School in Syracuse. He also serves as music director of the New Life Community Church in Syracuse.

Choir musicians are drummer Drew Hill of Dryden, N.Y., a junior English major at the College; Andy Rudy on keyboard; and Reginald Siegler on bass guitar, the latter two from Syracuse.

Choir officers this year are Cassandra Peters, president, a health sciences major from Horseheads, N.Y.; Howara Markao, vice-president, a graduate student in education from Calicoon, N.Y.; Sulema Iriarte, treasurer, an early childhood education major from Staten Island, N.Y.; Stephen Williams, secretary, a senior African American studies major from Syracuse; Abby Grabou, tour manager, a senior psychology major from Bolivar, N.Y.; and Dot Thomas ’77, alumni officer, from Cortland.

Sponsored by African American studies, the festival is also supported by the Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies, the Alumni Affairs Office, the Division of Student Affairs, the Offices of the President, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, and the student activity fee.

For more information, contact Samuel L. Kelley, communication studies, at kelleys@cortland.edu or Seth Asumah, African American studies, at ext. 2064 or asumahs@cortland.edu, or visit the Gospel Choir Web site at web.cortland.edu/gospelc.

Conservator to Discuss Saving Paintings on Oct. 24

Susan Blakney, founder and chief conservator at West Lake Conservators in Skaneateles, N.Y., will discuss “Saving Paintings: A Comprehensive Lecture on Their Preservation” on Tuesday, Oct. 24.

The lecture, at 7 p.m. in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, is free and open to the public.

Blakney’s illustrated presentation will provide an overview of the conservation and preservation of paintings. She will highlight examples of a variety of conservation treatments, which illustrate the causes of deterioration and preservation measures undertaken to cure existing problems and prevent unnecessary future damage. Before and after images will be included.

Blakney has 34 years of professional experience in painting conservation. She achieved the distinction of Fellow in both the American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works and the International Institute for Conservation (IIC). She received a B.A. in Studio Art from the University of Kentucky in 1969 and began her career path in London, England, in the private studio of IIC Fellow, William Fraser Lowe. Blakney founded West Lake Conservators (WLC) in 1981. Today WLC is the largest preservation firm in New York State outside of New York City.

“Saving Paintings” is sponsored by the Art Exhibition Association and Dowd Fine Arts Gallery. For more information, contact Gallery Director Barbara Racker at ext. 4216 or rackerb@cortland.edu. This program is supported, in part, by the student activity fee and Friends of the Dowd Fine Arts Gallery.
Comedian Paul C. Morrissey ’96 Will Perform

Paul C. Morrissey, a 1996 SUNY Cortland graduate who made his network television debut last summer, will bring his stand-up comedy act to campus on Saturday, Oct. 28.

Morrissey, who has performed twice previously at SUNY Cortland, will begin at 8 p.m. in Old Main Brown Auditorium. Sponsored by the Student Activities Board and Cortland Nites as part of the Homecoming Week activities from Oct. 23-29, the event is free and open to the public.

A native of Owego, N.Y., and SUNY Binghamton transfer, Morrissey was an accomplished point guard on SUNY Cortland’s men’s basketball team during the 1995-96 season. The communication studies major led in both scoring and assists and was the team’s best shooter from both three-point range and the foul line.

He worked as an assistant coach for a year and then became a television sports anchor with an ABC affiliate in northern California. Fired for using too much humor on the air, he moved to New York City to develop his comedy act. Morrissey earned a master’s degree at New York University and taught 12th grade English during the day while performing at comedy clubs at night.

Now living in Los Angeles, Calif., he is a regular performer at such clubs as The Icehouse in Pasadena, the Hollywood Improv and Dangerfield’s in New York City. In 2005, he was selected from hundreds of comedians nationwide as one of five finalists in the “Wendy’s Comedy Challenge” and was invited to perform at HBO’s Comedy Festival in Las Vegas, Nev.

Last June, Morrissey made his network television debut on “The Late, Late Show with Craig Ferguson” on CBS. He also released an independent comedy CD called “Good Seats Still Available.” A review by The Serious Comedy Site, an online publication, praised Morrissey’s CD: “When an experienced comedy fan is repeatedly surprised by the payoff or where the jokes land, you know you are listening to an original comedic talent.”

For more information, contact Kim Dutton, campus activities and Corey Union, at ext. 2321. See the complete story online at www.cortland.edu/news.

Nominations Sought for Chancellor’s Awards

Nominations are currently being sought for the following awards: Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Librarianship, Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Professional Service, Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Faculty Service, Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities, and Distinguished Service Professorships.

Nominations should include the nominee’s name and a detailed justification not to exceed two typed pages to Virginia Levine in the President’s Office, Room 408, by Friday, Oct. 27. Nominations may also be submitted by e-mail to virginia@em.cortland.edu. Individuals may not nominate themselves for these awards. Only those nominations with one or two page justifications will be reviewed.

Complete criteria for eligibility may be found in the President’s Office, Miller Building, Room 408. These criteria can also be accessed at www.suny.edu/provost/faculty-awards.cfm?navLevel=5. Criteria listed have been extended through this award year. A brief summary of award criteria follows:

**Excellence in Librarianship Award:** Individuals must possess an M.L.S. and must have served as a full-time librarian at SUNY Cortland for at least three years.

**Excellence in Professional Service Award:** Limited to those non-classified service employees with more than 50 percent of their work assignment in non-teaching services and who have completed at least three years of continuous full-time professional service.

**Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities Award:** Faculty may hold any academic rank, but they must have completed three years of full-time service on their home campus prior to the year of nomination.

**Excellence in Faculty Service:** Eligibility requires consistent superior service in a variety of areas such as service to the campus, the state, the local community, contributions at the regional, state-wide, national or international levels, disciplinary organizations, or leadership in local or system-wide faculty governance.

**Distinguished Service Professorship:** Eligibility is limited to individuals who have been full professors for at least five years and who have completed at least 10 years of full-time service in SUNY.

Community Roundtable To Address Pandemic Flu Preparation on Nov. 2

A family doctor, a hospital infection control specialist, acounty public health officer and a College representative will discuss “Pandemic Flu: Are We Prepared?” during an extended community roundtable on Thursday, Nov. 2.

The roundtable takes place between 8-9:30 a.m., lasting one-half hour longer than usual, in the Park Center Hall of Fame Room. Sponsored by the President’s Office and the Center for Educational Exchange, the event is free and open to the public.

Refreshments will be served at 7:45 a.m. Jacqueline Giant, director of public health for Cortland County, will moderate the discussion. The panelists are: Raymond Franco, institutional advancement; Pamela Griffith, supervising public health nurse for Cortland County’s Public Health Department; Douglas Rahmer, M.D., medical director of the Family Health Network; and Maria Whitaker, infection control officer for the Cortland Regional Medical Center.

A question-and-answer period will follow the presentation.

The roundtable speakers are among the major players in the community’s health care infrastructure who have been planning for handling a pandemic flu. In order to make informed decisions, community members need to know what a pandemic is, what needs to be done at all levels to prepare for pandemic influenza, and what could happen during a pandemic. The panelists will discuss this as well as what preparations are already in place locally and what needs to happen next to face this uncertain challenge.

For more information, contact the Center for Educational Exchange at ext. 4214 or visit the Web site at www.cortland.edu/cee.

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

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SUNY Cortland and Chinese University Exchange History Professors

SUNY Cortland Distinguished Teaching Professor Donald R. Wright's book, *The World and a Very Small Place in Africa*, was written nearly a decade ago, but it has recently attracted the attention of a group of Chinese historians. The book, which examined how global events affected the people in a region of The Gambia, was the inspiration for Jiguq Xia, a Chinese scholar specializing in European medieval history, to spend a year at SUNY Cortland taking classes with Wright. And the book also convinced the history faculty at Xia's university, Capital Normal University in Beijing, China, to invite Wright to become a visiting scholar this month.

In October, Wright traveled to the Center for Global History at the Beijing university to teach scholars there about current methods of research and pedagogy in the United States in three areas: world, African and Atlantic history. The Chinese historians want to adopt a new approach of historical scholarship, exemplified in Wright's book, which uses global history to examine particular places and events in the world.

During his visit, Wright, a widely recognized scholar of African and African-American history, will discuss his new book, *The Atlantic World: A History, 1400-1888*, which will be published by Harlan Davidson in the next few months. A member of the SUNY Cortland faculty since 1976, Wright will work with the faculty at the Capital Normal's Center for Global History, the first of its kind in China, for two weeks.

Xia, a faculty member at Capital Normal since 2001, said Wright's book inspired him in his current research project on Sicily. He said he hopes to use his mentor's method of "putting a small place into a big world," in writing a book about Sicily and the Medieval Mediterranean, an area that was the center of the world before the discovery of America.

While at SUNY Cortland, Xia will also work on preparing an undergraduate course on global history that will examine the world from a Chinese perspective. Xia is the co-author of *A Brief History of the World, Ancient and Medieval Periods* (Shandong 2003) and the author of *Study on the Foreign Policy of England under Elizabeth I* (Commercial 1999).

Historians began using a more global approach to teaching and researching in their field in the last 10 to 15 years. An example of how this approach is used is the way slavery has been taught in the United States, Wright said.

Xia hopes to give a talk to SUNY Cortland's History Department faculty about the teaching methods used in China sometime in the spring. Under an exchange program established with Capital Normal University in 1980, SUNY Cortland's International Programs Office covers the expenses of scholars from the university while they are here, while the university in Beijing has a reciprocal agreement with visitors from the College.

"As part of the exchange program with China, he certainly can show us what our Chinese colleagues have done and are doing in the same academic field," said Luo Xu, an associate professor of history at SUNY Cortland, who earned his bachelor's degree at Capital Normal University.

For more information, contact Xu at ext. 2058.

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

Native American Film Festival to Open Oct. 25

SUNY Cortland's Native American Film Festival will open on Wednesday, Oct. 25, with a screening of "A Thousand Roads," a Chris Eyre-directed film that premiered at last year's Sundance Film Festival.

All movies during the four-film series running through Wednesday, Nov. 15, will be shown on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in Old Main Brown Auditorium. Sponsored by the College's Native American Studies Program, the festival is free and open to the public.

"A Thousand Roads," by noted Native American filmmaker Eyre of "Smoke Signals" fame, comes to the College as a special loan courtesy of the National Museum of the American Indian in New York City. The film offers a fictional, 43-minute account of four contemporary Native Americans as they confront the crises that arise in a single day.

The series continues on Nov. 1 with the award-winning, 90-minute Canadian film, "Hank Williams, First Nations," about two ambitious adventurers who leave their remote Cree community on the Alberta reserve. Canadian filmmaker Aaron Sorensen received Best Director and Stacy DaSilva won Best Actress honors at last year's American Indian Film Festival while the soundtrack's title song took home a Best Music Award at the Nashville Film Festival.

"Edge of America," the story of an African-American English teacher coaching the girl's basketball team at an all-Native-American high school, will be shown on Nov. 8. The festival's second film by Eyre was inspired by actual events. The 105-minute film premiered in 2004 at the Sundance Film Festival. Critics have described "Edge of America" as very compelling and touching with sensitive execution and excellent performances from screen veterans and talented newcomers.

The series concludes on Nov. 15 with a showing of the 90-minute film "Johnny Tootall." A work of fiction, "Johnny Tootall" is directed by Shirley Cheechoo and reflects current situations in Native territories throughout British Columbia.

The festival is also supported by Auxiliary Services Corporation, the Center for Multicultural and Gender Studies, and the Migrant Education Outreach Program.

For more information, contact Dawn Van Hall, co-coordinator of Native American Studies, at ext. 4890.

See the complete story online at www.cortland.edu/news.
Classified Staff to Be Recognized for Service on Dec. 1

The 2006 Service Awards Luncheon recognizing classified staff will be held on Friday, Dec. 1. The following employees are slated to receive awards. For more information, contact the Human Resources Office at ext. 5751.

10 Years
Doris Albro, administrative computing
Franklin Dalton, university police
Rosemary Grabowski, library
Faith Kashuba, central warehouse
Geraldine Smith, exercise science and sport studies

15 Years
Leslee Anne Bellardini, health
Chauncey Bennett III, university police
Harland Bigelow, business
Linda Bunting, custodial services
Mark DePaull, university police
Brenda Hammond, university police
Alfonso Leopardi, custodial services
Elaine Lund, student health service
William Parente, custodial services
Steven Phillips, service group
Charlotte Plunkett, custodial services
Ronald Riccardi, service group
Pam Schroeder, research and sponsored programs
Cheryl St. Peter, custodial services
Linda Stearns, student accounts

College Assessment Committee Invites Grant Applications

The College Assessment Committee is offering a round of Assessment Incentive Grants and is inviting proposals from academic departments, interdisciplinary programs, support and service unit offices and administrative offices.

Applications will be due by noon on Friday, Nov. 17, to Virginia Levine in the President's Office, Miller Building, Room 408.

The proposal should describe an activity or set of activities that would allow the unit, department or program to advance its existing assessment plan. For support and service units, the activities could also relate to assessing how the unit attempts to achieve at least one of the five overarching goals for this five-year strategic plan cycle, its division plan, and/or the unit plan. If it is for a new unit, it can be used to assist in the development of an assessment plan.

These activities should be carried out during the winter or spring 2007 with a final report explaining the project activities, grant expenditures and how the objectives were met, due on Sept. 15, 2007. There will be two tiers of awards: Tier I - a maximum of $1,000 per grant, and Tier II - a limited number of larger awards could be given in the $1,100 - $2,000 range. Specific information and application forms will be distributed campus-wide via e-mail in mid-October.

Those who do not receive the information but would like a copy are asked to contact Joy Hendrick, exercise science and sport studies, at hendrick@cortland.edu.

C-Club Hall of Fame Will Induct Six New Members

Six new members will be inducted into the SUNY Cortland C-Club Hall of Fame during its 38th annual banquet and ceremonies on Saturday, Oct. 28, in the school's Corey Union.

The 2006 honorees are:
- Marion “Bonnie” Yates Buchner ’41, a highly recognized dancer for more than 70 years whose life's story is featured at the National Dance Museum in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.;
- Frank Dawson, Jr. ’57, an exceptional football and basketball player at Cortland who coached basketball and football and currently serves as director of health, physical education and athletics at Garfield (N.J.) High School;
- Thomas W. Hall ’63, a former Cortland lacrosse player and a five-time national coach of the year during his 36-year career as the boys' lacrosse coach at Fayetteville-Manlius (N.Y.) High School;
- Frank Millard ’63, a wrestler and soccer player at Cortland who went on to become one of the nation's top 10 all-time most victorious wrestling coaches at SUNY Delhi;
- Sidney Jamieson ’64, a former Cortland football, lacrosse and baseball player who enjoyed a successful 38-year career as head men's lacrosse coach at Bucknell University (Pa.); and
- Bonnie May ’77, an all-around athlete at Cortland and currently a highly successful volleyball and softball coach at Smith College (Mass.).

In addition to Saturday night’s official ceremony, the inductees also will be introduced at halftime of the Cortland-College of New Jersey football game earlier that afternoon.

Established in 1969, the C-Club Hall of Fame recognizes Cortland alumni who competed as athletes at the College and who have since distinguished themselves in their professions and within their communities. Honorary members are recognized for their long and significant contributions to SUNY Cortland athletics. New C-Club members have been added annually. This year's ceremony will bring the Hall of Fame roster to 188 alumni and 20 honorary members.

See the complete story online at www.cortland.edu/athletics/general/2006-07/halloffame.pdf
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**Flu Shots to Be Offered**

Flu shots will be offered to the campus community on the following dates, or until supplies run out. The price is $10 for students and $20 for faculty and staff. Participants are asked to bring exact change or a check made out to SUNY Cortland.

**Students only**
Wednesday, Oct. 25, from 5:30-8 p.m. at the Student Health Service.

**Students, faculty and staff**
Tuesday, Oct. 31, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Comish Hall lobby.
Thursday, Nov. 2, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Corey Union Exhibition Lounge.

**Registration JumpStart Workshop Sessions Set**

The Advisement and Transition Office will host two sessions of a workshop titled, “Registration JumpStart” for pre-major students. The workshops will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 25, at 5:30 p.m. or Thursday, Oct. 26, at 11:30 a.m. Both sessions will be held in Van Hoesen Hall, Room A-14.

Topics covered will include general education, foreign language and degree requirements. Faculty advisors are encouraged to invite their pre-major students to attend.

Students should R.S.V.P. to the Advisement and Transition Office, ext. 4726.

**Emeriti Luncheon Planned**

The Fall Academic and Professional Emeriti luncheon will be held on Sunday, Nov. 5, at 12:30 p.m. in Corey Union Caleion Room. The guest speaker will be James Hokanson, exercise science and sport studies. His topic is “Getting in Shape for Winter — North or South.”

This gathering for SUNY retirees is being hosted by President Erik J. Bitterbaum.

Respond to Melony Warwick, institutional advancement, by Friday, Oct. 27.

**Homecoming Week Events**

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Men's soccer squares off against Ithaca College at 12:45 p.m. on Saturday at Holloway Field. Tickets are $4 for the public and $3 for non-SUNY Cortland students with an I.D., high school students and children.

At 1 p.m., Cortland takes on College of New Jersey in football at the Stadium Complex. During halftime, the Cortland C-Club 2006 Hall of Fame inductees will be introduced. SUNY Cortland students with an I.D. will be admitted free. Tickets for reserved section seating are $8, for general admission are $6, and for other college students with an I.D., high school students and children are $5.

The C-Club will induct seven new members into its Hall of Fame during the 37th Annual Hall of Fame Banquet, by invitation only, at 6:30 p.m. in the Corey Union Function Room.

Morrissey will entertain Homecoming Week participants with his comedy routine at 8 p.m. in Old Main Brown Auditorium. Sponsored by SAB and Cortland Nites, the event is free and open to the public. See the complete story about Morrissey on page 5.

“Pippin” returns at 8 p.m. on Saturday in the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre.

On Sunday, Oct. 29, a “Glow-n-Dark Skate” will be offered from 1-3 p.m. in Alumni Arena. Admission is $1 and skate rental is $2.

“Pippin” returns for a 2 p.m. matinee performance on Sunday in the Dowd Fine Arts Theatre.

For more information, contact the Campus Activities and Corey Union Office at ext. 2321.
Marley Barduhn, education, has been invited by the Institute of International Education to serve on the National Selection Panel for the U.S. Department of State-sponsored Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program in Houston, Texas, later this month. Established under the International Opportunity Act of 2000, the Gilman Scholarship Program aims to broaden the student population that studies abroad by supporting undergraduate students who have been historically under-represented in cadres of study abroad students, specifically those with high financial need. As a panelist, Barduhn represents administrators involved in international and higher education from four-year institutions.

Kenneth Cohen, recreation and leisure studies, presented “Community Coaching” at the Multidisciplinary Community-Based Inquiry: Uniting Participatory Research with Professional Practice Conference held Oct. 11-12, and sponsored by SUNY Binghamton. Cohen drew on his experience as participatory action researcher in North Central Idaho to describe and offer a definition for “community coaching.”

Jeremiah Donovan, art and art history, had his recent sculptural ceramic work selected for display in the 2006 Archie Bray International Ceramic Exhibition in Helena, Mont. A photograph of his work “Raven Teapot” was published in the exhibition catalog. The Archie Bray Foundation is the oldest foundation of its kind in the United States promoting the advancement of ceramic arts.

Kathryn Kramer, art and art history, presented a paper titled “The Globalized Flaneur” in the Urban Poetics session of the 20th annual National Conference on the Liberal Arts and Education of Artists, organized by the School of Visual Arts, New York City, N.Y. It was held Oct. 18-20.

Jean LeLoup and Robert Ponterio, international communications and culture, received the 2006 Anthony J. Papalia Award for Outstanding Article on Foreign Language Education. Their chapter, “Technology and World Language Instruction: Where We Have Been, Where We Are Now, Where We Are Headed,” appeared in the volume 2005-2015: Realizing Our Vision of Languages For All, A. L. Heining-Boynton, ed. This volume was published by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages in honor of the Year of Languages. LeLoup and Ponterio received this award at the annual conference of the New York State Association of Foreign Language Teachers (NYSALFT), held Oct. 6-8 in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. Ponterio and LeLoup also presented a workshop at the NYSALFT conference titled “Perspectives on Culture.”

Craig Little and Richard Kendrick, sociology/anthropology, and John Suarez, English, joined Jackie Carlton and Christella Yonta of the Seven Valleys Health Coalition in presenting “Civic Engagement, Community-Based Inquiry, and Public Institutions of Higher Education: A Comprehensive Model for Connecting the College and the Community” at the Multidisciplinary Community-Based Inquiry: Uniting Participatory Research with Professional Practice Conference held Oct. 11-12 and sponsored by Binghamton University. Their presentation described the campus and community’s collaboration that resulted in productive research and projects, and it described the challenges of sustaining civic engagement initiatives.

Donna Margine, registrar, took over as president of the SUNY Registrar’s Association (SUNYRA) at the fall conference held Oct. 11-13 in Glens Falls, N.Y. Elected executive vice president in 2004, Margine completed the two-year term on the executive board prior to assuming her new responsibilities. Margine’s term of office as president will run through 2008 and will be followed by an additional two-year term as past-president. Also attending the SUNYRA conference from the Registrar’s Office were Doug Haasner and Michael Pastore, and from Administrative Computing was Ray Ruppert.

Mechthild Nagel, philosophy, and Seth Asumah, political science and African American studies, have published Prisons and Punishment: Reconsidering Global Penalty with Africa World Press, with a foreword by Harold Pepinsky. This anthology contains the best papers presented at the Thinking about Prisons conference, organized by the Philosophy Department in Fall 2001.

Brice Smith, physics, was interviewed on Oct. 1 on the premiere episode of “The Climate Code With Dr. Heidi Cullen” which airs nationally on the Weather Channel. In May, Smith published his first book, Insurmountable Risks: The Dangers of Using Nuclear Power to Combat Global Climate Change. A link to the book can be found at www.eggheadbooks.org/books/insurmount.htm. Smith was interviewed via satellite for their first show which focused on the question of whether nuclear power was a good solution for reducing carbon dioxide emissions from the electricity sector, one of the major sources of greenhouse gas pollution. Smith appeared in a segment along with Richard Meserve, the former Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, to debate the issue.

Charles Spink, chemistry emeritus, has authored a chapter for the upcoming book series, Biophysical Techniques for Cell Biology, which is scheduled for release in the spring of 2007. The chapter titled “Differential Scanning Calorimetry” discusses the application of scanning calorimetry to studies relating to DNA unfolding. The book is edited by John Correia and H. William Detrich.

Robert Spitzer, political science, was interviewed on the Tavis Smiley Show, broadcast nationwide on Public Radio International (PRI), about the Bush administration’s executive power claims, including its prolific and controversial use of signing statements to modify or nullify portions of bills signed into law. The interview was broadcast during the week of Oct. 9.

Arden Zipp, chemistry, attended the 34th Northeast Regional American Chemical Society meeting recently held in Binghamton, N.Y. He presented “Health Aspects of Nanomaterials” in a symposium titled “How and When to Introduce Nanotechnology in the Undergraduate Curriculum.” In addition, he was a co-presenter with two undergraduate chemistry majors, Maksim Livshits and Chad Reznyski, of a poster “New Dirhodium Tetracarboxylate Derivatives.”
Monday, Oct. 23
Brooks Museum Lecture Series: “Between a Rock and a Hard Place: Neanderthal-Modern Human Interactions In the Caucasus and Eurasia,” Daniel Adler, University of Connecticut, Cornish Hall, Room D-304, 4:30 p.m. Reception at 4 p.m. in Cornish Hall, Room D-312.

$ Dinner Program: Goofs and Goblets, Corey Union Caleion Room, 6-8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 24
Sandwich Seminar: “Procurement Card Unraveled,” presented by Sam Colombo and Terry Hollenbeck, purchasing, and Bruce Perine, accounts payable, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 12:30 p.m.

Workshop: Education Advising, Corey Union Fireplace Lounge, 5:30 p.m.

Lecture: “Maasai Traditions and Globalization” presented by three Maasai visitors, Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 25
Sandwich Seminar: “Vietnam and Iraq – Lessons Learned?” Frank Burdick, history, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 12:30 p.m.

Coming Events

Saturday, Oct. 28
Children’s Museum Series: Education Club Halloween Party, Children’s Museum, O’Her Newn Hall, 8 Calvert St., 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

$ Musical Comedy: “Pippin,” Dowd Fine Arts Theatre, 8 p.m.

Comedian: Paul Morrissey, Old Main Brown Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 29
$ Musical Comedy: “Pippin,” Dowd Fine Arts Theatre, 2 p.m.

Halloween Glow ‘N Dark Ice Skating: Alumni Arena, 1-3 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 30

Tuesday, Oct. 31
$ Flu Shot Clinic: Cornish Hall lobby, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Graduate School Day: Sponsored by Career Services, Corey Union Function Room, 11 a.m.

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

Wednesday, Nov. 1
Ceremony: Reopening of Bishop Hall, Bishop Hall lobby, 3 p.m.

Sandwich Seminar: “Summer on the Rhine – Study Abroad 2006,” Kevin Heisey, economics, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 12:30 p.m.

Wellness Wednesday Series: “Alphabet Soup: The ABCs of Eating Disorders,” Billie Jean Goff, counseling center, Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 2
$ Conference: 56th annual SUNY Cortland Recreation Conference, Corey Union, registration begins at 7:30 a.m.

Community Roundtable: “Pandemic Flu: Are We Prepared?” Park Center Hall of Fame Room, 8 a.m.
Refresments served at 7:45 a.m.

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