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College Earns National Honor for its Civic Engagement Commitment

For a third consecutive year, SUNY Cortland has received federal recognition for its community service by being named to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll.

Since 2007, the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) has annually presented this honor to colleges and universities to recognize exemplary service efforts and service to America's communities.

The CNCS is a federal agency that improves lives, strengthens communities and fosters civic engagement through service and volunteering. The corporation administers Senior Corps, AmeriCorps and Learn and Serve

America, a program that supports service-learning in schools, institutions of higher education and community-based organizations.

SUNY Cortland was among 546 schools recognized as honor roll members for its commitment to service-learning and civic engagement during the 2007-08 academic year at the American Council on Education's Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., on Feb. 8-9. A full list is available at www.nationalservice.gov/honorroll.

"In this time of economic distress, we need volunteers more than ever," said Stephen Goldsmith, vice chair of the CNCS Board of Directors, during the presentation ceremony.

"College students represent an enormous pool of idealism and energy to help tackle some of our toughest challenges. We salute SUNY Cortland for making community service a campus priority, and thank the millions of college students who are helping to renew America through service to others."

"We at SUNY Cortland are so pleased to be recognized with the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll," remarked President Erik J. Bitterbaum. "SUNY Cortland also was recently honored by The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching with its 2008 Community Engagement Classification. This latest recognition by the Corporation for National and Community Service is just additional icing on the cake."

The honor roll is jointly sponsored by the CNCS, through its Learn and Serve America program, and the Department of Education, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation. For more information, go to www.nationalservice.gov.

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

SUNY Cortland and Cortland School District Collaborate to Train Education Work Force

SUNY Cortland students have been working closely with children at the five elementary schools in the Cortland Enlarged City School District since last fall, a tangible sign of the new partnership between the district and the College that prepares teachers.

Educators at SUNY Cortland and the district have formed the SUNY Cortland Professional Development School (PDS) to increase student learning as well as enhance preparation of a future education work force for preschool through high school-aged children.

Since the fall, 66 college students have participated in one of three separate projects at Barry, Parker, Randall, Smith and Virgil elementary schools.

"Professional Development Schools have been around for a long time, but we are new to the game," said SUNY Cortland PDS Coordinator Karen Hempson, childhood/early childhood education. The National Council for Accreditation in Teacher Education (NCATE) encourages teacher education institutions to launch PDS

collaborations with pre-school through 12th-grade-level schools in order to meet curriculum standards, Hempson noted.

A PDS offers a nontraditional approach to clinical preparation programs, according to NCATE's Web site. In Cortland, the collaboration brings students into elementary and eventually secondary school classrooms for hands-on field experience, Hempson explained.

"The project aims to increase student learning through the establishment of a learning community involving school teachers, college-based faculty, teacher candidates, and students as well as administrators both from area schools and the College," Hempson said.

The main goals of the projects are to provide pre-service teachers with a more authentic classroom experience, give school faculty an opportunity to engage in applied research with college colleagues, provide an opportunity for college faculty to have access to a real-world environment to bridge the gap

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College Will Mark Body Appreciation Week 2009 with Events Including Feb. 25 Presentation of 'Andrea's Voice'

Doris and Tom Smeltzer, a California couple who have traveled across the nation to raise awareness about eating disorders since losing their 19-year-old daughter to bulimia in 1999, will visit campus on Wednesday, Feb. 25.

The Smeltzers' daughter, Andrea, a Pitzer College sophomore, died in her sleep after a one-year struggle with bulimia. Andrea's parents will share her compelling story as well as vital information on disordered eating in a talk titled "Andrea's Voice" at 7:30 p.m. in the Corey Union Function Room. A reception and book signing will follow.

"Andrea's Voice" is sponsored by the Health Promotion Office and the Student Development Center as part of Body Appreciation Week, which runs from Monday, Feb. 23, through Thursday, Feb. 26. The event is also part of the "Wellness Wednesday Series," a yearlong series of featured speakers, exhibits, self-help workshops and other programs intended to help students adjust to college life.

All of the Body Appreciation Week activities on the theme of "The Many Expressions of You" are free and open to the public.

An exhibition of student art, displays, posters and information tables pertaining to eating disorders and body image will be on display from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 23 through Thursday, Feb. 26, in the Corey Union Exhibition Lounge.

Delta Phi Epsilon will sell carnations to benefit Anorexia Nervosa and Associated

Disorders from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 23 through Thursday, Feb. 26 in Corey Union.

During the week, faculty and staff will have an opportunity to donate \$1 each day to dress down and wear jeans, with all proceeds going to the Andrea's Voice Foundation for Disordered Eating and Related Issues.

An "Express Yourself" Coffeehouse will take place at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 24, in the Corey Union Function Room.

A candlelight vigil, sponsored by Delta Phi Epsilon to remember all of those affected by eating disorders, including those who have died, will end the week at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 26, in the Corey Union Function Room.

It is estimated that as many as 25 percent of college-aged women deal with disordered eating habits of some kind, if not necessarily full-blown anorexia or bulimia, said Cathy Smith, health promotion.

Andrea Smeltzer was a vibrant and promising young woman, an exemplary student with a passion for life that made an impression on everyone she knew, her mother, Doris Smeltzer, said.

A Napa, Calif., resident for most of her life, Andrea spent a year living abroad in Spain and was fluent in the language by the time she graduated from Vintage High School in 1997.

At the prestigious Pitzer College, where she was an active presence on campus, she managed to complete her undergraduate degree in international studies by the end of her sophomore year. After college, she hoped to use her degree to work with humanitarian agencies like Amnesty International.

After a 13-month struggle with bulimia, Andrea died in her sleep on June 16, 1999, when an electrolyte imbalance caused her heart to fail.

Body Appreciation Week 2009 is sponsored by Counseling and Student Development, Auxiliary Services Corporation, the President's Office, the Provost and Vice President for Student Affairs Office, Residence Life and Housing, the Campus Artist and Lecture Series, the Health Promotion Office, Delta Phi Epsilon, Alpha Sigma Alpha, Athletics and Campus Activities and Corey Union.

For more information, contact Smith at (607) 753-2066 or catherine.smith@cortland.edu.

Institute to Coordinate Local Volunteer Efforts Honoring Virginia Tech Campus Victims

SUNY Cortland's Institute for Civic Engagement is participating in the Power of 10 community engagement program.

The Power of 10 originated from Virginia Tech's program of civic commitment, called VT Engage. VT Engage encourages people everywhere to volunteer where they can to foster healthier communities.

The hours logged for VT Engage commemorate the students who lost their lives in the April 2007 Virginia Tech campus attacks. The Power of 10 was created to partner with VT Engage's mission of community service.

"Last year, the Cortland community had 285 volunteers for a total of 5,300 hours," said Timothy Rodriguez, Main Street community outreach coordinator. "From now until April 24, the goal of the program is to have 10 hundred people volunteer at least 10 hours of service for a total of 10 thousand hours."

The Power of 10 is open to the Cortland community. Volunteers in the past have helped organizations such as Habitat for Humanity, YWCA, YMCA and the local food pantry, Loaves and Fishes.

Those wishing to engage in the community are encouraged to track their hours. Participants can pick up a Power of 10 log sheet at Main Street SUNY Cortland located at 9 Main St., on campus at the information desk in Corey Union or download the form at www2.cortland.edu/programs/civic-engagement/power-of-10. The sheets may be dropped off or mailed to the Institute for Civic Engagement, P.O. Box 2000, Moffett Center, Room 2120, Cortland, N.Y. 13045.

"These sheets help us gauge how much volunteerism and community involvement there is in Cortland, as well as contribute to VT Engage's mission and cause," said Rodriguez.

All participants will be recognized on Thursday, April 30, at the Leadership for Civic Engagement Award Ceremony in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge. The event is by invitation only.

For more information, contact Rodriguez at (607) 753-4271.

The Bulletin

The Bulletin is published by the Publications and Electronic Media Office at State University of New York College at Cortland and available online. *The Bulletin* contains official College announcements, news reports and notices of campus events.

The Bulletin may be viewed at www.cortland.edu/bulletin. Information for *The Bulletin* should be sent to Wendy Brooks, newsletter editor, Publications and Electronic Media Office, Brockway Hall, Room 207-F, P.O. Box 2000, Cortland, NY 13045.

The next issue of *The Bulletin* will be published Monday, March 2. The copy deadline for that issue is 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 24.

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.

Unity Celebration Will Commemorate Cultural Diversity on Campus

Carlos N. Medina, a 1978 SUNY Cortland graduate who serves as assistant provost in the SUNY Office of Diversity and Educational Equity, will speak on Thursday, Feb. 26.

Medina will deliver the keynote speech at the College's 11th annual Unity Celebration from 5:30-7 p.m. in the Corey Union Function Room. The dessert reception, which commemorates the cultural diversity on campus, is free and open to the public.

Medina has served 25 years in New York state government at increasingly higher levels of responsibility. Named to his current position in early 2008, he previously managed the Bridge Program, SUNY's flagship welfare-to-work initiative.

A Puerto Rican native, Medina's father died when he was young. He was the product of a financially struggling, single parent family in Brooklyn, N.Y., where few of his classmates were encouraged to seek higher education.

Recognizing his own potential to attend college, he enrolled in SUNY Cortland's Educational Opportunity Program (EOP).

He earned a bachelor's degree in physical education from the College. Later, he obtained a master in professional services degree in human services administration from Cornell University under a prestigious graduate fellowship program.

"EOP gave me the boost I needed," Medina recalled in 1990 in a profile published in the winter edition of the SUNY Cortland alumni newsletter, *Columns*. "I was kind of independent and studied hard. But when I needed encouragement, I knew I could get it from the EOP people. They were very supportive. I felt I was part of a larger group, and I felt at home."

For his first job, he accepted a summer intern position with the New York State Division for Youth working with delinquent youth at the South Lansing Center on the outskirts of Ithaca, N.Y. By

summer's end the internship had evolved into a full-time job and he was named director of recreation. Three years later, he became a counselor for troubled youth at the Oneida Secure Center in Utica, N.Y. He then became a counselor at Camp MacCormack in Brooktondale, N.Y., which was revamping its programs to handle more difficult juvenile offenders, before taking administrative team roles as his responsibilities increased.

In 1989, he was selected from a pool of several hundred applicants to receive a Regents Minority Professional Development and Management Fellowship. The scholarship allowed him to participate in a management-training program sponsored by the New York State Department of Education.

In 1990, Medina became a State Department of Education administrator assessing the quality of state-funded educational programs through the Bureau of Professional Career Opportunity Programs. In that role, he evaluated many state-funded science and technology programs being taught on college campuses under the umbrella of Collegiate Science and Technology Entry Programs. That same year, he was honored with SUNY Cortland EOP's Distinguished Alumnus Award.

He is married to another SUNY Cortland graduate, Connie Marshall Medina '79. They have two sons, Justin Miguel and Camilo Noel, and live in Delmar, N.Y.

For more information, contact Ann Cutler in the Multicultural Life Office at (607) 753-2336 or ann.cutler@cortland.edu.

Faculty Senate Endorses Summer Session Plan

Faculty Senators voted unanimously on Feb. 3 to endorse the College's energy-saving plan to move from a five-day to a four-day Summer Session schedule in 2009.

The idea originated after Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Mark Prus had appointed a subcommittee in August to revisit the configuration of the College's summer class terms for the first time since February 2005. Two years ago, the College added four two-and-a-half week summer terms that complicated any attempts at a four-day schedule.

Last semester, the subcommittee reviewed Summer Session data for the number of classes offered and cancelled in various terms, as well as the resulting enrollments. The subcommittee made five recommendations that will allow for a four-day summer session with some exceptions, such as classes that meet at the Outdoor Education Center at Raquette Lake.

"Offering summer daytime courses for four days per week instead of five will reduce commuting time and expense for both students and faculty," the subcommittee recommended in its report issued to the Chairs' Council of all three academic schools, as well as to the Faculty Senate Steering Committee. The report was forwarded to the Educational Policy Committee.

"It therefore has the potential to increase summer enrollments. Offering four-day per week courses has been past practice in some departments, both formally and informally, indicating that this has been a desirable scheduling option."

In response to a question from Senator David Miller, geography, regarding what savings would the College realize from this move, President Erik Bitterbaum said that projections would be developed and shared with the campus community.

Bitterbaum shared with senators that the College would also be encouraging its staff members to concurrently pursue a four-day work schedule this summer, although it would be purely voluntarily as the College cannot contractually force its staff to do so. He noted that several essential campus offices, including those actively engaged in admissions, cannot close on Fridays, but added that air conditioning would be turned down in many campus buildings beginning on Fridays rather than just on the weekends.

The president emphasized that the shortened summer workweek was being conducted on an experimental basis for both economical and ecological reasons. The College would evaluate its overall impact afterward.

Spring 2009 Bulletin Schedule

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#13	Monday, March 16	Tuesday, March 10
#14	Monday, March 30	Tuesday, March 24
#15	Monday, April 13	Tuesday, April 7
#16	Monday, April 27	Tuesday, April 21
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Senior Angela Silverstein Earns National Scholarship

Angela Silverstein, a SUNY Cortland senior from Marcellus, N.Y., was selected to receive the 2009 Tau Sigma National Scholarship by the national honor society for transfer students.

Tau Sigma awarded Silverstein, a Fall 2007 transfer student from SUNY Potsdam, a \$500 scholarship.

"I was excited to receive this scholarship," said Silverstein, a childhood education major. "It was a pleasant surprise."

To be eligible, a transfer student must be enrolled as a full-time student, transfer to the university with at least one full year's worth of academic credits and must finish their first term after transferring with a 3.5 GPA or in the top 20 percent of all incoming transfer students during that term.

"Angela Silverstein is one of the most enthusiastic transfer students I have ever met," said Giovanna Colosi-Lawson, advisement and transition, who runs the SUNY Cortland chapter of Tau Sigma. "She is incredibly busy keeping up with school work, volunteer opportunities and her Tau Sigma responsibilities. She maintains a wonderful grade point average and does all of this always with a smile on her face. I am so happy she has received a Tau Sigma Scholarship, as it is well deserved!"

Tau Sigma honored 20 students from other colleges with its 2009 scholarship. Founded in 1999, Tau Sigma, which stands for transition and scholarship, was incorporated nationally to recognize and promote academic excellence and involvement of transfer students. SUNY Cortland has had a chapter since 2004.

There are 58 Tau Sigma chapters established throughout the country at various universities to support transfer students such as Silverstein.

"I have a lot of transfer pride," said Silverstein, who is one of 840 transfer students at the College, according to records at Advisement and Transition. "I think it is fun to be a transfer student. When I decided to transfer, I was only looking at SUNY Cortland, due to its proximity to my hometown and the fact that it has the largest teacher education program in the Northeast and the ninth largest in the country."

After graduation, Silverstein hopes to obtain a teaching job while pursuing a master's degree in education.

For more information on the SUNY Cortland chapter of Tau Sigma, contact Colosi-Lawson at (607) 753-4726.

Teacher Receives Award to Teach Literacy, Multiculturalism

Heather Hurteau tries to incorporate reading into many of the activities she conducts with the four- and five-year-olds in her class at the SUNY Cortland Child Care Center, where one recent project proposal has earned her national accolades.

After 16 years of working at the Child Care Center, Hurteau was selected as one of the top 10 finalists for the Terri Lynne Lokoff Children's Tylenol National Child Care Teacher Award.

The Terri Lynne Lokoff Child Care Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving early child care and education, bestows the award annually to applicants who have designed the best enhancement project for the children in their classrooms, illustrating the educational, social and emotional benefits from the activities.

A committee of early childhood educators reviewed the applications and selected 50 finalists from across the country.

As one of the finalists during a ceremony in April in Pennsylvania, Hurteau will be awarded \$500 for personal use and \$500 to improve her classroom.

"We are very proud of Heather and congratulate her on receiving this honor," said SUNY Cortland Child Care Center Director Johanna Hartnett. The center serves 67 children of College employees, students and community residents.

Hurteau also has a chance to compete for the Helene Marks Award, by completing an additional essay question. She could receive another \$1,000 as well as a shopping spree at Bloomingdale's department store.

Hurteau proposed to create multicultural literacy bags to share with the 18 children in her class and their families. The bags will contain multicultural hardcover books, dolls representing the ethnicity of the children, props, follow-up games, activities and journals.

The materials in the bags will allow parents to model appropriate interactions, provide literacy support and foster children's learning.

"Reading aloud to children is essential for them to succeed," Hurteau said. "The lending library will encourage and increase literacy behaviors at home, while enabling parents to be more aware of specific skills that are introduced at this level and allow them to be part of their children's learning."

"Heather's project is a nice collaboration with families, added Hartnett. "It's a partnership. It will give parents an idea of how we approach literacy in our classrooms."

"This is the second year in a row that the SUNY Cortland Child Care Center, located in Casey Tower, has had the honor and privilege of having a finalist in this competition. Susan Drake was named a finalist in 2008. This attests to the quality of our teachers and staff at the center."

Hurteau and her husband, Don, live in Homer, N.Y., with their 8-year-old son.

For more information, contact Hartnett at (607) 753-5955.

Cast Announced for Musical Comedy 'Guys & Dolls'

The Performing Arts Department has announced the cast for its spring production of the musical comedy "Guys & Dolls." The play will be performed March 27-29 and April 3-5 in the Dowd Fine Arts Center Theatre. Tickets go on sale at Jodi's Hallmark Shop on March 2.

Twenty-nine students and four community members make up the cast. Students Anthony Festa and Kate Quigley are featured in the roles of the gambler Sky Masterson and the Salvation Army worker Sarah Brown, with whom he falls in love. Ryan McDonald and Nicole Alvarez play the comic couple, gambler Nathan Detroit and nightclub singer Adelaide.

In featured roles are students Mitch Thurmam, John McAvaney, Jason Schulof, Colin Havener, Deja Sylvester, Rebecca Rozzoni and Skylar Winter. Faculty performers are Tom Fuchs, physical education, and Robert Spitzer, political science.

Completing the cast are students Kim Moore, Amy Lamberti, Emily Ellis, Kara Howard, Grace McGeoch, Melanie Tietjen, Marly Myriathpoulos, Doug Robbins, Allison Zack, Angel Golden, Sara Laursen, Jeff Van Damme, Helaina Goldstein, Kelsey Reed, Nicole Herlihy, Keith Golden, Lisa Reid, Natalie Luzzi, and community performers Paul Yaman and Barbara Jo Williams.

For more information, contact the Performing Arts Department at (607) 753-2811.

Gospel Music Celebration Will Feature Dance Ensemble and Jazz Set

The Africana Studies Department will present a "Gospel Choir 2009 Cultural Celebration," featuring the SUNY Cortland Gospel Choir, on Sunday, Feb. 22.

The admission price is \$2 for students; \$4 for faculty, staff and senior citizens; and \$5 for general admission.

The program will begin at 4 p.m. in Old Main Brown Auditorium. Seth Asumah, Africana studies and political science, will offer a welcome to open the program.

The SUNY Cortland Gospel Choir, under the direction of Robert Brown, Africana studies and communication studies, will perform the opening and closing music for the celebration. The group will sing "I Will Bless the Lord" and "Faithful Is Our God," by Hezekiah Walker; "Perfect Praise," by Richard Smallwood; "Press Towards the Mark," by Norman Hutchings; and "Total Praise," by Richard Smallwood. The soloist for "Perfect Praise" is Sulema Iriarte and for "Total Praise" is Mark Santiago.

The Christ Presbyterian and United Community Church Choir, directed by Marina Gorelaya, will join the celebration as guest choir, singing two spirituals: "Let My People Go," adapted and arranged by Roger Emerson, and "Ride On Moses," by Maurice Gardner. Sharon and Bill Holbert, also of Christ Presbyterian Church, will present a duet, "Wayfaring Stranger," a traditional American Folk Spiritual. Members Dorothy Thomas '77 and

Sharon Holbert will perform "My Tribute," by Andrae Crouch. Thomas also will present a piano performance of "Colors of the Wind" from Pocahontas. Noelle Paley, Africana studies and philosophy, will sing "Amazing Grace" and "Wade in the Water."

The SUNY Cortland Africana Dance Ensemble, under the direction of Yomee Lee, exercise science and sport studies, will present "Kuku."

The Gospel Choir musicians will offer a jazz set. The musicians are saxophonist Jamie Yaman of Cortland; and keyboardist Andy Rudy, bass

guitarist Reggie Siegler, percussionist Benjamin Terry and trombone player Robert Brown, all from Syracuse, N.Y.

Support for the event comes from the Gospel Choir, the Black Student Union, the Caribbean Association and the Student Activity Fee. Gifts to the program will support the Gospel Choir 2009 European Trip to Germany.

For more information, contact Samuel L. Kelley, communication studies, at sam.kelley@cortland.edu or (607) 753-4104 or Asumah at seth.asumah@cortland.edu or (607) 753-2064.

Vicki A. Johnson Installation Scheduled for Feb. 22

The campus and community are invited to a "Celebration in Worship" recognizing, affirming and reinstating the ordination of Vicki A. Johnson and installing her as executive director of the Cortland County Council of Churches, on Sunday, Feb. 22.

Johnson, the Protestant chaplain at SUNY Cortland and pastor at First Congregational of Chenango Forks, The United Church of Christ,

will be installed at 3 p.m. at The Interfaith Center, located at 7 Calvert St., Cortland, N.Y.

The Rev. Kelly Shiflett, pastor of the Susquehanna Association, The United Church of Christ, will moderate. William Hopkins, psychology emeritus and past president of the Cortland County Council on Churches, will speak. Paulette Fry will serve as organist.

Avian Expert to Discuss Breeding Bird Patterns on Feb. 26

Kevin McGowan, from the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, will present results of statewide research efforts showing the surprising amount of change in the distribution of breeding birds in New York state over the past 20 years, on Thursday, Feb. 26.

McGowan's talk, "The Second Atlas of Breeding Birds in New York: 20 Years of Change," will take place at 7 p.m. in Sperry Center, Room 106.

The event, which is free and open to the public, is the annual Wilkins Bird Lecture of the Lime Hollow Center for Environment and Culture (LHCEC). The lecture is co-sponsored by SUNY Cortland's Biology Club.

Refreshments will be served and a question-and-answer period will follow.

McGowan moved to the Cornell Lab of Ornithology in 2001, where he helped create the "All About Birds" Web site and wrote the bird guide section. He is the co-editor and author of the recently published book, *The Second Atlas of Breeding Birds in New York State*. McGowan currently coordinates the Lab's home study course in Bird Biology.

For the past 20 years, McGowan has studied the biology and social behavior of crows around Ithaca, N.Y.

In 1988, McGowan came to Cornell University as curator of the Ornithology and Mammalogy collections in the Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology.

McGowan earned a bachelor's and master's degree in zoology from Ohio State University. He received a doctorate in biology from the University of South Florida, where he studied the social development of Florida Scrub-Jays.

The annual Wilkins Bird Lecture was established by the Cortland County Bird Club, now called the Lime Hollow Bird Club, in 1988 in honor of club founder Connie Wilkins. The program is continued by the LHCEC, a member-funded, non-profit organization situated on the Cortland and Tompkins County border and offering free hiking trails, public nature and educational programs, and adventure day camps for youth.

For more information, contact Patricia Conklin, biological sciences, at (607) 753-2717 or patricia.conklin@cortland.edu; or Peter Harrity, associate director of the LHCEC, at (607) 662-4632 or associatedirector@limehollow.org.

Library Hours Posted

Regular Hours Through April 19

Monday- Thursday	7:45 a.m.-1 a.m.
Friday	7:45 a.m.-10 p.m.
Saturday	1 a.m.-10 p.m.
Sunday	10 a.m.-1 a.m.
Exception: Easter, Sunday, April 12	6 p.m.-1 a.m.

Spring Break March 6-15

Friday, March 6	7:45 a.m.-4 p.m.
Saturday, March 7- Sunday, March 8	Closed
Monday, March 9- Friday, March 13	8 a.m.-4 p.m.
Saturday, March 14	Closed
Sunday, March 15	4-10 p.m.

News Briefs

College-Community Appreciation Award Nominees Sought

The College Council is seeking nominations for its 2009 College-Community Appreciation Award, which will be presented in Fall 2009.

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

Nominations must be received by Friday, March 27. To nominate a worthy candidate, submit a letter of recommendation to Kim Ireland, College-Community Appreciation Award Committee, in care of the President's Office, Miller Building, Room 408.

Financial Aid Day Set for Feb. 21

SUNY Cortland will serve as one of 38 host sites for SUNY Financial Aid Day on Saturday, Feb. 21. The event, which takes place from 9 a.m.-noon in Old Main, Room G-25, provides free financial advice to students, parents and community members. Help with the online Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application also will be available. This also is open to those planning to attend other colleges.

Pre-registration for the program is required. This can be done by calling (800) 342-3811, or at www.suny.edu/studentevents.

Now is the time for college-bound students to file their FAFSA form in order to be considered for the maximum amount of financial aid during the 2009-2010 academic year, advised Beth Langhans, senior advisor in the SUNY Cortland Financial Advisement Office. The deadline to file is March 1.

Students who file their FAFSA online at www.fafsa.ed.gov have access to all the necessary information electronically in a step-by-step process. The Web site also offers the option of saving information and returning later. Electronic passwords and PIN numbers make the Web site secure and relatively easy to use.

Raquette Lake Summer Reservation Forms Available

The Antlers facility at the Outdoor Education Center at Raquette Lake will be available for use by faculty, staff and their guests including spouses, children and significant others, from Monday, June 22, through Saturday, June 27.

Reservation information is available online at www.cortland.edu/outdoor/upcomingevents.html or at the Center for Environmental and Outdoor Education Office, Miller Building, Room 230. A \$50 deposit is required with registration.

Room and board for six days and five nights is \$189 per person for adults and \$155 per person for children age 12 and under. There is no charge for children under one year of age.

Visitors arrive between 2-4 p.m. on Monday, June 22. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. that evening. Visitors will depart Saturday, June 27, following breakfast.

Participants will be acknowledged on a first-come, first-served basis following receipt of reservation and deposit.

For more information, call the center at (607) 753-5488.

Fitz-Gibbon to Speak at Feb. 18 Brooks Lecture Series Event

Andrew Fitz-Gibbon, philosophy, will address "Practicing Nonviolence" on Wednesday, Feb. 18, as part of the 2008-09 Rozanne M. Brooks Lecture Series on the theme of "The Culture of Violence."

He will speak at 4:30 p.m. in the Sociology and Anthropology Department's new location, Moffett Center, Room 2125. The talk is free and open to the public. A reception begins at 4 p.m. in the Rozanne M. Brooks Museum's new location, Moffett Center, Room 2126.

Fitz-Gibbon, who directs the Center for Ethics, Peace and Social Justice at SUNY Cortland, is currently working on a publication about the philosophy of love. His other work includes books, articles and book chapters on nonviolence, social ethics, animal rights and spirituality.

The 2008-09 Brooks Lecture Series is sponsored by a grant from Auxiliary Services Corporation (ASC). For more information, contact organizer Sharon R. Steadman, sociology/anthropology and International Studies Program, at (607) 753-2308.

Women's Lunches Planned

The Women's Initiatives Committee will host three brown bag lunches for the spring semester.

The brown bag lunch offers all women faculty, staff and graduate students the chance to meet, share ideas and develop campus networks. Lunches are held from noon-1 p.m. in Corey Union, Room 209. The dates and topics are:

Tuesday, Feb. 24

"Understanding the Employee Assistance Program (EAP)," guest speaker EAP Coordinator Bonnie Merchant, admissions.

Wednesday, March 18

"How to Understand and Use Nutrition Facts Labels," guest speaker Registered Dietitian Louise Whittleton, Auxiliary Services Corporation.

Thursday, April 23

"Sharing Information about Elder Care."

For more information, visit the Women's Initiatives Committee Web site at www.cortland.edu/women or contact Lori Schlicht at (607) 753-4726.

ASC Accepting Program Grant Applications for 2009-10

Auxiliary Services Corporation (ASC) is now accepting Program Grant applications for the 2009-10 academic year. Application packages may be downloaded at www.cortlandasc.com/general/forms.cfm, may be picked up at the Auxiliary Services Office in Winchell Hall, or may be sent via e-mail by contacting Annette O'Hara at (607) 753-4325.

Applications must be submitted by 4 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 20, at the ASC Office.

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

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

For more information regarding the application process, contact Jeffrey Johnson at (607) 753-5668.

Faculty-Staff Activities

T. D. Fitzgerald, biological sciences, is the author of a paper titled "Aposematism in *Archips cerasivoranus* Not Linked to the Sequestration of Host-derived Cyanide" appearing in the *Journal of Chemical Ecology*. The paper is coauthored by **Peter Jeffers**, chemistry emeritus, and former biological sciences students **Marc Stevens '07** and **Steve Miller '08**. The paper is the third in a series to investigate how various folivores are able to feed on the leaves of cherry trees, which are defended with cyanide, without suffering ill effects.

Emmanuel Nelson, English, wrote chapters on James Baldwin, Alice Walker, David Feinberg and Larry Duplechan that appear in the recently published three-volume *LGBTQ America Today* (Greenwood Press, 2009). He also served as the advisory editor for the project.

Catherine Smith, health promotion, and Health Promotion Intern **Elisabeth Santana '11**, presented an all-day workshop, "Relaxation and Teamwork Styles Training," for the Jacobus Center for Reproductive Health on Jan. 30.

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between theory and practice, and ultimately to boost student achievement, Hempson said.

A faculty mentor from either the College or the school is available inside the schools to advise the college students, who range from undergraduates who haven't yet completed their required semester of student teaching to working teachers who are completing a master's degree requirement.

"PDS involves the use of graduate studies, 100 clock hours of observation or even a semester of student teaching, all different aspects of teacher education," Hempson said. "So the teachers and coordinators for the projects use different approaches. The PDS projects are not all done the same way."

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

Professional Service Awards Nominations Due Feb. 20

Nominations are due by 4 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 20, for the College's Excellence in Professional Service Awards. Letters of nomination will be accepted from SUNY Cortland students, colleagues or supervisors. Any professional who has completed at least two years of service at SUNY Cortland is eligible for an award.

Nomination materials must be submitted to Chair, Professional Service Awards Committee, Bursar's Office, Miller Building, Room 323. Nominees will be notified by the Awards Committee of their candidacy after Feb. 20.

Awards will be given for excellence in three categories: Institutional Service Award, Innovation Within Profession Award, and Service to Students Award.

The awards committee reserves the right to request additional supporting information as necessary. Nominees must have completed at least two years of service as a professional staff member and must not have been a recipient of an award within the same category within the previous three years. Nominations should be for current service/innovation/achievements and for activities that would either not be considered to be within the normal scope of activities included in the nominee's performance program or should be documented to show how the service/innovation/achievement exceeded normal expectations.

For more information, contact Professional Service Awards Committee Chair Colleen DeGouff, student accounts, at (607) 753-2412.

Sports Schedule

Capital Letters Denote Home Games

Tuesday, Feb. 17

Women's Basketball at Potsdam, 6 p.m.
Men's Basketball at Potsdam, 8 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 20

Baseball at Salisbury (Md.), 2 p.m.
Women's Basketball at Brockport, 6 p.m.
MEN'S ICE HOCKEY vs. Potsdam, 7 p.m.
Men's Basketball at Brockport, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 21

Men's Track and Field at Cornell Deneault Invitational, 10 a.m.
Women's Track and Field at Cornell Deneault Invitational, 10 a.m.
Wrestling at Empire Collegiate Wrestling Conference Championships, (Oswego), 11 a.m.
Women's Gymnastics at Brockport, 1 p.m.
Baseball at Mary Washington (Va.), 1 p.m.
Women's Ice Hockey at Elmira, 2 p.m.
Women's Basketball at Fredonia, 2 p.m.
Men's Basketball at Fredonia, 4 p.m.
MEN'S ICE HOCKEY vs. Plattsburgh, 7 p.m.
Men's Swimming and Diving at Last Chance Meet at NYU, TBA
Women's Swimming and Diving at Last Chance Meet at NYU, TBA

Sunday, Feb. 22

Baseball at Catholic University (Washington, D.C.), noon.
Women's Ice Hockey at Elmira, 2 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 24

Men's Ice Hockey at SUNYAC Quarterfinals, TBA
Men's Basketball at SUNYAC Quarterfinals, TBA
Women's Basketball at SUNYAC Quarterfinals, TBA

Friday, Feb. 27

Women's Basketball at SUNYAC Semifinals, TBA
Men's Basketball at SUNYAC Semifinals, TBA

Saturday, Feb. 28

MEN'S LACROSSE vs. Western New England (Yorktown, N.Y.), 1 p.m.
Women's Track and Field at SUNYAC Indoor Championships (Hobart William Smith), TBA
WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS vs. Ithaca, 11 a.m. or 1 p.m.
Men's Track and Field at SUNYAC Indoor Championships (Hobart William Smith), TBA
Men's Basketball at SUNYAC Finals, TBA
Women's Basketball at SUNYAC Finals, TBA
Men's Ice Hockey at SUNYAC Semifinals, TBA
Women's Ice Hockey at ECAC West First Round

Coming Events

Monday, Feb. 16

Legal Holiday: Classes are in session, offices are closed.

Tuesday, Feb. 17

NYPIRG Student Action Meeting: Keynote speaker is Fran Clark, New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG) Program Coordinator, Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 6-8 p.m.

Workshop: "Job Search in Tough Economic Times," sponsored by Career Services, Corey Union Fireplace Lounge, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 18

Black History Month Sandwich Seminar: "How to Survive Diversity When You Are the Diversity," Noelle Paley, philosophy and Africana studies, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 12:30 p.m.

Rozanne M. Brooks Lecture Series: "Practicing Nonviolence," Andrew Fitz-Gibbon, philosophy, Moffett Center, Room 2125, 4:30 p.m.; Reception at 4 p.m. in the Rozanne M. Brooks Museum.

Wellness Wednesday Series: "Stop Hazing, Build Lifelong Friendships," Mitch Crane, Association of Fraternity Advisors, Corey Union Exhibition Lounge, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 19

Black History Month Sandwich Seminar: "Relationship Between Religious Involvement, Social Capital and Academic Achievement Among Urban High School Students," Brian Barrett, foundations and social advocacy, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, noon.

Saturday, Feb. 21

SUNY Financial Aid Day: Free financial advice, Old Main, Room G-25, 9 a.m.-noon. Open to the public; pre-registration is required by calling (800) 342-3811, or by visiting www.suny.edu/studentevents.

Sunday, Feb. 22

Event: "Celebration in Worship" recognizing, affirming and reinstating the ordination of Vicki A. Johnson and installing her as executive director of the Cortland County Council of Churches; The Interfaith Center, 3 p.m.

\$ Gospel Choir Concert: "A Gospel Choir 2009 Cultural Celebration," Old Main Brown Auditorium, 4 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 23

Eating Disorder Awareness Week: Events are scheduled through Thursday, Feb. 26.

Tuesday, Feb. 24

Women's Initiatives Committee Brown Bag Lunch: "Understanding the Employee Assistance Program" (EAP), Bonnie Merchant, admissions/EAP Coordinator, Corey Union, Room 209, noon-1 p.m.

Concert: "An Evening of Chamber Music," presented by the Performing Arts Department, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 25

UUP Lunch Meeting: "UUP's Political Action Plan — The February Blitz and Beyond," Corey Union Caleion Room, noon-1:30 p.m. (buffet opens 11:45). Open to academics and professionals; advance sign up by Feb. 17 is requested.

Concert: "Music of African American Composers for Piano and Voice," Edward Moore, performing arts, will accompany soprano Anne Shelly, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 12:30 p.m.

Wellness Wednesday Series: "Andrea's Voice," Doris and Tom Smeltzer will discuss their daughter's struggle with an eating disorder, Corey Union Function Room, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 26

Black History Month Sandwich Seminar: "Survival Guide for Women of Color at SUNY Cortland," Members of Women of Color student organization, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, noon.

Teach-In: "Hearing the Women of the Congo," featuring a film, "The Greatest Silence: Rape in the Congo," followed by discussion, Dowd Fine Arts Gallery, 4 p.m.

Reception: 11th annual Unity Celebration. Keynote speaker: Carlos Medina '78, SUNY Office of Diversity and Educational Equity, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge, 5:30 p.m.

Wilkins Bird Lecture: "The Second Atlas of Breeding Birds in New York: 20 Years of Change," Kevin McGowan, Cornell Lab of Ornithology, Sperry Center, Room 106, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 28

Children's Museum Series: "Dancing for All," Children's Museum, O'Heron Newman Hall, 8 Calvert St., Cortland, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Sunday, March 1

Opening Reception: "Erasing Borders," Dowd Gallery, 2-5 p.m.



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