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Cayuga CC Holds Tuition Steady for 2010-11

With question marks still hovering over Albany's budget deliberations and students across the state looking to stretch their higher education dollars, two things are clear at Cayuga Community College. Enrollment will rise in 2010-11, and tuition will stay the same.

For the coming year, the college has announced it will continue last year's annual tuition rate of \$3,560 for full-time students living in New York State. Those who live outside Cayuga County must provide a current Certificate of Residence from their county clerk to qualify for in-state tuition.

Two neighboring community colleges, according to their websites, are increasing their tuition and will charge more than Cayuga. For 2010-11, tuition at Onondaga is \$3,784 and at Tompkins-Cortland, \$3,760.

With classes starting September 1, Cayuga projects a solid increase in enrollment for the coming year. Already, 2,823 students have registered for the fall semester, a year-to-date rise of nearly 10 percent. The numbers continue an upward trend; last year's total enrollment jumped 31 percent from 2008-9.

According to Diane Hutchinson, vice president for administrative services and treasurer for Cayuga, the annual tuition planning process must balance several possible scenarios for enrollment, operating costs, state aid and other potential revenues and expenditures. "An increase in enrollment," she explains, "doesn't necessarily mean a windfall, because it may necessitate adding instructors, technology and services."

An unknown factor, pending resolution of the New York State budget, is the amount of state aid Cayuga will receive. Aid is normally based on the number of students,

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Things We'd Like to Share About Your Former Classmates...

"We cannot live for ourselves alone. Our lives are connected by a thousand invisible threads, and along these sympathetic fibers, our actions run as causes and return to us as results."

— Herman Melville

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1) Putting a Positive Spin on Adversity

Harold Kushner wrote the book *When Bad Things Happen to Good People*. It's human nature to feel sorry for ourselves and ask "why did this have to happen to me or someone we love?" But there are selfless individuals who decide to take action and "put a positive spin on a bad situation." Here is how three of our alumni, Michael Fahey and Stan Kott, both members of ACC's class of '68, and "We would like to hear your story."

— Louise Wilson, Alumni Director

John Scolaro Jr. class of '74, decided to put on a positive spin – literally – each from a different perspective.

Michael Fahey '68

After his wife Ruth succumbed to breast cancer in September 1995, Michael Fahey decided to bicycle across the United States. He did this in memory of Ruth and also to raise funds for the American Cancer Society. Michael and his daughter Shari cycled 3,000 miles in 38 days, from Newport, OR to Washington, DC.

Finishing this cross-country trek, Michael spent part of the next eleven years cycling across the world to

further the cause of breast cancer awareness and to raise funds for research and education programs. In 2008, Michael bicycled the length of Africa, 7,000 miles in four months from Cairo, Egypt to Cape Town, South Africa. He returned last year after cycling from Melbourne to Sydney, Australia.

On October 20, Michael and a few friends from his African trek are heading to South America. They will cycle from São Paulo, Brazil south to Curitiba, west across the Paraguay border to Argentina, and hopefully across the Andes on to Chile. A trek of 2,500 miles in 40 days. This will be the last major continent for Michael to cycle across.

During the spring months, Michael, a NYS certified cycling instructor, spends time teaching bicycle safety to middle school students in western New York. That is most definitely a "positive" spin on bad situations that affect more people than most of us realize.



Fahey biking in Ethiopia

Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor wrote "We don't accomplish anything in this world alone...and whatever happens is the result of the whole tapestry of one's life and all the weavings of individual threads from one to another that creates something."

You will find that ACC/CCC is the common thread that creates our tapestry as alumni. Since graduating, some of us have been blessed to go on and live our dream. Some are still working towards that dream, while others are taking each day as it comes. There are those who have found ways to overcome and maybe even find something positive from life's adversity. Some have made a major impact with their actions, while others may think that their contributions are insignificant. However, anyone who has been on the receiving end of that giving recognizes that no act of kindness is ever small.

Though there are certainly more than ten things to be shared, here are some:

Stanley (Stas') Kott '68



Stas' Kott '68

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) has been working to protect children since 1984. The Center's mission is to "help prevent child abduction and

sexual exploitation; help find missing children; and assist victims of abduction and sexual exploitations, their families, and the professionals who serve them."

The New York Branch of NCMEC holds five annual Rides for Missing Children throughout the state. Each ride is a 100-mile journey completed in one day. They are not bike races but events where the entire group of cyclists rides together as a single team. The fundraising bike tour has a threefold purpose: "to remember all missing children; to spread awareness; and to raise financial support." On May 21, Stas' Kott, ACC alum, member of the CCC Board of Trustees and the CCC Foundation, joined this year's Central New York ride. It was his first such endeavor.

More than 400 participants rode

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Musings from the Alumni Director

Have you ever thought about how much you learned in class but have forgotten? It's mind boggling to watch *Jeopardy* and hear Alex Trebek say "The answer is



Louise Wilson
ACC/CCC
Alumni Director

Deus ex machina". You know you knew what it meant at one point in time. Alex is waiting for your question; it's on the tip of your tongue. You even have an image in your mind of sitting in Dan Labeille's theatre class and hearing him talk about it. But *what* the heck is it? Or *who* was it? Alex is still waiting. At the time, we didn't have Google and the "Information Superhighway" to search for an insignificant piece of trivia, or to surf the web for an elusive bit of knowledge. So it just niggles away in the back of your brain until you remember...

So, anyway, I was thinking that as much as things have changed here on campus, they've also stayed the same. Students are still rushing around from class to class, though now they're texting along the way. We're rushing from meeting to meeting, but some are tweeting. And we're all searching for that elusive space in the parking lot, and it's *still* not there.

Things are all pretty much the same from one year to the next.

To prove my point, I scanned some of the old *Nainrubua* year-books that are proudly lined up on a shelf in our office. There are some rather comical hair styles and clothing choices in most of them. You know who you are. Then you look out into the hall, and...you guessed it, still lots of unusual hair styles and clothing choices.

It's always fun to see the high school students come for college tours because you know that before long, they'll be the ones rushing from class to class just like we did. We're all alumni from Auburn or Cayuga. We took our classes on James Street or the "new" campus on Franklin Street. Growing numbers attended class at the old Holy Family School or currently on West Broadway in Fulton, and we all did the same things, just at different times or places. It will continue to be that way for many years to come. The cycle continues and a new crop of freshmen turns into our graduating class in the blink of an eye.

Then one day, out of nowhere, you remember...Deus ex machina...it's a Latin phrase (remember Latin?). It's a plot device used in theatre. *That's* what Dan was talking about in that long forgotten memory. Funny thing is it's just like our days at Cayuga, a plot device along the information superhighway of life.

Louise Barwinczok Wilson '72
Director of Alumni Affairs

A Message from CCC President



Dr. Daniel Larson
CCC President

Greetings to ACC/CCC Alumni and Friends, It's a pleasure to provide you with this update about College activities and projects. There's

so much going on, that it's a challenge to cover everything adequately. But, this update does give you some highlights.

First, the New York State budget has been as great a challenge to the College as to everyone else. Last November, just after the election, the Governor cut SUNY community college base aid by \$130 per FTE, from \$2,675 to \$2,545. Although that occurred well after the half year point in the NYS fiscal year and at the end of the first quarter of the College fiscal year, our increased student enrollment and savings in other areas allowed us to handle it without any noticeable difference. Now, the Governor is cutting SUNY community colleges \$40 million in the NYS budget that began on April 1, which is another \$285 per FTE. This completes the full \$415 cut that the Governor proposed more than a year ago, and sets our NYS funding back an entire decade. Forty years ago, when SUNY community colleges became "full opportunity" institutions by providing access to all students, New York State committed to providing 40% of our operating budgets, which actually occurred just once in the intervening years. Today, NYS funding will have declined to about the same level as that of our local sponsor, Cayuga County, which by NYS regulation is 26.7%. Student tuition will be well above 40% of the total this year, much too high for what was promised. I remain very concerned that our students are carrying too much of this financial burden in what is a public university system. Meanwhile, the underlying structural issues associated with the NYS budget apparently still are not being addressed.

While political leaders tout the importance of community colleges in training and retraining our workforce, and in educating our students at a very reasonable cost, our budgets are being cut. In the end, we will continue to evolve more like private colleges, receiving some NYS support but ever more dependent upon ways by which we can generate our own revenue. There's much more to come here in the future.

The second area that you've probably heard about is the Fulton campus. Earlier this year, I reported that we were ready to purchase the vacant P&C store at the River Glen site in Fulton, and move our campus there with a target date of August 2011. In the end, a real estate attorney got the property, with some unusual things happening – i.e., the purchase was done abruptly and entirely in cash without a mortgage, no tenants were lined up, and due diligence on the property wasn't done. Based upon other information, it appears that this was done to block the College from this purchase. That being the case, we issued a "request for proposals" this Summer to determine our possible options. We intend to continue moving forward with this project. We need to own our campus facility, and not be beholden to a landlord. Despite my disappointment, I remain optimistic that the Fulton campus move will get done. We just need to find another way to do it.

Our two capital projects – the Fulton campus and the Performing Arts center – remain intact in the NYS budget. Once we know how to proceed with Fulton, we'll revise our proposal for that funding. The Performing Arts project should proceed on schedule, with a new performance facility ready to go on State Street in downtown Auburn by 2012. This will provide a tremendous boost to our Theatre program, with a state-of-the-art performance space for our students. We anticipate good opportunities for our students to have internships with the Musical Theatre Festival as it comes into being as well.

Meanwhile, this Spring, we began to discuss our next capital projects for the Auburn campus. In the works are a Media Arts & Communication Center connected to the existing Technology Building, and a new and expanded Child Care Center. We're looking at potential expansion space for athletic fields and supporting facilities. And, we're exploring possible sites for a viticulture program, which could include a demonstration vineyard and related facilities. As the planning for these projects proceeds, the Prospect Street entrance will be redesigned and reconfigured,

making it safer and more suitable as a major campus traffic way. There's much yet to do with these plans, so keep an eye out for next steps.

Our enrollment continues to increase – last Fall, up 25% in headcount and FTEs, and this Spring, up 20% in headcount and FTEs. Numbers for this Fall now are running about 10% ahead of last Fall. We're fortunate that increased enrollment brings more tuition dollars, which helped to maintain the integrity of our budget. Both campuses are very busy, with lots of people, classes, activities, projects, and traffic. We continue to hire more adjunct faculty members, and we've increased class sizes and expanded course sections. We're using our resources wisely and prudently, finding savings in areas such as utilities, travel, and equipment.

Our entrepreneurship program, under the leadership of Professor Tom Paczkowski, has received national and international recognition this past year. Last October in Chicago, we presented at the annual conference of the National Association for Community College Entrepreneurship, featuring our infusion model across the curriculum. Earlier this Spring, we presented in Baltimore at the national conference of the League for Innovation in the Community College. Subsequently, American and Canadian colleges have visited us to learn more about our approach. In October in Toronto, we'll present at the annual congress of the Association of Community College Trustees. We've made a connection with a British consortium that will help to extend our global reach with entrepreneurship education. And, the Kauffman Foundation grant program, of which we are a constituent member through Syracuse University, has provided resources and time for our faculty and students to engage in start-up projects that give them entrepreneurship opportunities in their courses. It's exciting to see the variety of student-run projects underway – 3C Records, video company, Gorgeous Gowns Second Time Around, business writing, Prince of Sauces, and others.

I hope that you'll visit us soon – we have a wide range of activities, projects, and events during the academic year. As I write this letter in July, the Fall semester will be upon us very shortly, so there's lots of anticipation for what comes next. If it's been a while since you've been on campus, this is my invitation to do so. As alums, you're important to the College.

Sincerely,
Dan

iPod Raffle

One of the biggest challenges the Alumni Office faces is keeping track of our graduates after they leave. As an incentive to get people to update their contact information, we had a raffle for an Apple iPod and anyone who sent in updated information was entered. The winner's name was drawn at the Alumni Awards Brunch in May. The lucky new iPod owner is Robert "Kip" Brown '72.

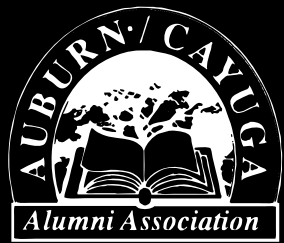


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Once again you wouldn't be reading this paper without the assistance of the three Marys: Kriever, Wejko and Merritt. Together we're a team, brainstorming, researching, writing and editing this paper. It's very personally rewarding to work with such helpful and enthusiastic people. We truly enjoy working on this publication and hope you continue to enjoy reading it.
– Louise



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Dear Cayuga Community College Alumni and Friends,

As I near the completion of my first year as president of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association, I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for all of the support I received throughout the year. My year had a shaky start with open heart surgery in mid-December. Our vice president, Ted Herrling, did a great job filling in for me during my illness. The other board mem-



Tony Gucciardi
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bers also worked hard to keep our association functioning well. They include John Lamphere, Fred Falsey, Judy Campanella, Lori Cochran, Lloyd Hoskins, Paul Ringwood, Jo Ann Harris, Lisa Babiarz, John McLeod, Terry Wilbur, Gerry Guiney and Ang Marinelli. I would like to give special acknowledgement to our director, Louise Wilson, for her tireless efforts to make our association one of the best alumni associations in New York State. College cooperation is another important factor in our continuing success and the support of Dr. Larson and Jeff Hoffman is much appreciated.

Graduation was an impressive ceremony with much joy and sense of accomplishment.

I took real pleasure in being able to address the graduates and invite them to participate with us in the ACC/CCC Alumni Association. Earlier in the day, the Association presented Alumni Awards to Carol MacKenzie, Cathleen McColgin and John Rossi. I was proud to present our Distinguished Service Award to retired Foundation executive director/professor Dan Labeille for his many years of service and innovative programs at our college.

Our alumni "trips" program had another very successful year thanks to the hard work of board members John Lamphere and Lori Cochran, as well as our director, Louise Wilson. Included were trips to New York City and

the ever popular excursion to Gettysburg. I would also like to thank Judy Campanella for coordinating our two fundraisers, the Holiday Craft Fair's pizza sale and the Antiques Appraisal Day.

In closing, I would like to repeat my opinion on the wonderful value that is Cayuga Community College. The community college experience has literally opened the door to higher education for a multitude of students who would otherwise be denied the opportunity. I will be forever grateful for the wonderful education I received at Auburn Community College. I invite our new graduates to join us in continuing our support of this great institution.

-Tony Gucciardi '61



Association Participates in "Chairs for Children" Project

The Dolly Parton Imagination Library program provides free books to children under the age of 5 living in Cayuga County. Since its inception in 2008, more than 3,000 children have participated in the program and more than 34,000 books have been mailed. The "Chairs for Children" project helps raise funds to continue this program. The CCC Early Childhood department, in conjunction with other community organizations, purchased wooden chairs. These chairs were sold to groups or individuals to creatively paint.

This year, the Alumni Association purchased one of the chairs to donate to the cause. Alumni board member, Lori Cochran, along with the help of her husband, Sean, created the Association's entry. Thirty-seven hand-painted chairs were featured in a silent auction during a fundraising dinner on June 11 at the Springside Inn in Auburn.

More information on the Imagination Library can be found by visiting the E. John Gavras Center Web site (www.gavrascenter.com).



Don't Trash It, Cash It: 8th Annual Antique Appraisal Fair

Heirlooms taking up room?
Collectibles collecting dust?
The Alumni Association's eighth annual Antique Appraisal Fair will be held on **Sunday, October 17.**

Bring in your items to have antique experts offer opinions of their value. The event is open to the public from noon to 4 p.m. in the Auburn Campus Student Lounge.

A fee of \$2 per item or \$5 for three items will be charged. Photographs will be welcome for pieces too large to carry in. All proceeds will support programs and services of the Auburn/Cayuga CC Alumni Association. For details, contact the Alumni Office at 315-255-1743, extension 2224 or 2454.

Annual Alumni Meeting Notice

The Annual Meeting of the Auburn/Cayuga Community College Alumni Association will be held Tuesday, September 14, 2010, at 7 p.m. in the Faculty Dining Room of Cayuga Community College, 197 Franklin Street, Auburn, NY 13021.

As an active member of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association, you have voting privileges at this meeting. If you are unable to attend and would like to send in a proxy vote, please contact the Alumni Office at (315) 255-1792, extension 2224 or 2454, or send an email to alumni@cayuga-cc.edu to request a proxy statement be sent to you.

The agenda for the Annual Meeting will include:

- Approval of May 2010 Minutes
- Treasurer's Report
- President's Report
- CCC Foundation Report
- Alumni Director Report
- New and Old Business
- Election of Board of Directors

Annual Alumni Award 2010 Recipients

Each year the ACC/CCC Alumni Association hosts an awards program recognizing alumni who have set themselves apart through their service to the community and/or Auburn/Cayuga Community College. Selection of recipients is based on a range of criteria that include volunteer service, involvement in civic functions or vocational achievements, to name a few. Recipients exhibit qualities symbolic of the mission of the Alumni Association: *to promote and enhance relations among the alumni, the College community, and the community at large.*

Recipients of the 2010 award include Cathleen C. McColgin, Ph.D. '86, Carol A. MacKenzie '74 and John C. Rossi, Esq. '58. They were honored by the Alumni Association at a brunch held at the Springside Inn on May 23 and were recognized at the college's Commencement ceremony later that day.

Dr. Cathleen McColgin's association with CCC has been a long and impressive one. A 1986 graduate of Cayuga's nursing program, Cathleen completed her bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees at Syracuse University. She joined the CCC faculty in 1988 as Coordinator of the Nursing Lab and has served in a series of instructional and administrative roles, becoming a nursing professor and later the provost of the Fulton Campus as it evolved into a SUNY-designated branch campus. In 2005 Cathleen received the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Professional Service.

In August 2008, Dr. McColgin was named Provost and Senior Vice President of Onondaga Community College. She and her husband Robert have three grown children, Colleen, Todd, and Jennifer. Cathleen enjoys golf and travel in her free time.

Carol MacKenzie is the Administrative Assistant in the college's Foundation Office, a position she has held since July 1996. She coordinates Foundation responsibilities including receipt of all donations in support of college programs and services, administering the college endowment, publishing the annual report, distributing 300 scholarships annually to Cayuga students, supporting cultural and civic programming on the campus, and conducting fund-raising campaigns to benefit the college. In 2006 and in 2009, Carol received the college's Educational Support Professionals Excellence Award.

Being a firm believer in community service, Carol volunteers at the Sennett Federated Church, has worked at fund-raising dinners and events and serves on a variety of committees. The ACC/CCC tradition is a strong one in the MacKenzie family; not only is Carol a proud graduate, so is her husband Aden '82, and their children Derek '06 and '10 and Colleen '08.

Following graduation from ACC, John Rossi received a Bachelor of Arts degree in History from Siena College and earned his Juris Doctor from Syracuse University College of Law. In 1964 he was admitted to the New York State bar and founded his current private law practice in Auburn. Since 2007 John has served as corporation counsel for the City of Auburn. In the local and statewide public sector, he has served as attorney for the Auburn Urban Renewal Agency, assistant district attorney for Cayuga County, associate counsel to joint legislative committees of the New York State Senate and Assembly, and first associate counsel to the speaker of the New York State Assembly.

According to a friend and colleague, John's charitable work is done without looking for any attention. He has been involved with many civic organizations, serving as past president and board member of the Neighborhood House of Auburn; former trustee of the Cayuga Museum of History and Art; member and officer of Council 207 Knights of Columbus; and a member of the Auburn Cable Commission. He and his wife Suzanne have two sons, John Jr. and Steven, and a daughter, Laura.



2010 Award Recipients Daniel Labeille, Cathleen McColgin '86, Carol MacKenzie '74 and John Rossi '58.

Distinguished Service Award

The Distinguished Service Award was established in 2008 by the ACC/CCC Alumni Association Board of Directors. It began as an opportunity to recognize exceptional contributions to our college by an individual (alum or non alum) who believes that higher education is an essential element in the enrichment of our culture. The award is not bestowed on a yearly or regular basis, but only when an individual's "good works" are deemed exemplary. The award's first recipients were Michael Hollingworth and Shona Falconer in 2008 for their exceptional work with Cayuga's International Education program in London. Retired Foundation Executive Director Daniel C. Labeille is the recipient in 2010.

Dan Labeille began his career at ACC in 1966 as an instructor of French. The next year, he started the Theatre Department, and in 1971 introduced the radio and TV programs. He was named full professor in both departments and later served as chair upon their consolidation. From 1966 to 1981, Dan directed most of the college's theatrical productions, a total of 46 in a 15-year period.

In 1982, Dan assisted college Trustee Dr. Joseph F. Karpinski, Sr. in creating the Cayuga Community College Foundation to cultivate donor support for the college. He would later serve for 17 years as the Foundation's executive director and for six years on its Board of Directors. During his tenure with the Foundation, many successful campaigns raised millions of dollars for campus refurbishment and renovations; new construction; endowments for the Foundation; scholarship funds; and Cultural Enrichment and Program Initiative funding.

Dan's involvement in the London Theatre Program lasted for 32 years. This was the college's first overseas program and became the model for Cayuga's London programs which now serve hundreds of students each year. In 1997 the Daniel C. Labeille "Artist-in-Residence" grants program was established in his honor.

Dan's community involvement includes work with the Hospice of Central New York, Hospice Foundation, Cultural Resources Council of Onondaga County, Planned Parenthood of Syracuse, Seward Foundation Historical Association and the Auburn Memorial Hospital Foundation. He and his wife Grace have three children, Steven, Lisa and Claudine, and are proud grandparents of Bennett and Nieve. In his free time, Dan enjoys photography, fishing and traveling.



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Putting a Positive Spin on Adversity CONTINUED FROM FRONT

100 miles through the Mohawk Valley and visited schools along the way. The riders set personal fundraising goals and Stas' raised more than \$5,000, over twice his goal. While Stas' reasons for participating in this ride are his own, he shared these thoughts at the completion of his ride: "Every day is a chance to learn more, to explore the unknown, to become a better person, to test your knowledge and your limits."

Following the ride, Stas' also commented: "This was by far the most inspirational volunteer effort I have ever experienced. The school children we visited while stopping at their schools were so excited. The parents of missing children were so grateful for our effort and support. Folks lined our route and cheered us on, and the volunteers who worked made the logistics possible. All combined to make this a truly memorable day."

Stas' thanked everyone who supported and encouraged him as he put his own personal "spin" on a nationwide tragedy.

(Editor's Note: For more information visit www.rideformissingchildren.org. There may be but a few individuals in Auburn and the surrounding area who are not aware of the personal tragedy that led to the founding of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). This website makes mention of "the tragic abduction and murder of 6-year-old Adam Walsh in 1981 that brought national attention to issues faced by families of missing children each year." Adam was the son of John Walsh, ACC class of '65 alum and nationally known host of "America's Most Wanted" television show.)

John J. Scolaro Jr. '74 "The reason we do what we do."



John J. Scolaro Jr. '74

Inspiration comes in many forms from John Scolaro. His fundraising web page provides encouraging words and gives a forum for discussion on blood diseases and personal stories, as well as provides updates on his Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's TNT (Team in Training) campaign. John trained for the Fletcher Flyer, a 100 mile, 4044' climb that was held June 6. This cycling event included the riders from the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's TNT program. Since 1988, more than 295,000 volunteer TNT participants have raised more than \$660 million for research and patient services. Scolaro set a fundraising goal of \$5,000 for his friends, or as he calls them, "Honored Heroes," John and Fred.

Though Scolaro now resides in Orlando, Florida, he has kept strong ties with many local friends, one of whom was first diagnosed in 2002 with Acute Myelogenous Leukemia (AML). This summer, Scolaro's friend shared that he still feels good and his daily routine remains unchanged. And, to his friend John Scolaro says, "Your energy and charity makes it easier for me to undertake whatever my future holds. You are one of a kind, the finest kind." Scolaro's friend and "Honored Hero" Fred was also diagnosed with AML in 2002. This summer he was happy to say that he was in remission. As a product of Scolaro's fundraising efforts, he says, "The result, a second chance at life for me and the opportunity to let others know they

can make a difference. I thank you for being part of the Team in Training."

Here are some excerpts from John's website:
 Update March 18, 2010 - Last Sunday our team rode our first 40 miler. Oh yea, did I mention the HILLS?...it's like crossing the Rockies.
 Update March 26, 2010 - I hit 37% of goal. Thank you, Thank you! Earlier today my YMCA spinning instructor was brutal. Of course I mean that in a nice way... but she did punish the class and reiterated the words "It's what you want." I'll remember those words as I hit the NC Mountains on June 6th.
 Update 2 March 26, 2010 - Today's reason why we do what we do... While at the mall for dinner, I met with a concierge person and she informed me that her mother had passed away from Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma.
 Update April 12, 2010 - Effort=Results! I thought about my Honorary Heroes often as the strain turned into pain and I said to myself, "Self, this is nothing compared to a shot of chemo."
 Update April 16, 2010 - Good spinning class at the Y. Hopefully the training will prepare me for the BIGGEST and the TOUGHEST SUGARLOAF MOUNTAIN training ride.
 Update April 18, 2010 - "What Sugar?" one of my team members yelled as he came over the crest of Sugarloaf Mountain during today's 65 miler, hill killer, waterbug, humid, training ride kind of day!
 Update April 21, 2010 - I'm at 59% of goal.
 Update May 1, 2010 - Today's reason why we do what we do... I am lost for words... my friend just informed me that his wonderful wife has been diagnosed with lung cancer. I ask that you pray for his family!
 Update May 5, 2010 - Happy Cinco de Mayo! Hey, Mexican food is a favorite for bicyclists. I hit the 70% mark on my goal. No better way to work off that burrito than to spin at the YMCA.
 Update May 8, 2010 - OMG which stands for lots of things, such as one month to go, or one missing gear.
 Update May 14, 2010 - The reason we do what we do... the Celebration Florida Relay for Life event was tonight. While visiting one of the booths, I spoke with Melissa who recently lost her mother to cancer and leukemia.
 Update May 19, 2010 - Good morning wake-up spinning class with inhuman YMCA instructor.

Update June 6, 2010 - AWESOME EXPERIENCE! OVER 800 RIDERS WERE GATHERING AND PREPPING FOR THE 100 MILER WE WERE ABOUT TO CONQUER. The reason we do what we do... the coach's son, Collin, a leukemia survivor.
 Update June 19, 2010 - GOAL ACCOMPLISHED WE-YOU & ME, SURPASSED OUR GOAL OF \$5,000. THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

"And that's the reason I did what I did."

While they still lived in Auburn, John owned and operated Ski Swap Ltd. and Lake Country Sports for many years. His wife, the former Linda Guyder, owned The Printery, also in Auburn. After leaving the area, they relocated to Florida where both are licensed realtors.



John and his team

Though he no longer lives in New York, John continues to maintain strong ties with his family and friends in the Auburn area. Through his work with TNT and other fundraising endeavors, John Scolaro is "Putting a Positive Spin on Adversity."

(Editor's Note: To read more of John's inspirational thoughts, you can visit his website at: www.johnstnt.com)

Heroes Among Us

The Cayuga County Chapter of the American Red Cross recently held its "2010 Real Heroes" 11th Annual Awards Ceremony. The Chapter recognizes local heroes who are acknowledged for life-saving actions and contributions to the community. These recipients are your neighbors, co-workers, community members; this year, two of them are Cayuga Community College Alumni.

Phillip Waterman '69

Phillip Waterman began donating leukopheresis (white blood cells) when his younger brother had cancer. He began donating in March 2000, and as of March 2010, he had given 138 aphaeresis donations. Every two weeks, he makes the trip from his home in Red Creek to the Red Cross donation center in Liverpool to endure a two-hour process of aphaeresis. In 2006, his wife Marcia joined Phillip and has also become a donor. In 2009 he donated 21 times, giving three transfusable doses of platelets each time.

These important platelets are used during heart bypass surgery and to help cancer patients. Because the shelf life is only five days, finding contributors can be difficult. During the transfusion process, Phillip often thinks of his brother Gary who died of leukemia. He shares that after his brother died, "I decided then that I had to pay back."

Michael J. Lupo '03

Nominated by Mark Driscoll, Deputy Michael Lupo is another CCC alumni "Real Heroes" award recipient. Driscoll suffered a heart attack while driving his car and crashed it. He believes that Deputy Lupo is his guardian angel and has given him a second opportunity at life. Michael was commended for his outstanding job during a very serious incident. He was the first on the scene and responded professionally while waiting for and assisting EMTs when they arrived.

Deputy Lupo is in his 14th year with the Cayuga County Sheriff's Office, most of that time as a K-9 officer, and he has received nine letters of appreciation. He is a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps and he and his wife Lisa are the parents of Amanda and Morgan. Michael is active in the community coaching youth hockey and softball.

In March, an article in the Auburn Citizen reported that the Cayuga County Chapter of the Red Cross receives nominations throughout the year. They award the annual honor to those who match the criteria: to have done something heroic, or to have demonstrated extraordinary dedication to an activity that saves lives. However, real-life heroes do not see themselves as such, or that they are deserving of any awards. We feel otherwise.

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Alumni Association Awards 7 Scholarships

The ACC/CCC Alumni Association has awarded seven scholarships to new, continuing, nontraditional age, and transferring Cayuga students for the 2010-11 academic year. Recipients are:

Incoming freshmen: Meghan McCann, Fulton High School; Michael Westmiller, Auburn High School

Continuing student: Alyssa Tardiff, Skaneateles

Nontraditional-age student: Margaret Murray, Auburn

Transferring graduates: Mark Brooks, Auburn, transferring to Empire State College; Jennaca Longley, Sterling, transferring to Rochester Institute of Technology; Kelly Schafer, Auburn, transferring to SUNY Oswego

Candidates are judged on application essays and scholastic merit; freshman awards are reserved for children or grandchildren of Cayuga alumni.



Washington, DC Bus Trip

April 1-3, 2011
 Join us for a two-night trip to our Nation's capital during Cherry Blossom season!
 Trip goes on sale January 3, 2011
 Watch for Details!

NYC Summer Trip - 2010

By Lori A. Cochran '05

The Alumni Association's annual day trip to New York City offers the opportunity "to do your own thing." And again this year, despite temperatures reaching 112 degrees, a great time was had by all. Several people visited Greenwich Village and the South Street Seaport areas of the city where vendors and street performers were still in abundance throughout. And, thankfully, water was available at every turn.



Washington Square Park in New York City

The Big Apple is such a great place to visit because there is something for everyone. A must-see destination is Ground Zero. It has been several years since I last visited the site. Today, construction is evident everywhere but the sense of loss is ever present when you stand overlooking the area where the World Trade Center once stood. St. Paul's Chapel and Churchyard, located across the street from the WTC, served as a place of refuge, where food, medical attention, a space to rest and support were provided to hundreds of rescue workers. St. Paul's became the site of an extraordinary, round-the-clock respite to more than 14,000 volunteers in the recovery effort following the destruction on September 11, 2001. There is a moving display of pictures, letters, patches from thousands of medical emergency units, a fireman's turnout coat, and mementos from loved ones on exhibit. As emotional as it is, it is an experience like no other.

Many fascinating things and unforgettable experiences await you in NYC, such as the return exhibition, after 30 years, of the legendary treasures of King Tut; the world famous toy store F.A.O. Schwarz; Broadway shows; museums; fabulous restaurants; as well as a profusion of places to shop. Join us on the next trip -- we're offering an overnight excursion in November.

Special shout-out to Loraine Miller, associate professor, and David Garrett, a student in her CS215 Systems and Analysis Design class: *Thank you for creating a database that allows for better recordkeeping and organization of Alumni Trips. We really appreciate your efforts to help us become more efficient!*

While we are on the subject of "thanks," we also would like to offer our appreciation to everyone who participates on our trips. We are very happy with the volume of interest and it is our pleasure to offer the trips to you.



The ACC/CCC Alumni Association - Cayuga Community College

New York City Weekend Bus Trip

November 13-14, 2010 (Saturday & Sunday)

You Don't Need to Be An Alum to Join Us!

Cost Per Person \$226

Based on two people sharing a room.

PACKAGE INCLUDES:
 Round trip motor coach including gratuity.
 One night hotel accommodations including tax at Four Points by Sheraton Midtown - Times Square, 326 West 40th Street.
 Continental breakfast, snacks and beverages on the bus.
 Full breakfast at the hotel Sunday morning.
 Full payment by check or cash only to reserve your space.
 Trip is non refundable unless there is a replacement to take your seat.

NYC TRIP DETAILS

6:00 a.m. Saturday morning our motor coach departs from Cayuga Community College/Auburn. A Continental breakfast will be served on the bus and we will make a rest stop along the way.

11:30 a.m. Approximate arrival time in Manhattan. The entire weekend is free to explore the city on your own until we leave Sunday afternoon. Explore the possibilities of a weekend in NY!

3:00 p.m. Sunday we board the bus for the return to Auburn. We will stop for fast food on the trip home.

8:00 p.m. Sunday night estimated arrival time in Auburn.

For more information contact the ACC/CCC Alumni Office
 Phone: 315.255.1743 extension 2224 or 2454
 Email: alumni@cayuga-cc.edu

The ACC/CCC Alumni Association at Cayuga Community College presents our annual excursion

Gettysburg Battlefield National Military Park Excursion 2010

Led by CCC Criminal Justice/American History Instructor John Lamphere

TWO TRIPS ARE BEING OFFERED

Leaving from the Fulton campus at 9 a.m. and the Auburn campus at 10 a.m. Friday

TRIP #1
September 17-19

TRIP #2
September 24-26

Price: \$236 per person

Price is based on two people sharing the hotel room.

Contact the Alumni Office for prices on other room types.

Payment Policy: Full payment is due at the time of sign up.

Cancellation Policy: If you need to cancel for any reason, payments are non refundable unless your seat can be filled..

To Reserve Space: This trip is open to all but sells out quickly. Mail or bring your payment to the Alumni Office. We accept personal checks or cash.

We are not able to take reservation by phone.

For Information:

ACC/CCC Alumni Office
 Louise @ 315.255.1743 ext. 2224
 or Mary @ ext. 2454

Email: Alumni@Cayuga-cc.edu

or Lori Cochran at the Powers Library, Moravia NY, 315.497.1955



TRIP INCLUDES

- Motor coach to Gettysburg, PA
- Two nights' accommodation including Continental breakfast
- Box lunch on the bus on the way
- Friday sunset photo opportunity at Little Round Top (weather permitting)
- Saturday evening dinner at the historic Farnsworth House
- Detailed guided tour each day led by John Lamphere and a copy of his personalized tour booklet
- Admission to Artillery Ridge Diorama
- Admission to Gettysburg Museum and Cyclorama
- Beverages and snacks on the bus
- Time on your own to explore the town



Dear Alumni and Friends of ACC/CCC,

Welcome to the fall 2010 *Spartan* newsletter! This issue's feature article highlights "Ten Things We'd Like to Share about your Former Classmates." The one that caught my eye was that almost 190 ACC/CCC Alumni are employed at Cayuga. This is a source of great pride for several reasons:



Jeff Hoffman
CCC Foundation
Executive
Director

We are a Family. People who attended Auburn/Cayuga Community College often make this a lifetime commitment! Among SUNY's community colleges, we lead the pack in student satisfaction surveys; alumni involvement; charitable giving; and other measures of lifelong success.

Quality of Education. Great faculty create an atmosphere for a great education. The lessons that our alumni-turned-faculty learned in CCC's classrooms translate into a great education for today's Cayuga students.

Excellence in Management.

Cayuga is one of SUNY's best in terms of financial management; the CCC Foundation; the ACC/CCC Alumni Association; and the growth of our Fulton Campus. Cayuga's success reflects the high quality work done by our alumni employees every day at our campuses.

Even if you don't work at CCC, you can always make your education count for your alma mater. Volunteer for an Alumni Association event. Refer a prospective student to the College. Return a gift to the College and our students by supporting this fall's Alumni Annual Fund Drive.

Cayuga Community College takes great pride in the accomplishments of you, our alumni. It's an added bonus when those accomplishments directly impact the College. Whether you're CCC Class of 2010 or an ACC graduate from the 1950s, your support for education at Cayuga Community College makes all the difference to today's students—our future alumni.

In the Cayuga Spirit,
Jeff Hoffman

CULTURAL ENRICHMENT

The Cayuga Community College Foundation is pleased to announce that they are underwriting a performance of *FDR* starring Ed Asner. The presentation will be held on Sunday, October 3, 2010 at 3 p.m. in the Irene A. Bisgrove Community Theatre at the Auburn Campus of Cayuga Community College.

Ed Asner, recipient of seven Emmy Awards (*Mary Tyler Moore Show*, *Lou Grant*) and 16 nominations, five Golden Globe Awards, and member of the TV Academy Hall of Fame, will star in the solo performance drama, *FDR*, based upon Dore Schary's Broadway hit *Sunrise at Campobello*, which ran 70 weeks on Broadway.

FDR explores the life of one of America's best-loved presidents and the events and decisions that shaped a nation. This powerful play follows the iconic president as he reflects on his years in office, from inauguration to the trials of World War II.

Mr. Asner has many New York City Theatre credits as well as additional television work, including appearances as a recurring guest



Television and motion picture star Ed Asner will appear in the stage production *FDR* at Cayuga Community College. The production is presented by the College Foundation's Cultural Enrichment Fund.

star on the television series *Studio 60 on the Sunset Strip* and an Emmy award-winning role as Captain Davies in the mini-series *Roots*. One of Asner's most recent as well as extremely popular works was the voice of the grumpy old widower in the movie *Up*.

Tickets are \$15 each and must be purchased in advance by sending a check payable to the CCC Foundation, Inc. at 197 Franklin Street, Auburn, NY 13021, or paid at the Foundation Office in the main building. Your tickets will

be available at the box office prior to the performance if you mailed a check. There are limited tickets and payments received after the show is sold out will be returned to sender.

This event is made possible through contributions to the Cayuga County Community College Foundation's Cultural Enrichment Fund. To help support cultural activities at CCC with your donation, contact

Jeffrey L. Hoffman, Executive Director of the Foundation, (315) 255-1743, extension 2328 or foundation@cayuga-cc.edu.

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!

An Update on the Alumni Appeal and Phone-a-Thon

From Louise Wilson, Director of Alumni Affairs

You are really the best alumni any director or Foundation could hope for. And it's verified every time Jeff Hoffman or I meet with our fellow alumni or foundation colleagues. We're repeatedly asked how we continue to have such a strong association.

We are so delighted to have friends like you who are enthusiastic, engaged and generous. As you know, our annual Alumni Appeal begins in the fall when you receive a mailing with our message and of course, to ask for your financial support. At holiday time, we send out another mailing with another opportunity to donate if you haven't already done so, and to thank you regardless and wish you and your family the best.

Traditionally, during the entire month of March, we hold our Phone-a-Thon. It's an opportunity to reach out to those who have not responded to the first two mailings. It's the final segment of the annual appeal. We enjoy having the opportunity to speak to you and ask how you are and if you have any news you'd like to share. Many people look forward to the call each year and enjoy speaking with our callers.

In this day of cell phones and people giving up their telephone land lines, each year we think that this may be the beginning of the end for the Phone-a-Thon. And each year, we keep getting pleasantly surprised at the giving spirit we encounter.

With the assistance of Greg Szczepanski '75 and Roman Maksymiw '66 from our campus Data Center, we put together a new program to assist us with the Phone-a-Thon. With help from Bruce Walter, Coordinator of Tech and Media, who set us up with phones and the IT department who loaned us computer work stations, our phone program has evolved to the twenty-first century. We were able to eliminate a huge volume of unnecessary paperwork and save lots of trees in the process. The process is now much more user friendly and our job was completed in half the time. The down side is that we weren't able to begin making calls until April and didn't complete them till early May.

For the future, we're now on track to go back to the late winter timetable. But in the meantime, if you received a call from us this spring and made a pledge, your donation will go towards the 2009-10 campaign. Since 2010-11 is right around the corner, we don't want you to think that we're asking twice in one year. We hope we can count on your continued support.

Presidents' Circle Donor Recognition

On June 2, 2010, the Cayuga Community College Foundation hosted the 24th Presidents' Circle Donor Recognition dinner at the Sherwood Inn in Skaneateles, NY. The Foundation honors the many individuals, foundations and businesses whose support makes its success possible. Members of the Presidents' Circle make annual gifts of \$1,000 and above to the CCC Foundation. Additionally, the Foundation honors benefactors who have made a gift of \$10,000 or more in any given year.

The Foundation continued its tradition of using a Cayuga student's artwork for the cover of the invitation and dinner program. This year's featured student artist was Dawna Zahn. Her artwork was in response to a class assignment "to use the medium of printmaking via linoleum cut" and "to create a five-color print using special techniques after each color is printed."

Dawna graduated from Union Springs High School and is working toward a degree in Studio Art + Design. Her future goal is to be an



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entrepreneur in the food industry. The Foundation thanks Dawna for sharing her artwork for this year's donor recognition event.



Two Cayuga CC Employees Receive SUNY Chancellor's Awards

Two employees of Cayuga Community College, one serving at the Auburn campus and one at the Fulton campus, are among this year's recipients of top honors to faculty and staff in the State University of New York system. SUNY 2010 Chancellor's Awards for Excellence went to:



William Lovell '59

William Lovell '59 of Auburn for Excellence in Professional Service. Lovell, chair of the Division of College Studies for the Fulton campus,

joined the college faculty in 1968 as an instructor of business.

Patricia Stock '91 of Weedsport for Excellence in Classified Service. Stock, an account clerk typist in the Auburn campus Registrar's office, joined the college staff in 1990 as a typist.

The awards recognize consistently superior professional achievement and honor the recipients as role models across the 64-campus State University community.



Patricia Stock '91

Two Cayuga CC Students Receive SUNY Chancellor's Awards

Students **Kelly Schafer** and **Ronald "Bill" Flesher**, members of the Class of 2010, received the Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence, the highest recognition given annually by the State University of New York to students across the 64-campus system. They represented Cayuga CC among the 228 statewide recipients of this year's award. At an awards ceremony held in Albany in April, each received a framed certificate and medallion, which they wore to the 2010 commencement ceremony, where they were featured speakers.



Kelly Schafer

Both have been Dean's List students, members of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and presidents of their campus PTK chapters. Both have worked as peer tutors for Cayuga's Academic Support Center.

Kelly Schafer of Auburn attended the Auburn campus and earned the Associate in Arts degree in Liberal Arts and Science: Humanities and Social Sciences. While completing a concentration in psychology, she assisted in two psychology courses as a student intern. A 2008 graduate of Auburn High School, she served as

president of the Tutor Club and helped coordinate the club's highly successful Prom Dress Project, soliciting donations of gently-used gowns to sell at low cost to local high school students, with proceeds donated to Haiti earthquake relief and area food banks. She plans to complete her bachelor's and master's degrees and pursue a career in the field of psychology.



Ronald Flesher

Ronald "Bill" Flesher of Liverpool attended the Fulton campus and earned an Associate in Science degree in Liberal Arts and Science: Mathematics and Science. He plans to pursue a degree and a new career in radiography. Flesher, a native of West Virginia, came to Cayuga after a 24-year career in navigation, recruiting and training for the United States Navy. (See separate article on page 13 to read more about Bill's "first" career.)

Statewide, the grade point average of the 2010 award recipients is 3.8 out of a possible 4.0. Created 13 years ago by the State University of New York, the Chancellor's Award recognizes outstanding grades and significant accomplishments within the campus or community.



Mark Brooks, Kimberly Higgins, Mary Ann Kidd, Stacey Putney, Assistant Professor Dawn Matijas, Kimberly Hart, Michael Toporzycki, Deborah Harvey.

CA\$H for Cayuga County – CA\$H – Creating Assets, Savings and Hope

Assistant Professor of Accounting, Dawn Matijas '96, has been working with the United Way to provide assistance to Cayuga County residents by offering free tax preparation for qualified low-wage earner families. The service helps low- and moderate-income households apply for tax credits they may not be aware of; in particular, the federal Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC). These credits can result in a significant refund for the families.

Families save money since the program is free. It is staffed by volunteers who are trained in tax law and on special software utilized by the IRS. Training is done locally at the United Way and at Cayuga Community College.

Dawn recruits her second-year accounting students to volunteer their services. This year there were seven accounting students helping

to prepare tax returns: Mark Brooks, Stacey Putney, Deborah Harvey, Mike Toporzycki, Rachel Johnson, Mary Ann Kidd, and Kirk Bennett. The volunteers worked right up until the April 15 tax deadline.

This is the 5th year the United Way has provided this service to Cayuga County and the 2nd year Cayuga Community College has been the host site for the tax return preparation. In 2005 they prepared 180 returns with earned income tax credit (EITC) of \$197,553, and total refunds amounting to \$321,000.

In 2010 the volunteers prepared 573 tax returns that resulted in total refunds of approximately \$1.2 million and EITC refunds of close to half a million. These numbers represent a 14% increase in returns prepared over last year and 218% increase since the program's inception 5 years ago.



Criminal Justice Club Raises Funds

Pictured here are: (l-r): Teri Misiaszek, CJ Instructor and Club Advisor; Thereze Whitfield; Rhonda Stanford-Zahn, Director of the Children's Advocacy Initiative; Norman Ashbarry, Law Enforcement Coordinator of the Child Advocacy Initiative; Jamie Groom, Club Treasurer; Amie Jablonski, Club President, presenting the check to Norman Ashbarry; William Wahl, Club Vice President; and Rosa Grube, SAVAR Education Coordinator.

The Criminal Justice Club – Auburn campus held several fundraisers this past academic year which helped raise \$900 for the Children's Advocacy Initiative (CAI) located on 26 Seminary Street in Auburn, NY. The CAI of Cayuga County offers a child-friendly environment in which victims of sexual abuse can be interviewed by investigators and receive medical exams and follow-up therapy. Students, faculty and staff at the college helped support the pizza and bake sales held throughout the winter months and the hamburger and hotdog sales once the weather warmed. Students plan to continue their support of the CAI in the Fall 2010 semester with more sales as well as a gently-used book drive.

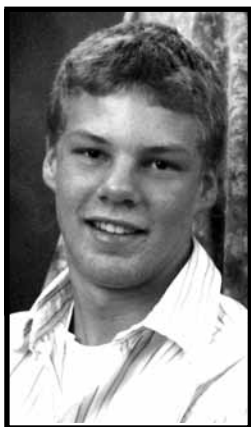


3) Turning it Around CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5

The DeSocio Family

Though his journey through life was cut short too many times, he kept turning it around!

Jim '80 and Cheryl DeSocio welcomed their first child, Nick, into the world in August 1989. They couldn't have been happier until their second child, Christine, was born two years later and the family was complete.



Nicholas J. DeSocio

At the age of twelve, Nick, a happy and exuberant young boy, injured his ankle skateboarding. While being treated, lab work revealed the news that no parent wants to hear: Nick had Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. The courageous youth underwent a long ordeal of chemo treatments. He always had a positive attitude and beating the odds, went into remission 2½ years later. Nick's zest

for life and the outdoors were known to many, and he ultimately achieved his goal of becoming the #1 snow cross racer in the North East.

After graduating from Auburn High School, Nick enrolled at CCC so he could live at home and pursue his passion for snow cross racing. Once again his dream was cut short. Though he qualified for the X Games, he never had the opportunity to compete. After being in remission for close to six years, the Leukemia was back. Two years of treatments ensued and in 2009, he was again in remission.

Nick and his girlfriend, Kristie, had plans to start a life together. That was not to be, because in the spring of 2010, tests confirmed that the Leukemia was back again. He needed a bone marrow transplant, but Nick lost the battle before that could happen. He was a month short of graduating from CCC. Though Nick was not officially an alum, in our hearts he is.

The DeSocio family is turning a heartbreaking situation around

into something positive. During the search for a bone marrow transplant, his family heard about "Be the Match," the National Bone Marrow Donor Program. Family and friends were spreading the word about bone marrow drives, and a drive was held in memory of Nicholas on June 20, during the annual Father's Day Antique Car Show held at Emerson Park in Auburn. (For more information on bone marrow transplants, visit www.leukemia-lymphoma.org)

But, the story doesn't end here. The LIVESTRONG organization launched the "I Ride For" campaign. Internationally-known cyclist Lance Armstrong and Team RadioShack would "ride" in the Tour de France in honor of someone affected by cancer. An interactive, online game featured a virtual ride of the Tour of California, the biggest cycling event in the United States. It allowed participants to ride along to support their personal cancer hero. Family and friends "cheered" on the virtual riders for a chance

to have their dedication sticker on the Team RadioShack bikes at the Tour de France. Lance Armstrong would ride for the Top 3 winners while RadioShack would ride for 24 riders, randomly chosen from the Top 100. In 12 days, over 19,000 riders joined the 2010 Virtual Tour of California which inspired over 162,000 "cheers." RadioShack was so inspired by the dedication of the participants that they made a gift of \$100,000 to LIVESTRONG. (Find more information on this organization at www.livestrong.org)

And, it keeps getting better. The #1 "cheer" getter, with 8,518 to her credit, was none other than Christine, Nick's sister. And so, Lance Armstrong "rode for" Nick during the Tour de France, carrying his name on the side of his bike. Christine is currently a student at CCC and entered the virtual ride to honor her brother. What a wonderful way for a family, friends and classmates to "turn it around" to something positive and help others in the process.

Prom Dress Project

The "Gorgeous Gowns Second Time Around Prom Dress Project" is the brainstorm idea of CCC's Tutor Club. They wanted to find a way to provide affordable prom dresses for high school students and donate the profits to charities. Kelly Schafer, who was Tutor Club president, and Brittany Jorgenson, the club's former vice-president, were project coordinators. Both of these entrepreneurial students graduated from CCC in May 2010. Kelly will be going on to SUNY Oswego and Brittany to SUNY Geneseo this fall.

Kelly said that when the girls came in to try on the dresses it was special for them to "have that moment" and that it "felt good to be able to see the girls walk away with smiles on their faces." Another objective of the Tutor Club was to hand out college applications and pencils to the high school seniors who came to the dress sale. They wanted to get them thinking about CCC.

The variety of prom dresses available included 75 brand new dresses donated by the Merry-Go-Round Playhouse theatre and several dresses donated by Welch Allyn employees. Nearly 300 dresses were initially collected and the project sold almost 70 of them, raising \$1400 this past winter. The



CCC's Tutor Club is collecting prom dresses for next year's Prom Dress Project.

project donated half of the profits to Cayuga County Food Pantry and the other half to Haiti Relief.

Recently the Tutor Club began collecting once again to replenish dresses for next year's venture. Donations this time around included some of the dresses purchased at the initial sale, which were re-donated, along with four prom dresses from CCC graduate Heather Indelicato Henderson '00, which were dropped off by her mom. For the coming semesters, Christina Kosier will be taking over the project for the graduating duo.

Vin Gleason '05

In 2009 Vin Gleason entered the world's oldest marathon, the Boston Marathon, not for himself, but for his friend's son who was being treated at Boston's Children's Hospital. Though he had a knee injury at the time, he felt that if he didn't run, he would be letting the children down. He found inspiration to keep running through the pain when he saw children in wheelchairs along the course. In the past, Vin has run for local charities, and the money raised has been donated to Upstate Children's Hospital, Alyssa's Run, and Boston's Children's Hospital.

Vin started *The Run 4 Life*, a foundation which is now being transformed into a not-for-profit organization. The idea behind it originally came in 2007 and 2008 when he helped to create a marathon from Cayuga Community

College to University Hospital in honor of his son, who had brain surgery. Originally, they had run the 26 miles straight, but decided this year to get more people involved and make it into a fun relay. Borrowing a torch from Special Olympics, 11 participants took turns running 2½ or 3 miles to complete the relay.

Vin's running began when both of his children were young and each needed to spend some time in the hospital. It was a way for him to let off steam. He started his foundation, *The Run 4 Life*, because he understood the pain in the hearts of parents whose children have illnesses. Although Vin Gleason has been met by many obstacles along the way, his persistence, dedication, and altruistic spirit have created a successful foundation that helps others.

4) Alumni With a Dream

Darcy Barber '08

Sometimes when "following your dream," your dream turns out to be something other than what you thought it was going to be. Though Darcy Barber began her education at CCC as a "non-traditional" business major with a young child at home, she quickly found her "true passion" for working with

children. She transferred from being a business major into the Early Childhood AAS degree program and became an active member in the Early Childhood Club. Darcy participated in and often coordinated club events. With her help, the club was able to sponsor two very successful

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Entrepreneurism Creeps Into Curriculum

Entrepreneurism is not only the latest 'buzz' word on Cayuga Community College's campuses, it's crept into the curriculum, caught on like a cold, and the students can't soak it up enough.

"It's infectious," says Tom Paczkowski, The Fred L. Emerson Foundation Endowed Chair in Enterprise and Innovation. He says each success sparks another solid stride toward opening opportunities for students that push past the boundaries of the classroom, giving them true experiences which may lead to opening the door to the birth of new businesses and employment.

Paczkowski says while established entrepreneurial initiatives at the college finish or keep expanding, many more new ideas which embrace the entrepreneurial spirit are being incorporated into the classroom by CCC's educators. According to Paczkowski, CCC professors have looked at entrepreneurialism from an academic point of view, from all angles, and concluded, they do not need to offer degree programs in entrepreneurship skills, but the best practice would be to infuse entrepreneurial skills and opportunities into existing degree paths. "We concluded pursuing a degree program in entrepreneurship at this time would be impractical. Instead, we broadly define the term 'Entrepreneurship Program' to mean the sum total of academic efforts to incorporate entrepreneurship in academics, whether in the form of experiential learning, or in the form of student-run enterprises, or in the form of non-credit training," says Paczkowski.

Some courses under development with the entrepreneurship infusion model in mind include studies in leadership, criminal justice, medical billing, marriage, family and violence studies, as well as historical opportunities such as studying the canal systems of New York State and the Battle of Gettysburg. Instructors are even laying tracks to develop a course in roller coaster design. "We're trying to find topics that get students excited. Of course, they're not all going out and opening a theme park, but what they learn by going through the process applies exactly to other areas of business," says Paczkowski.

Paczkowski believes the possibilities of entrepreneurial infusion into the classroom are limitless. He says CCC is even working with Cayuga Onondaga BOCES to bring

entrepreneurial initiatives into the fold as they prepare high school students for careers. "In today's rough economic times, we need to teach our students to re-invent the box, so if there is not a job waiting for them upon graduation, they can create one."

Paczkowski reports several of the initiatives have taken on a life of their own, sprouting into more and more opportunities for students. Two enterprises in the Telecommunications Department of the college, Cayuga Records, a real record label company that gives students the opportunity to learn how to run a recording company from top to bottom, and C3 Studios, a student-run video and film production company, will both be releasing several new titles produced this semester and available for purchase.

"As we go through this process we're finding our work is never quite done," says Paczkowski. "The way we infuse entrepreneurship into our programs is forever evolving as we learn from different strategies and students explore new ideas."

Paczkowski says the most important point is that the college is listening to the needs and wants of the students to build them programs with relevant information and training. "I want our students to leave here not just ready to be someone's employee, but ready to put their business models into motion, so they can create jobs for others."

Wine Studies Update- from Bill Prosser

Cayuga Community College has a new Wine Studies Concentration. Beginning this fall, students can complete a series of three wine classes and a science class within the Business Administration A.A.S. degree program and earn this concentration. Students must be at least 21 years old to register and may also take these courses without earning a full degree.

William Prosser, professor in Cayuga's business department, states that the sequence will give students the expertise to seek specialized jobs at wineries or upscale restaurants. "Area wineries are seeking qualified wine room managers. These

THE COURSES

Entrepreneurism has spread to other classrooms on campus as new courses have been developed, are presently taking root, or are being planned as part of several new initiatives.

ENGL 260 *Professional Writing Practicum* will make its debut this fall. This new business writing course taught by English instructor Mary Bulkot will teach students the essential, professional skills that will help to bolster a business' or non-profit agency's economic edge.

"The course is designed to expose students to writing styles that are beneficial to business," says Bulkot, who designed the course. "In addition to learning how to write news releases, sales copy, publicity and material for websites, a major portion of the class will focus on grant writing which is often an essential aspect of a non-profit's livelihood or a business' ability to move forward."

TELC 101 *Introduction to Mass Media*, taught by adjunct instructor Mary Merritt, who also serves as the advisor to the college's student-run newspaper, is the outcome of an invented assignment which requires students to take on the role of a reporter and go out into the community to gather information about good work being accomplished by individuals and/or organizations in the area. It introduces the practices and business aspects of American mass media industries and explores the history, structure, organization and function of telecommunications.

"I call it 'Social Entrepreneurial Experience Opportunity: Learning to Communicate to the Masses through Journalism'," says Merritt. "I've found many latent reporters I can recruit to work on the newspaper this way. It also pushes students to get outside of their comfort zone and talk to people in the community, while finding out about things happening around them....The hope is that this will give them the opportunity to start honing their networking skills, and even if it doesn't lead to employment, perhaps later down the road, that student will give back to that organization they reported on by donating either their time or money."

A *Wine Studies Concentration* has been created in the business administration AAS degree program and is being offered for the first time this fall. An Introduction to the Wines of the World program which explores wine marketing, distribution, and business management has experienced such excitement from students, educators are grooming other courses including Introduction to Enology and Viticulture.

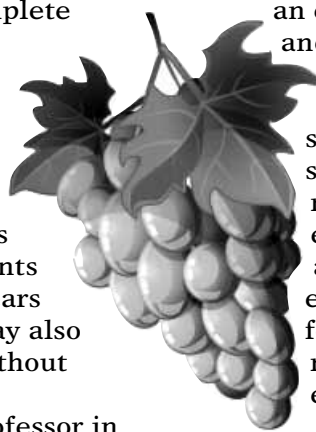
In addition, a wine institute is in the works. CCC is developing a multi-purpose facility which will go hand-in-hand with their wine studies programs. The new building will have classrooms, laboratories and conference rooms. The hope is to use the study of wine as the seed to grow other entrepreneur-type areas of interest and study like hospitality and tourism.

professionals help visitors choose wines for personal use and as gifts, and often manage an extensive inventory and train staff members." "Also in demand," says Prosser, "are sommeliers, or wine stewards, at fine dining restaurants. Using their expertise in pairing food and wine, they help ensure enjoyable meals for patrons and a strong reputation for their employers."

If you are interested in working in the wine industry, or just want to take your wine appreciation to the next level, consider taking the first class -- WS 110: Intro to Wines of the World (Sundays 1-5 pm). This four-credit course is

a comprehensive class covering the basics of wine, taste and evaluation of wines, and the most prominent wine regions in the world. Instructor will be Robert Wojnar, Sr., Wine Expert and National Sales Manager for Dr. Konstantin Frank Winery. Students will get to study and taste wines from over 18 regions and countries. The class is limited to students 21 years of age and older.

For those interested in taking a credit free class, Wine Appreciation will be offered in the spring of 2011. Progress continues on developing a full Viticulture and Enology degree. For further information, contact William Prosser at 315-255-1743, extension 2424, or prosser@cayuga-cc.edu.





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Darcy Barber '08 CONTINUED

Scholastic Book sales. She was also active in promoting Dolly Parton's Imagination Library and in organizing a Rock-a-thon Fundraiser for the CCC Child Care Center, which raised over \$600 that was used to purchase science equipment and materials for the Center. In addition, she coordinated the Early Childhood Club's Week-of-the-Young-Child Daisy Sale for two years, a popular event which raises money for early childhood programs in the Auburn area. Darcy also has volunteered in the community as a religious education instructor, kindergarten basketball coach and summer vacation bible school instructor.



Darcy Barber '08

Though Darcy graduated in 2008, she remains connected to the college as an assistant teacher at the CCC Child Care Center. In addition, she is continuing her education at SUNY Cortland, working on her bachelor's degree in early childhood education.

Darcy continues to spend a great deal of time volunteering for programs and activities that benefit children. She is a board member of the Syracuse Association for the Education of Young Children. In April of this year, Darcy received the Champions for Children Student Leader Award from the New York State Association for the Education of Young Children (NYSAEYC), which promotes excellence in early care and education services for NYS children

and families through education, advocacy and the support of the profession.

The Alumni Association would like to congratulate Darcy Barber not only for receiving the statewide 2010 Champions for Children Student Leader Award and her continuing dedication in "championing" for children, but also for her success in "following her dream."

Kimberly Manrow '95

Kimberly Manrow, E.A., Senior Accountant and President of Custom Accounting Services, Inc. is the recent recipient of a 2010 "Small Business Person of the Year Award" for businesses 6-14 years old. She was presented the award at the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce 2010 Business Leader Awards Luncheon held on May 26. Kim first launched her home-based, part-time bookkeeping service, CAS, in 1996 after graduating from CCC magna cum laude with an associate's degree in accounting. Four years later, the business was incorporated and it became her full-time career. Since then, CAS has grown to a multifaceted firm with five employees. Kim continued her education in taxation and business management, and, in 2002, she became a Licensed Enrolled Agent with the Internal Revenue Service.



Kimberly Manrow '95

In the fall of 2007, the formation of Custom Business Services (CBS)

fulfilled Kim's dream of creating a new business model in the Auburn community. She had worked for many years to realize this vision. CBS is a cooperative of small businesses that are housed under one roof. Their wide range of services benefits the local small business community. In addition, Kim recently launched PITCH, which is a CBS-sponsored program that consists of monthly roundtable gatherings for women entrepreneurs and women in business.

Kim is a member of the National Association of Enrolled Agents (NAEA) and the American Institute of Professional Bookkeepers (AIPB). She has taken an active role in her community as a past treasurer of the Booker T. Washington Community Center. She has provided financial advisory services to several non-profit organizations in the area. Kim is a strong proponent of business education and works regularly to educate the local small business community in all areas of taxation and financial planning. Paul Shinal '73, one of Kimberly's CCC professors, commented that, "She had a very strong business sense and could very easily adapt to the changing environment that occurs in accounting. She was very personable as well as knowledgeable."

Kim resides in Sennett with her husband Scott and two children, Maccenzi and Todd. She enjoys baking and spending time with her family.

The Alumni Association would like to applaud Kimberly Manrow for not only succeeding in accomplishing her dream, but also for her continued interest and involvement in the community.

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SUNY Morrisville and Cazenovia College to Offer Small Business Management Bachelor's Degree at CCC this Fall

Are you motivated to plan and pursue your own vision in the world of business? Do you aspire to become an agent of change, and be financially and professionally successful?

Morrisville State College, a local SUNY college, will bring their expertise to you. Students will create their own start-up business or align their technical skills with new venture companies in the region. Recognizing the recent shifts in the economy, you can increase your professional marketability by learning and applying entrepreneurship principles, financial accountability, and innovative marketing principles.

As a ThinkPad University curriculum, the use of program-provided laptops is integrated into all courses. Receiving instruction in an accelerated hybrid format, and benefiting from internships and residencies, students will complete their bachelor's degree in two years. For more information contact: michael.greene@cayuga-cc.edu or rahime@morrisville.edu

Cazenovia College Degrees to be Offered at Cayuga CCC

Representatives from Auburn Memorial Hospital, Cayuga Community College and Cazenovia College came together on Wednesday, April 21, 2010 to sign a Proclamation of Cooperation, and announce their collective efforts to improve the education, employment and economic capacities in Auburn and the surrounding communities.

Cayuga Community College and Cazenovia College have partnered to bring four-year educational programs (Cazenovia College degrees) to the Auburn campus. Two academic programs - one in Health Care Management, the other in Liberal Studies/Human Services - will have a synergistic effect resulting in positive outcomes for all stakeholders.

Students will have the ability to get a four-year degree while still maintaining their jobs and devoting time to their families. They will not have to travel great distances for their education but will instead receive a Cazenovia College degree

on the Cayuga Community College campus. Individuals with two-year degrees, who are already employed in the health care and human services field, can further their education, pursue a baccalaureate degree and improve their job skills.

Health care facilities will have a pool of well-qualified, educated candidates for employment who are local; they will not have to search outside the local area.

"Together Auburn Memorial Hospital, Cayuga Community College and Cazenovia College will proclaim that their vision and goals are one ... to expand higher education and employment opportunities, and provide a means for growth and development in the City of Auburn, Cayuga County and surrounding communities," said Cazenovia College President Mark J. Tierno.

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Telcom Grad Shoots for the NFL

Dave Malek, a 1991 Cayuga Telcom graduate, is the Director of Photography for the HBO series "Hard Knocks." Malek was in Cortland, New York, recently working for NFL Films during the Jets Training Camp. Malek has worked for NFL Films for the last 10 years and is the Telcom Department's 4th EMMY winner. "Hard Knocks" is currently in production at the Jets camp in Cortland. "Hard Knocks" is a famous series that takes a behind-the-scenes look at NFL training camps.



David Malek '91
NFL Films cameraman

Travel Study: London and Florida

For over 30 years CCC has brought students an opportunity to study abroad for two weeks in London,

England. This year is no different with nine courses to choose from! In the past we have had students join us from many other colleges and even states. It's a great opportunity for students to learn another culture in such a short time. Here's what past students have said about their experience: "My favorite part was how many excursions were included in the price."; "It's a better way of learning, hands on, finally seeing things we've only seen in textbooks."; "I have returned with a very different perspective of Britain's influence on world history - expanded knowledge."

Plans are currently underway for the 2011 program. Dates are January 4-17, 2011 and we have grown from <60 participants to over 100! If you or anyone you know are



Windsor Castle and Changing of the Guards at Buckingham Palace. Both photos were taken by members of the January 2010 travel study group.

interested, please call the Travel Study office at 315-294-8529, or visit www.cayuga-cc.edu/travelstudy.



Students getting ready to take a "Swamp Buggy" through the Everglades on the Big Cypress Reservation. Left to right: Sabrina Baker, Sarah Walsh, Tim Wetzal, Sara Wetzal, Derek Graney, Connie Wetzal, Wendy Pudney, Justin Gilmore.

Back for the second year, also during Intersession 2011, is our Service Learning Course studying the Native American Culture and Education with the Seminole Indians in Florida. Our two professors can take up to ten students on this program to the Ft. Lauderdale area from Jan 8-15, 2011. Work directly with the children at the Seminole Reservations and Schools and visit the Everglades Swamp Safari, Ft. Lauderdale Beach, museums and more. Experience a week of culture and education. If you or anyone you know is interested, please call the Travel Study office at 315-294-8529 or visit www.cayuga-cc.edu/travelstudy.

Early Childhood Grad Wins Leadership Award

Darcy Barber of Jordan, who graduated from Cayuga Community College in 2008 with a degree in early childhood education, has received the Student Leader Award from the New York State Association for the Education of Young Children. Barber was the only student among four Champions for Children honorees at the 2010 NYSAEYC Conference held this past April.

The awards honor exceptional contributions to early childhood care and education. Barber was recognized for her initiative in Early Childhood Club activities while at Cayuga. She is now pursuing a bachelor's degree in early childhood education at SUNY Cortland, while working as an assistant teacher in the Cayuga Community College preschool center.

Dedicated to fostering excellence in early care and education of children, NYSAEYC is the state affiliate of the National Association for the Education of Young Children, a recognized accrediting organization for early childhood education programs. The early childhood degree program at Cayuga Community College is accredited by NAEYC.



Nursing Class of 2010

Auburn Campus

The thirty-fifth annual Professional Advancement and Pinning Ceremony was held Friday, May 21, 2010. Fifty nursing graduates completed program requirements for the Associate of Applied Science degree in Nursing. Fifteen of the graduates completed the program



Fulton Campus

at the Fulton campus. The following graduates received awards: **Cecelia Jones**, Auburn Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Award; **Michelle Gilbert**, Vicki Cook Condie Nursing Excellence Award; **William Hollis** and **Sarah Willis**, Virginia Dent Greenfield Memorial Awards; **Michelle Merrill**, Ethyl W. Mapes Memorial Nursing Award; **Maggie Rothenburg**, William J. Painter Memorial Award; **Evelyn King**, Dorothy M. Rooker Award; **Brandy Babcock**, Dr. George Sincerbeaux Pediatric Scholarship; **Christopher Stanton**, Wilfred "Sonny" Taylor Memorial Award; **Jillian Fabela**, Shirley Vargason Memorial Award; **Julie Yankowsky**, Joan Post Worden Memorial Scholarship; and **Marjorie Davoli**, Madeleine Alfieri Memorial Scholarship.

Nursing Moving-Up Ceremony

The annual luncheon and awards Moving-Up ceremony was held May 13, 2010 to recognize the freshmen nursing students' completion of the first half of the nursing curriculum. Eleven students received nursing scholarship awards for outstanding performance and achievement in various academic and clinical areas:

Brian Newcomb, Anne Drancsak Gallager Memorial Scholarship; **Brandi Coe**, Maureen Mahany Scholarship; **Matthew Grover** and **Jennifer Nickolas**, Elizabeth Payne McQueeney Memorial Scholarship; **Kelly Kehinde**, Linda A. Rooker Nursing Scholarship; **Andrea Ruff**, Nataline Dulles Seymour Scholarship; **Melissa Holmes**, Lisa A. McCloud White Memorial Scholarship; **Lisa Quill**, Claudine B. Babiarez Memorial Scholarship; **Heather Clark**, Josephine A. Stephen Memorial Nursing Scholarship; **Brandi Coe** and **April Lanzoni**, Virginia E. Dent Greenfield Memorial Scholarship; and **Connie Brown**, Sarah Elizabeth Thurston Scholarship.



Front Row: Matthew Grover, Brian Newcomb, Melissa Holmes
Back row: Connie Brown, Lisa Quill, Andrea Ruff, Kelly Kehinde, Jennifer Nickolas, Heather Clark, April Lanzoni



5) Alumni in the Spotlight CONTINUED FROM PAGE 11

Some of ACC/CCC's alumni have had a moment of stardom when they were interviewed in the *Lake Life* section of the *Auburn Citizen*, which celebrates the people of the Finger Lakes.

In February of this year, **Milene Morfei '71**, who received her master's degree and doctorate from SU, was asked what the most gratifying part of being an educator was. Milene responded that witnessing the development of critical thinking in students is rewarding and that she enjoyed seeing her students become critical thinkers. Mrs. Morfei also commented that one aspect she found challenging in being a professor of psychology at Wells College was to find enough time to do everything. She also shared that if she were not teaching, she would probably be involved with something environmental.

Later this year, **Tracy Swietoniowski '90**, who is a fitness coordinator with the Auburn YMCA

and the Skaneateles Community Center, received her chance to share some of her thoughts about the rewarding aspects of her job. Tracy stated that she has a "duality" in her personality and this position allows her to experience fulfillment on personal and spiritual levels. She finds keeping people active and getting them really connected to a lifestyle of fitness can be challenging. Tracy is a huge believer in cross training and feels that fitness will peak with variety and stepping out of your comfort zone. Her advice to someone looking to get fit and become healthy is to connect with someone at a fitness facility. This will enable you to achieve fitness in an affordable manner in a way that fits your lifestyle.

Two recent graduates have been in the *Citizen* spotlight. The first, **Tom Schlegel '10**, is planning to attend SUNY Potsdam in the fall to pursue education and environmental studies. He feels that learning

something you never knew before was one of the most rewarding parts of being a student, along with forming new friendships every semester. He found the aspect of fulfilling and completing the large amount of work that is expected of a student can be challenging. Tom would like to do something outdoors and has always wanted to work with the environment, possibly becoming an environmental conservation officer. He enjoys hunting, fishing, camping, sports and video games.

Another recent graduate, **Luis Rodriguez '10**, originally from Guatemala, studied computer science at CCC. He also tutored computer science, math, business and Spanish at CCC's Academic Support Center. Luis feels that being a student is a huge jump start for your career. He said that managing work, family, social life and hobbies can be a challenging aspect of being a student, but states that he would give himself an "A" because he did try hard in

school. He is hoping to start his own business one day in his field of study. Luis enjoys cycling in his free time.

Louise Wilson '72, Director of Alumni Affairs and fellow CCC alum, also received her share of stardom in *Lake Life*. Louise feels that working with alumni and meeting current students is one of the most rewarding parts of her job. She feels that staying in contact with alumni is gratifying because it is great to see what some of them have done with their education. Louise is proud to share that CCC has alumni who have won Emmys, Grammys and have gone on to make great contributions in a wide variety of fields; many of them attributing their success to the foundation they received at ACC/CCC. On the flip side, staying in touch and keeping contact with our alumni can be the most challenging aspect of her job. Louise shares that working at CCC is great because it allows her to do a variety of all of her favorite things.

6) What Alumni Have Done with their Degrees

David G. Rusin '78

Of the many ways we view achievement, certainly starting your own company and gaining financial



wealth is perceived as having achieved success. As a former Kodak and Frontier Communications executive, David Rusin has shown what it means to be successful.

Having grown up in Auburn, he sees himself as more "street smart than business-school smart," although he certainly has the latter. Following ACC, David graduated from RIT with a B.S. in Business and received his M.B.A. in Economics and Finance from Sacred Heart University in Connecticut. After serving as CEO for several major companies, David started his own fiber optic company, American Fiber Systems, Inc. (AFS), in 2000.

As president and CEO of AFS, David used not only his education but his "street smarts" to go after second- and third-tier markets and so avoided the saturated bigger markets. This maneuver paid off and AFS boasted a multi-million dollar a year profit. While many turn-of-the-century telecom startups went by the wayside during the U.S. telecom market meltdown, Rusin's conservative guiding hand helped AFS not only to survive, but to prosper.

This past summer *Rochester Business Journal* reported that American Fiber Systems, Inc. had agreed to be acquired by another group. It was estimated that AFS would fetch between \$185 and \$190 million. This realization would be shared by David's employees as they all had stock in the company. He once shared, "I'd like to tell you I'm some kind of genius, but I ain't. I hired people with experience. And my biggest kick at the end of the day is going to be seeing a bunch of millionaires created in Rochester." The merger/purchase of AFS is scheduled to close October 1st of this year, with Zayo Group of Colorado.

David played hockey until he broke his foot in 1991. He met his wife Lori Farr in 1983 when she was a player on an RIT women's hockey team, which Rusin coached. He and his wife, along with their daughter Leah, reside in Pittsford where they enjoy the wooded serenity of their home. David is a fine example of what can be done with a Cayuga degree.

7) Joseph M. Belth, Ph.D. '58



Joseph M. Belth, Ph.D. '58

In a letter to our *Spartan* editor, Joseph Belth shared some of his memories of the early days of ACC. His class, which was one of the first, was held in the

"original" building. It had been an elementary school and Joseph remembers "having to bend way down to use a drinking fountain." One of his favorite instructors was the late John Syrjala, who taught English. With Prof. Syrjala's encouragement, Joseph became involved with the school paper, and eventually became its editor.

Joseph received an associate's degree in business administration from ACC and finished his undergraduate work at Syracuse University. He then achieved his Ph.D. at the University of Pennsylvania. In 1962 he became a visiting assistant professor in the School of Business at Indiana University in Bloomington. He stayed on to become assistant professor in 1963, associate professor in 1965, and professor in 1968. He retired in 1993 with professor emeritus status and is now editor of *The Insurance Forum*, an independent periodical, and author of *Life Insurance: A Consumer's Handbook*.

Joseph Belth has received several awards for some of his books and journal articles and was the subject of a page-one article in *The Wall Street Journal* in 1978. He was also profiled in *Barron's* in 1981 and *The New York Times* in 1990. We always enjoy hearing from our alumni and how their start at ACC/CCC has influenced them.

If anyone would like to contact Joseph, he may be reached at Belthjmb@aol.com.

7) Never Too Late

Ronald "Bill" Flesher '10

We've all heard it from time to time: "It's never too late." When Ronald "Bill" Flesher



Ronald Flesher '10

addressed Cayuga Community College's 2010 graduating class that is exactly the message he carried. In hopes of inspiring others who are struggling, Bill shared his life

story. His father passed away when he was 6 years of age and he and his three sisters were raised by his mother. Against her wishes, Bill dropped out of high school at a very young age. At age 17, he enlisted in the Navy where he earned his high school GED a few years later. He spent the next 24 years in the Navy, serving as a quartermaster on four combat ships and completing five tours of duty in the Persian Gulf. He trained some 30,000 recruits and earned the Navy Achievement Medal. He ended his Navy career as the command chief and training officer at the Naval Reserve Center in Mattydale, NY. Even with these successes in the military, Bill still considered himself a high school dropout and wanted to make amends to his mom.

Bill was the first person in his family to graduate from

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Ronald "Bill" Flesher '10 college. He received the Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence, SUNY's highest academic honor. He attributes his success in college because he applied the disciplined work ethics developed in the Navy to the pursuit of his associate's degree, and because his mother had

CONTINUED provided the family with a strong role model. Bill has been accepted at Upstate Medical University in Syracuse, NY, where he plans to study radiography to pursue a new career as an MRI technologist. Once again, we see that the old adage "It's never too late" has been proven true.

8) Thomas Patterson '86

Forty-one years ago Tom Patterson started working at Auburn Memorial Hospital. He was then a student at ACC looking for a part-time job, but the only position available was for a full-time hospital "orderly." At the time he was studying retail business and had never dreamed of working in the medical field. But, he took the job temporarily and four months later, an OR technician position opened up that required on-the-job training (a far cry from today's requirements which call for 10 months of training as well as a national exam). Tom took the OR job and says that the on-site training led him to realize where he wanted to go with his career.

his love for people, which is vital in the profession. In a recent interview with *The Citizen*, Patterson shared, "As a nurse and an OR staff member, you have to be the advocate for the patients and their families." This July Tom Patterson concludes his 41-year career at Auburn Memorial Hospital, having worked his way up over the years from that entry-level position to that of operating room supervisor.

In 1982, Tom decided to enroll in the RN program at CCC and in 1986, he graduated with an associate's degree in nursing. Over the years, he said he has sustained

While there was an 18-year interval between Tom's start at ACC and his receipt of an associate's degree in a totally different field, his career at Auburn Memorial Hospital is testament to the familiar adage that it's never too late to choose, change, or enhance one's vocation with additional study. We congratulate Tom on his much-deserved retirement and wish him well with his antique business.

9) Community Involvement

Cheryl A. Foster, '77

Cheryl A. Foster, professor of nursing at CCC, is known to many throughout Central New York as an excellent teacher, a dedicated and innovative nurse, a licensed funeral director, and an engaging bus escort for the Alumni Association's NYC trips. However, she may be best known for her volunteer involvement in our community and for her commitment and contribution to the events and benefits that are near and dear to her.

This past Memorial Day weekend, Cheryl took on her biggest fundraising challenge to date: "Healing Field: Field of Hopes & Dreams" at Hoopes Park in Auburn. More than 1,000 people attended this awe-inspiring patriotic display/fundraiser, where 1,200 American flags were placed in memory of veterans and loved ones. Donations from this moving tribute benefited St. Joseph's School in Auburn, Cheryl's alma mater. Cheryl chooses to help support the school because

she recognizes that private schools are dependent upon fundraising for their survival. She also organizes benefits to support Tyburn Academy, the local private high school.

When asked why she likes to get involved with fundraising, Cheryl said, "People pull together in times of crisis in this community." She enjoys being a part of that. Cheryl noted that she recently participated in benefits that were held for two local young children with illnesses. On a lighter side, Cheryl enjoys creating a haunted house at her home each October where the admission charge is \$1 plus a canned item to benefit Chapel House and the St. Alphonsus Food Pantry. She also enjoys being involved with the annual "Blarney Dinner" and the sale of green carnations around St. Patrick's Day. For the past several years, Cheryl has helped bring renowned Irish singer and songwriter, Andy Cooney, to Auburn for well-received concerts to benefit St. Joseph's School.

We would like to recognize the time and effort that Cheryl Foster gives so generously to our community through her many different roles and for her dedication to make a difference.



8) Alumni Staff & Faculty Who Care

Factoid: Of the many staff and faculty members employed at Cayuga Community College, an impressive 183 (at last count) are alumni of ACC/CCC.

We recognize that many of our co-workers generously give of themselves to a variety of charities and organizations. As a "Friday shout-out," we asked those employees that fall into our "factoid" category, what causes inspired them. A number of alumni shared where their compassion and good will lies. Some alumni started off with "I don't know if these count..." while others felt that their involvement might be too modest to mention. But, we feel that whatever inspires you to be involved is truly worthwhile.

Some alumni enjoy participating in fundraising events such as cancer runs/walks; others are regular donors at the Red Cross blood drives. Many volunteer at these same events. **Diane Holbert '98** donates blood and volunteers for Red Cross; she also volunteers at the Baldwinsville Public Library. You can read about **Sue Witmer's '90**, recognition for her volunteer work on behalf of the Oswego Rotary Club in our Class Notes section.

We also heard from individuals who are inspired to give to others simply because they are moved by their personal situations. People like **Sue Arliss '00**, reach out to those going through difficult times by listening and acting on their needs; Sue also volunteers at her local library on a weekly basis.

Rose Mary (Chickie) Pidlypchak '71 is inspired by the area's youth bowlers. She comes out every week during bowling season to encourage them and to watch their continued improvement.

Most of us are aware of **John Lamphere's '74**, involvement in public service. He was active in fire service for 34 years and is currently putting together an Emergency Response Plan booklet for the Fulton Campus. He enjoys speaking to groups several times a year. John is famous for his involvement with the Alumni Association's Gettysburg trips. Additionally, he was past president of the Alumni Association's Board of Directors and is currently serving as its secretary.

Many alumni participated in the "Cayuga Fitness Challenge" held this past spring. This event not only generated camaraderie on both campuses, but also benefited area food pantries through the generosity of many who contributed to the event's final challenge - a food drive which garnered incentive points for the teams. Over 1,000 canned goods and other non-perishable food items were collected and distributed to food pantries in Auburn and Fulton thanks to the efforts of all participants.

It has been fun to share some of the responses we received from the "Friday shout-out." We are happy to highlight the above individuals and also wish to recognize the many efforts of all of our staff and faculty members. Here is one more shout-out..."Thanks for [all](#) you do!"

Gail Homick Herrling '62

This past June, Gail Homick Herrling, along with two other women, received a Women of Distinction award presented by the Girl Scouts of NYPENN Pathways, Inc. This award recognizes recipients whose achievements personify the Girl Scout mission which is to build girls of courage, confidence,



Gail Homick Herrling '62

character, and who make the world a better place. These women lead by example and encourage others to achieve goals and dreams and to serve the community through personal, professional and volunteer leadership roles.

In December 2009, Gail officially retired from the United Way of Cayuga County after eight years of service. She joined the organization in 2001 as the Director of Marketing and Resource Development; assumed Interim Executive Director duties in July 2006; and was named Executive Director in January 2007.

Gail has been an active member of the Homeless Task Force and its Executive Committee, and she has worked with local campaign chairs/co-chairs to lead the United Way's annual campaign to strong finishes despite the troubled upstate economy. She has also increased the leadership role of the United Way in addressing community needs. Gail's relationship with the United Way spans an impressive period when one considers her volunteer service on its Board of Directors from 1979-1990, which included six years as board president.

Currently, Gail is a member of the Board of Trustees of Auburn Memorial Hospital and serves as its secretary. She is a Board of Regents appointed public member of the NYS Office of Professional Medical Conduct and of the NYS Board of Podiatry. Although retirement plans include taking time to relax and travel, she has stated that she plans to continue community involvement. We salute Gail Homick Herrling for helping bring positive changes to people's lives through her many contributions to our community.

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10 Witness to History

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Bruce G. Burton '72

You never know how a college course will shape your destiny. For Bruce Burton, recently returned from service as a platoon leader in Vietnam, destiny called in Millard Peck's class at Auburn Community College in 1972.



Bruce G. Burton '72

"I wrote a paper for Professor Peck on the rise of postwar Japan as an economic power," remembers Burton. "That class triggered my interest in international affairs. A few years later, I updated that paper on postwar Japan for a class at Syracuse University. While at SU, one of the professors in a large international relations class was asked about taking the Foreign Service Exam. 'Don't bother,' he said, '20,000 people take that exam and only 200 get appointed. None of you stands a chance.'"

"So I took the test. It's long and difficult. In the final part, you get to choose one of three topics to write an essay. One of them was the rise of Japan as a post war economic power. I had that paper memorized, and to this day, I think that stroke of good luck is what let me pass the exam and get into the Foreign Service."

For over two decades, as an American diplomat, Bruce Burton witnessed history as it was being made. He started in the Carter Administration as a political officer reporting on human rights in Paraguay, then began working on arms control and security in Europe. "In the early 1980s, NATO was locked in what turned out to be the last great political-military

confrontation with the Soviet Union," Burton recalled. "Some questioned whether the NATO alliance could hold together, especially if Germany buckled. There were many long days and negotiating sessions as we worked to counter Soviet

efforts to split the Alliance. Germany and the other Allies held firm, and we succeeded."

In the late 1980s, Bruce served as U.S. Deputy Director of Soviet Affairs. In this role he coordinated preparations in Washington for many high-level meetings between Secretary of State Shultz and his Soviet counterpart, as well as the series of Reagan-Gorbachev summits in Geneva, Reykjavik, Washington and Moscow. At Reykjavik, Burton recounted, "I was the official record keeper at an all-night negotiating session on arms control. Although some called it 'The Summit that failed,' we accomplished tremendous breakthroughs in arms control and other areas that night. Even though Reagan and Gorbachev departed Iceland without an overarching agreement to eliminate nuclear weapons, both were determined to solve the problems vexing the U.S. and the Soviet Union. So what we and others accomplished at a lower level that evening endured and served as the basis for great progress when the President and Gorbachev were ready to try again."

Future assignments in London and Tel Aviv kept Burton in the center of world history. As head of the

political section at the embassy in London, he helped coordinate policy with our closest ally on a range of global issues and was eyewitness to momentous developments: the end of communism in Europe; the fall of Margaret Thatcher; the collapse of the Berlin Wall; the reunification of Germany; and the First Gulf War.

From London, Burton went to Tel Aviv. "Working in Tel Aviv with the Israelis and Palestinians was especially complex," recalled Burton. "Years before, as a reporter for the *Herald-Journal*, I had interviewed Yitzhak Rabin when he visited Syracuse as Israel's Ambassador to the U.S. When I commented to him that some people accused Israel of not wanting to negotiate, he practically bit my head off: 'Give us a negotiating partner and we will negotiate,' he replied angrily. I never thought then that years later I would be working with this man who, as Prime Minister, was now trying so hard to secure peace in the Middle East. With his signing of the Mideast Peace Accord at the White House in 1993 and his determined efforts afterwards to make both Palestinians and Israel live up to the accord, Prime Minister Rabin delivered on that commitment he had expressed twenty years before."

Bruce retired from the State Department but still serves as Senior Advisor for the relatively new and somewhat experimental Office of eDiplomacy. "This is an unprecedented effort to use new information technologies to improve the State Department's ability to communicate and collaborate around the globe," he said. "It includes online communities, a Department wide wiki, blogs, tradi-

tional websites, virtual outreach initiatives and much more. It's a challenge keeping up with social media, but this is the new wave of diplomacy. No matter what the medium is, we will always need to talk to each other."

Looking back over his career, Bruce acknowledges the role that ACC/CCC played in his life. "For one very important thing, I met my wife Amy (Class of '66) when she was going to ACC, and she has been a partner with me in all these places. As for the school, a college is really about its teachers, and ACC had a great group of professors," Burton remembers. "Ken Scouten made literature entertaining but also taught the need to have the courage of your convictions in critical thinking. In his own quiet and contemplative way, David Richards imparted the profound insights of the great philosophers about the human experience. Nancy Mattson showed how the Greek tragedies still speak to us, two millennia after they were written, a wonderful lesson in the continuity of Western civilization. Ray Leszczynski sparked a lifelong interest in the physical world, from geology to astronomy. And, of course, there was Millard Peck."

What advice would Bruce Burton give to today's Cayuga students? "Speak up in class. If you think you're right, say so and say why. Learn to make decisions with incomplete information, because you rarely have all the facts for any situation. Accept challenges—you'll never know what you can do if you don't dare. As the late basketball coach John Wooden said, 'Those who say something can't be done should get out of the way of those who are doing it.'"

COLLEGE NEWS - FITNESS CHALLENGE 2010

Cayuga FITNESS CHALLENGE Spring 2010

During the past spring semester, Cayuga's staff, faculty and students took steps toward improving their health and fitness. About 150 people on both campuses participated in the first-ever Cayuga Fitness Challenge, a 10-week program that took a team approach to building healthier lifestyles. Designed and organized by members of the college's Administrative Professional Group, the challenge encouraged participants to get more active, to watch what they eat, and to keep an eye on their general health. It also



It seems as though the "Three Kah-stodians and a Lady" team are playing dirty with team "One Fish, Two Fish, Let's Get Fit Fish." The custodians sent a nice box of donuts to the ladies at the daycare center but they would not have any part of it. They went as far as taping their mouths shut with duct tape. The custodians will have to try some different bait to catch these fish!

turned into a competition that remained close until the very last day. Organizers wanted to make sure the program enabled anyone to participate. Participants in the challenge formed teams of four and each member tracked his/her daily physical activity. They were given pedometers to track their steps and were asked to record physical activities and fitness routines on a weekly basis. Every week, teams were given point totals based on their team members' activities -- one point for every 1,000 steps, one point for using the campus Fitness Center, or 10

points per a physical activity that burned 350 calories. Team members also received points for getting their blood pressure, glucose, or cholesterol levels checked, and they got bonus points for donating blood.

The friendly competition really created a fun spirit at the college, and some took it very seriously. Certain teams even went so far as to bring in donuts, chips and other high-calorie



treats for rivals hoping they would stumble. Improving morale at the college was one of the goals of the program. Frank Sciortino, center, receives his award for "Most Steps" (1,058,054) from event organizers Bruce Walter and Adam Williams.



"Most Team Points" honors went to Team Integrity members Debbi Purcell '98, Scott Shaft, Karen Squires '84 and Casey Purcell '08 (missing from photo). Shown with organizers Jackie Caputa, Adam Williams and Bruce Walter.

It gave participants something fun to talk about with one another, and it gave a lot of people a reason to get out and about in the early spring when the weather was still cold.

After the 10-week competition winners were announced and prizes awarded. Top honors went to Frank Sciortino for "Most Steps" (1,058,054) and to Team Integrity for "Most Team Points" (10,205). For more information and all the team standings, please visit the Fitness Challenge website at <http://www.cayuga-cc.edu/fitness>.



A Message from the Fulton Campus Dean



Maggie Killoran

Lots of things have been happening at the Fulton Campus since my last update. Most notably, we have experienced significant and unprecedented enrollment growth. According to Dr. Larson's

report at the June 23 Board Meeting, Fulton is already at 77% of the enrollment it had for fall 2009, and registrations continue to pour in. The increase in students not only has brought more energy and enthusiasm to campus, as well as more activity in the foyer, but it also has pushed everyone to think outside the box in terms of accommodating students' needs and being very creative in solving space issues. Despite this unexpected growth, students, faculty, and staff alike have shown great grace under pressure as the college works to determine its next steps for expansion at the Fulton Campus.



Other noteworthy events include the awarding of a Red Cross scholarship to student Tammy Vega for her efforts in helping to ensure successful blood drive results at the Fulton Campus. Also, Assistant Director Sue Witmer was awarded the honor of being named "Rotarian of the Year" for her efforts in supporting the program planning for Oswego's weekly Rotary meetings. Sue attends these meetings as a representative of CCC's Fulton Campus. Finally, the college's Executive Team hosted members of the Oswego County Legislature at the Fulton Campus on June 30th. The meeting provided a valuable opportunity for Dr. Larson to provide more information to the legislators about the growth and successes of the Fulton Campus, as well as to share the college's plans for the future. The event was very successful and helped to strengthen ties with legislators, who play a very important role in our local community.

-Submitted by Maggie Killoran, Associate VP/Dean of the Fulton Campus



Cayuga Community College supports the United Way with a Chili Cook-off

Members and students in the Cayuga Community College Criminal Justice Society held a chili cook-off and food sales event as a fundraiser for the United Way of Greater Oswego County. The event raised over \$250. Contributors to the cook-off were given a stainless steel drinking mug and allowed to keep their ladle, courtesy of the CJ Society.

Presenting the proceeds from the event to the United Way are CJ Society Advisor, John Lamphere '74; CJ Society Member, Brian Clowes; United Way Resource Development Director, Lois Luber; CJ Society member, Jeremy Pekarek; Fulton Campus Assistant Director, Sue Witmer '90; and CJ Society Member, Brett Konu.

Fulton's PTK Fundraisers



Cassandra Chilson, Kate Riffle and Linda Ahart of Fulton Campus's Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) work at one of the weekly pizza sales. This past spring, PTK held a big "coffee house" with three bands in attendance. They sold pizza and soda and everyone involved had a good time. In addition, four of the members helped out at the Stone Soup luncheon in Fulton, where proceeds were donated to the local soup kitchen. The "Clicking Heels" event raised money for the local soup kitchen and fostered a great deal of participation and fun on the entire campus. PTK has contributed \$300 to the Vet Clubs' collection for the 1st Battalion and 2nd Marines Weapons Company that had been stationed in Iraq. Overall in 2010, Fulton's PTK donated a total of \$1535.



Fulton Instructors Jeff Shea and John Lamphere 'Click their Heels' for Charity.

Food Pantry Fundraiser

Two popular male teachers participated in a "Clicking Heels" contest sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa (PTK), which raised close to \$500 for a local food pantry and fostered a great deal of participation and fun on the entire

campus. Pictured are Instructor of Mathematics Jeff Shea (left, in beige heels) and Professor of Criminal Justice and former president/current secretary of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association John Lamphere '74 (right, in ruby red heels). The pair wore their heels for an hour, which included a trip around the "loop" of the Fulton campus. Their video received nearly 500 hits on the YouTube sites www.youtube.com/watch?v=nO2X66XzdWk and www.youtube.com/watch?v=anwfPKqMIFU.

SGO Holds Blood Drive/Fulton Student Receives Red Cross Scholarship

This past March, the Student Government Organization (SGO) held another successful blood drive on the Fulton Campus. The local Red Cross Chapter was thrilled with the 57 pints of blood that they collected. Tammy Vega, a Fulton Campus student, was awarded a \$1500 scholarship by the Red Cross in recognition of her efforts in personally recruiting donors and working with SGO on all four of the 2009-2010 blood drives, which achieved collection goals. SGO will be sponsoring two drives in October 2010.



L-R: Karen Ferguson, Branch Director Oswego County American Red Cross; Tammy Vega; Sue Witmer '90, Assistant Director of Fulton Campus; and Chris Hoffman, Account Manager Onondaga/Oswego County American Red Cross.



Student artwork displayed at the Fulton Campus.



Caitlyn Dillard signs Letter-of-Intent for Full Basketball Scholarship as Coach Alberici looks on

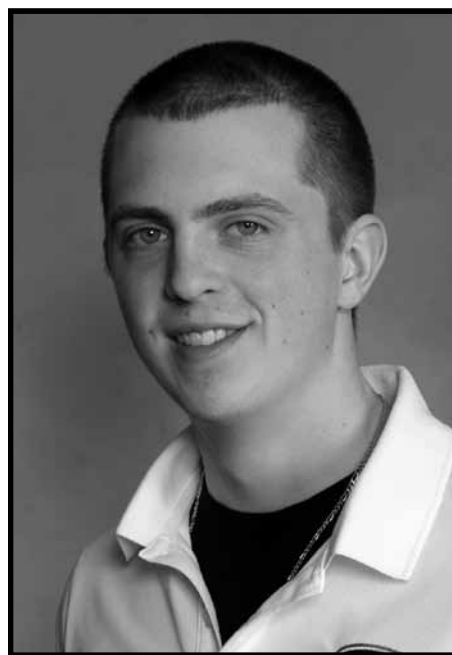
Dillard Earns First Team All-American; Signs Letter-of-Intent to UMD-Eastern Shore

Congratulations to Caitlyn Dillard (Lancaster, PA) from the Spartan's women's basketball team who was named to the NJCAA Women's Basketball Division III 2010 All-America First Team. Dillard, a sophomore in 2009-10, led the nation in scoring for the second straight season with 24.5 points per game average. She also became the all-time career leading scorer at Cayuga this season. Only 20 players nationwide were honored with this award and only two other players from the region earned this status. Caitlyn also

was named as a NJCAA Region III Division III Player of the Year and Mid-State Athletic Conference Player of the Year.

Dillard helped lead the Spartans to the NJCAA Region III Finals this past season. She was a Third Team NJCAA All-American in 2008-09 where she also led the nation in scoring with 23.8 points per game. She has signed a letter-of-intent to attend the University of Maryland-Eastern Shore to continue her academic and playing career on a basketball scholarship.

Fatcheric, Spinney Earn NJCAA, Regional Academic Recognition



Josh Fatcheric



Stefanie Spinney

Spartan men's bowler Josh Fatcheric (Weedsport, NY) has been named to the 2009-2010 NJCAA Academic All-American Team and the NJCAA Region III All-Academic Team. Fatcheric finished first in Singles at the NJCAA Nationals hosted by Erie CC in Buffalo, NY in March. He has maintained a 3.60 GPA in his math & science degree program at CCC.

Stefanie Spinney (Auburn, NY) also was named to the NJCAA Region III All-Academic Team. Spinney was a 3-sport participant in soccer, bowling and golf for the Spartans in 2009-10. She has maintained a 3.58 overall GPA in the business administration degree program at CCC.

Spartan Spring Sports Student-Athletes Earn Post-Season Recognition

Congratulations to the following Spartan student-athletes who were recognized by the NJCAA Region III and the Mid-State Athletic Conference:

First Team All-Region III

Alisha Brooks (Auburn, NY) - Women's Lacrosse
Ryan May (Auburn, NY) - Men's Golf

Second Team All-Region III

Kevin Festa (Auburn, NY) - Men's Lacrosse
Laura Iwanicki (Auburn, NY) - Women's Lacrosse

Mid-State Athletic All-Conference

Alisha Brooks (Auburn, NY) - Women's Lacrosse
Lauren Dunster (Auburn, NY) - Women's Lacrosse
Kevin Festa (Auburn, NY) - Men's Lacrosse
Laura Iwanicki (Auburn, NY) - Women's Lacrosse
Shawn Patterson (Auburn, NY) - Men's Golf



Alisha Brooks



Ryan May



Shawn Patterson



Kevin Festa



Lauren Dunster



Laura Iwanicki



Production "Knuckles" is a Hit!

It's exciting when the planets align and everything is "just right" for a production. A certain energy runs through the theatre -- the cast connects, the tech is focused and the audience willing. That is what happened in Harlequin Productions spring 2010 presentation of *Knuckles*. Former student Jason Manning first submitted the script about five years ago (on a 3.5" floppy disk -- ancient technology!!!!). It was raw but had potential. Numerous rewrites later the script was ready. Looking at the students ("the rats") who were hanging around, well, they just fit the idiosyncratic characters in the show; so, off we went! Six weeks from auditions to opening night, working four days a week is what it took to work with the company of 13 actors to create over 50 characters in 32 scenes. It was an exhilarating romp for all. Led by sophomores Zac Darling, Miranda Coll and Brien Bianchi, the entire company bought into Jason's play and worked hard to bring this comic romp-of-a-love-story to life. (Harlequin Productions bids farewell to Alaric Robin, Briezy O'Connell, Suzanne B. Smith and Sarah DelFavero and wishes them well as they move on with their lives.)

Long-time set designer Ginny Fennessy was not available, so the talents of Broadway veteran designer Rob Andrusko were enlisted to create a colorful, pop-up book of a set. Brad McLean came back to town from Boston to execute a masterful lighting design, while alum Allison Fennessy '96 did her usual spot-on costuming. Stage Manager Caryl Frame ably ran the backstage world and ensured the smooth transitions as this cinematic production flowed from scene to scene.

In addition to accolades from audiences and local reviewers, *Knuckles* received Merit Awards from the TANYs roving adjudicator assigned to respond to the show. *Excellence in Ensemble Work* to the entire cast, *Outstanding Direction* to Robert Frame, and *Outstanding Production Concept and Execution* to the entire production staff are the awards that will be presented at the TANYs Annual Festival in November.

Speaking of awards, Harlequin Productions has been honored with numerous awards over the years. These certificates and trophies were hidden backstage in Bob's office. Working with the maintenance department, a display board was built and placed next to the showcase outside of the theatre to display these prestigious achievements. In fact, there are so many awards that a second display board is being built!

Harlequin is also pleased to announce that they have a presence on Facebook: Harlequin Productions of Cayuga Community College. Pictures from shows going back to the early '90s can be found on this page. More shows will be added as the slides are scanned. Alumni can also "friend" this page and get in contact with others who were involved in the wonderful, crazy world that is Harlequin Productions!



Full company of *Knuckles*



Kait Lothridge, Miranda J. Coll, -- Nana confides to Maggie that she needs the bathroom.



Tarin Bonvino and Alaric Robin as Jack and Jill.



Full company reacts to Maggie's announcement: "I'm Pregnant!"



New campus display featuring selected awards received from the American College Theatre Festival and the Theatre Association of NY State from 1996 through 2007.



New Faculty, Staff Join Cayuga CC in Auburn, Fulton

Cayuga Community College is welcoming several new faculty and staff members to its Auburn and Fulton campuses to replace recent retirees and meet rising enrollment demands.

Philip J. Addabbo, CPA, of Marcellus, is an instructor of business and accounting for the Fulton campus. He earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from SUNY College at Buffalo and a master's degree in accounting from Syracuse University. Addabbo has served as controller or chief financial officer for several Syracuse-based companies, and has taught accounting and business as an adjunct instructor for Cayuga.

Nicole Z. Adsitt of Syracuse, coordinator of developmental studies, has a bachelor's degree in speech-language pathology from Nazareth College and a master's degree in higher education from Syracuse University. Before this appointment, Adsitt was director of academic support services for Le Moyne College. Her prior experience includes supervision of

learning communities and residence halls in higher education settings.

Ngoc Anna P. Huynh, Ph.D., of Chicago, is an instructor of psychology for the Auburn campus. She earned both her doctorate in experimental social cultural psychology and her master's degree in experimental psychology from DePaul University, and holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from SUNY College at Oswego. She has been an adjunct instructor of psychology at DePaul, teaching introductory, developmental, social, cultural, experiential and multicultural courses.

Melissa R. Johnson of Manlius, instructor of art for the Auburn campus, holds a BFA and an MFA in painting from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago and a bachelor's degree in rural sociology from Cornell University. She has been an adjunct instructor in several studio art disciplines for area colleges including Cayuga, has exhibited widely, and has served on thesis review panels for Wells College and Syracuse University.

Patrick L. McPeak of Syracuse,

director of student development, holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from Le Moyne College and a master's degree in counselor education from Syracuse University. His employment background in higher education includes student events and organizations, student conduct, judicial affairs and intercollegiate athletics.

Vita Marie Racko of LaFayette, student development counselor for the Fulton campus, has a bachelor's degree in psychology and French from Le Moyne College and a master's degree in community counseling from the University of Scranton. Racko has provided academic advising as well as personal, career and transfer counseling in university and community college settings.

Nathaniel R. Thomas of Harrisburg, Pa., psychology instructor for the Fulton campus, received a bachelor's degree in psychology from Coastal Carolina University and a master's degree in experimental psychology from Syracuse University. He has been a lecturer in statistics and behavioral,

comparative and developmental psychology at Syracuse University and a graduate teaching assistant in the psychology laboratories.

Amy Valente of Victor, instructor of business for the Auburn campus, earned her bachelor's degree in business administration from SUNY University at Albany and her MBA from St. John Fisher College. In the private sector, Valente has been involved in software engineering and online business development. As an adjunct instructor for Finger Lakes Community College, she has taught business courses on-campus and online.

Valerie Forrest will be working in the admission department as Admission's Assistant. This position will be housed at the Fulton Campus and will provide online support to both the Fulton and Auburn admissions department.

Jennifer Cost will also be working in the admissions department as Admission's Assistant. This position will also be housed at the Fulton Campus and provide online support to both the Fulton and Auburn admissions department.

Goodbye and Welcome

Retirements and New Hires (full-time) from March 2-September 1, 2010

RETIREMENTS

Pamela Freeman	Director of Publications & Communications	May 31
Nancy Kramer	Professor of Art	May 28
Joanne Lamb	Professor/Director of Student Development	August 31
Donald Sanzotta	Professor of Behavioral Science/Psychology	May 21

NEW FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES

Philip Addabbo	Instructor of Business/Accounting Fulton	September 1
Nicole Adsitt	Coordinator of Developmental Studies	September 1
Ngoc Anna Huynh	Assistant Professor of Psychology	September 1
Melissa Johnson	Instructor of Art	September 1
Patrick McPeak	Director of Student Development	August 2
Vita Marie Racko	Student Development Counselor Fulton	August 2
Nathaniel Thomas	Instructor of Psychology	September 1
Amy Valente	Instructor of Business	September 1

BEST WISHES

Dr. Deborah L. Moeckel - Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs - completed her last day on June 28 after 17 years of service to CCC. Debbie has moved to Albany to become the Assistant Provost for Community College Education in the SUNY Office of Academic Affairs.

CCC Tuition Steady for 2010-11

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along with some funding to offset rental costs for the college's Fulton branch campus. Even designated aid is not a given. Last year's allowance of \$2,675 per full-time student was cut by \$130 before the first semester had ended. While some community colleges increased tuition midyear to make up the loss, Cayuga held fast, expressing concern for the myriad cost pressures faced by students. For 2010-11, Albany whittled another \$285 from the proposed state budget.

The future of Fulton operations adds a further variable for Cayuga. Purchase of a new location in Oswego County is a priority, states Hutchinson, with classroom and parking capacity stretched to the limit in the current leased space just west of downtown Fulton. Temporary solutions to the space crunch may include extended weekday hours or Saturday classes, according to Maggie Killoran, associate vice president and dean of the Fulton campus. Relocating to college-owned property, she adds, "will eliminate the rental-aid variable and provide a campus we can develop cost-effectively for the long term."

Applications for Cayuga's Auburn, Fulton and online classes are accepted throughout July and August, but latecomers may find some courses filled to capacity. Details are posted at the college website at www.cayuga-cc.edu.



Class Notes



Patricia Markol Myr '58 is "still working fulltime and loving it." She also enjoys spending time with her 10-year-old granddaughter.

Yvonne Rosecrans '59 received her BA at Taylor in Indiana, her master's at UB and her doctorate at Florida State. She retired in 2001 and continued to teach part time for four years. She serves on many committees and is active in the union. Yvonne also cares for her 97-year-old father who "still drives."

Robert Welch '59 hosts an "Irish Music" show on Sundays here at CCC (WDWN 89.1 FM). He has been hosting Irish music shows for 33 years now. 'Tune in.'



Class of '60

As you may know, some members of the first graduating class from the "new" Auburn Community College had hopes of getting together for a reunion in June/July 2010. Classmates including John Brown (Florida), Joan Mitchell Beach (Maryland), Barney Higgins and Dave Zobkiw (Auburn) did what they could to rally the troops. Unfortunately, there wasn't enough response to make a plan and act on it. The Alumni Office has received a few calls and emails from class members. Many are wondering where their friends are and what has occurred in their lives. Some have offered funny memories of their days here or have wondered about specific friends they have not seen or heard from in literally decades. The *Spartan* is a great opportunity for you to send in your class notes and share your news. We ask anyone reading this to send us an update by email or U.S. mail so we can share it with your friends. And we love pictures!

William Keough '62 advises that a 50-year reunion of Auburn East High School, class of 1960, was being held in August 2010. "Wow, how time flies!" Bill states.

Louis Nocilly '62 comments that it has been rough lately with "4 deaths, plus a dog, an emergency appendectomy, and he just finished rehab with Tiger Woods." On the upside, he will be playing on the main stage for Jazz Fest in Syracuse; he won \$5 at Bingo; and just finished making a batch of Chianti.

Carol Wilson '62 is retired from VVS Central School and now subs at United Public Library.

Nancy Coleman '63 is now retired.

Joyce Crowley-Baroody '63 has been selling real estate since 1974, and is with Mitchell Pierson Jr. Realtors. She has two daughters: Carrie, who is married and has two boys; and Beth, who has three children.



Gary Lewis '63 and **Patricia Buckingham Lewis '63** are both retired and enjoy traveling. Patricia does volunteer work and Gary is an avid golfer. He is also a Trustee and serves on the Board of Directors for the YMCA. They enjoy spending time with their four grandchildren.

Terrance Oliver Sr. '64 is the retired athletic director with Vernon Verona Sherrill School District.

Mary Larose Warter '64 is a cytotechnologist (cell studies) at the Laboratory Alliances of CNY.

Jon Whalen '64 has written a book with his son, *Justifiable Homicide* by B.J. Whalen, and is currently collaborating on some other works with him. Jon lived and taught in Long Island for 25 years before returning to the area. He has two sons, one who is a Police Lieutenant and one who is a Fireman, and both work in NYC. Jon also enjoys traveling.



Mary Jean Munger '65 received her teaching degree at SUNY Oswego. She is now a retired history teacher, and taking classes at the Oswego Anthropology Department.



Susan Burns McKee '66 is now teaching dance and performing in *Senior Follies* and "having fun."

Carol Pesek '66 is now retired from teaching and enjoys traveling. She also cares for her mother.

Nancy Rhodes Soules '67 retired in February of this year from Butler Correctional Facility in Red Creek, NY.

Richard Woodworth '67 is "semi-retired." Richard was an adjunct at OCC for years and also taught a few classes at CCC. He is now teaching four classes of Business Administration at OCC. Richard has one of the largest collections of campaign buttons, starting with the first one in 1840 of (William) Henry Harrison.

Catherine Dare Mancini, RDMS, RVT '68 just retired from Diagnostic Imaging Center in Auburn after 21 years.

Donald Martin '68 retired from National Grid in 2002 after 30 years of service in various management positions. He is now following his passion as a professional jazz guitarist who performs as a soloist and with various other artists. Donald shares that he valued his ACC education and that it provided him with the foundation for his BS and MBA degrees, as well as his career in management.

Susan Rice Reed '68 graduated in 1970 from SUNY Oswego with a BA in Sociology, and her MA in Counseling and Human Development from Troy State University. She married **Charles "Chap" Reed '67** and they had two sons. Susan recently retired from the Department of Children and Families, State of Florida, as supervisor for the Protective Services Department.



Thomas Kirkpatrick '69 retired March of 2010 after 40 years at the Monroe County Department of Social Services.

Michael Mancini '69 retired from Cayuga County Health and Human Services, following nearly 40 years of service.

John Nicandri '69 Sr. VP/Lending Officer of Seneca Falls Savings Bank, was one of seven individuals honored June 8 by Catholic Charities of the Finger Lakes with the Sharing the Light award, given in recognition of "those who have given so much of their time and talent to the betterment of our community."

John Scanlan '70 is retired from teaching, though still does some tutoring. John enjoys visiting his grandchildren and just returned from North Carolina after just such a visit.

Bernard '71 and **Rebecca Marsh Marino '71** Bernie is a police detective with the U.S. Treasury and Becky is semi-retired. She is a substitute teacher in Auburn and is a ski instructor in Utah.



Nancy Card Palmer '71 is teaching second grade at the Immaculate Conception.

James Vivencio III '71 retired from CCC and is working at SU as Coordinator of Student Instructional Technology in the Whitman School of Management. Jim earned his first degree at ACC in 1971, a second at CCC in 1989, Empire State College in 1993 and at SU in 1998. Jim enjoys working at SU because he is a huge SU basketball fan.

Janet Holdrege Cole '72 has been an RN for 35 years, a Nurse Practitioner, and Associate Professor of Nursing at CCC. She also works at Auburn Memorial Hospital. Janet reminisces that it all started at ACC. She and her husband Jeffrey, who works for NYSEG, have four children who graduated from CCC: **Stacey Coleman '96**, **Bradley '01**, **Kristen '02**, and **Michelle '05**; they also have three grandchildren.



G. Bryan Honald '72 has been doing an internship with Experience Works which ended in June. He will either be hired on by Onondaga County or obtain a job in the private sector.

Ann Oaks '72 has retired from Hobart and William Smith College as Associate Professor of Math. After ACC, Ann earned her bachelor's degree from Hobart and William Smith and her master's in math at the University of Rochester on a Fellowship. She and her husband Nathan will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary this summer. Ann also enjoys growing orchids.



Linda Larham Breuer '73 has retired from teaching and has two granddaughters.

Helen Chapman Eshleman '73 has two daughters who were married in 2009, and two new great-grandsons born in 2009.



Robert Pacelli '73 is employed by McQuay International as a supervisor and **Marilyn Oliver Pacelli '71** is providing childcare in her home.

A. Christopher Sandstrom '73 still enjoys his "hands on" involvement with his tree service of 41 years. He is grateful to many teachers at ACC who encouraged him along the way. After graduating, he went on to get his degree from the College of Environmental Science and Forestry in '75. He returned to CCC to teach Conservation and Natural Resources. He states that you should "Do what you enjoy because you have to work a lot of years."

Sandy Bucklin Dunn '74 and her husband Ted have become proud grandparents on May 8, 2010, when their daughter Janet and her husband Wayne Stuttle had a son, Cody Wyatt.



Donald Semple '74 is retired as a Registered Nurse and is enjoying 18 holes of golf four days a week and travel. He jokes that it took him 18 years to get his 2-year degree because after starting at ACC, he dropped out to join the Marine Corps. He returned years later to get his nursing degree. He worked at the Auburn Prison for 32 years and retired in 1993. He is married to Diana.

John Sincebaugh '74 is retired from the U.S. Army.

Donna Laird '75 is a computer programmer for Chase Manhattan Bank.

Kathryn Capacci '75 and **Robert Peterson '75** were high school/college sweethearts and married in 1976. "Kitty" is working as a Republican Deputy Commissioner of the Seneca County Board of Elections and is active in her community, church, local theatre and politics. Bob is working as a District Field Manager for C&S Grocers, Inc. He is an officer in the Knights of Columbus Council #222 and stays busy with the SMS Italian Club in Seneca Falls. They have two grown daughters, **Becky '01** and **Marie**.

Linda Miller '76 started her own consultation business, "Policy Matters," in Delmar, NY.

Robert Pace '76 is an Adjunct Instructor in Criminal Justice at Tompkins-Cortland Community College. He is retired from the Cortland Police Department.

Mary B. Parsons '77 has enjoyed her "semi-retirement" for nine years. She works part-time at Jordan Elementary School, handles the payroll for two businesses, and has an income tax business.

Patricia Falsey Cuff '78 is employed with Cayuga County, and her husband is with Buckeye Partners.

Nancy Tucker Assman '79 is employed with Cayuga County Historian's Office and her husband is employed with McQuay International. They have a son, Mike, who is a junior at SUNY Cortland where his baseball team took 2nd place in the D3 College World Series this past May.



Margaret "Peggy" Simmons Bufano '79 is employed with Onondaga County urn of Mental Health.

Rev. Louise Tallman Shepard '80 is a Pediatric Chaplain at Upstate Golisano Children's Hospital.

Susan Gasparo Gawlicky '82 is employed by Auburn Prison.

Darryl Peck '82 had a grandson, Tucker David, born February 2010.

Maria Locastro '84 After 22 years as a cardiac nurse, Maria is now with Crisis Intervention Management as a psychiatric nurse. She also works per diem at the Hillside Center for Children.

LOCKHEED MARTIN



Robert Ruschak '84 is employed with Lockheed Martin in Owego, NY.

Mary Ann Young Murphy '86 is employed by Westhill High School as an English teacher. She is married and has three children.

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Class Notes



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Dawn Bauso Noble '87 has a new baby boy, Dominick. He was born in March 2010. Dawn says that big sisters Lucy, 7, and Ella, 4, love to play "little mommy" to their new baby brother.

William Bogart '88 shared on his Facebook page his appreciation for math instructor Don Fama. Bill had been told by a professor that he was too weak in math to become an engineer and that he should find a different career path. Bill ignored this "suggestion" and sought out Prof. Fama's differential equations and calculus classes. While he admits that he did struggle with math, he said Prof. Fama got him through it and that he is an engineer today thanks to him. "He is a good man and an excellent math instructor."

Sherry Lewis Gabak '88 and her husband Bill just celebrated their 44th wedding anniversary. They have two sons, who both graduated from CCC. They feel blessed with two grandchildren, Maris, age 2, and William, age 5 months. "They are our greatest joys!" Sherry and Bill enjoy spending one month in Florida each year. They are both retired; Sherry served as Purchasing Agent for the City of Auburn.



Candace Doolittle Lucas '88 Her artwork is being displayed at the Frontenac Point Vineyard outside of Trumansburg, NY. The exhibition "Altered States" is a collection of works that creatively interpret



definitions of the word "alter." After graduating summa cum laude from CCC, Candy went on to graduate from Wells College, where she was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and received distinction in the special field of Studio Art. Her work has been exhibited in Ithaca, Auburn and galleries in Syracuse, NY.

John Hai '88 retired at the rank of Master Sergeant in 2006 from the U.S.M.C. after 20 years of service. He is married to **Nicolette DeSocio '89**, who graduated Keuka College with a B.S. in Organizational Management in 2008.



R.L. Murray Jr. '88 is a high school teacher at North Rose-Wolcott and an author. R.L.'s son Ryan attended CCC (third generation) for one year and then enlisted in the service. R.L. was planning a trip to visit his son Ryan who is returning from a tour of duty in Afghanistan. He is stationed in California.

Timothy McGinn '90 is Territory Manager for Combined Insurance in Horseheads, NY.

Susan Witmer '90 was named Rotarian of the Year by the Oswego County Rotary this summer to recognize her "excellence in service furthering the principles and ideals of the Rotary way of life." Her community involvement includes numerous civic organizations in Oswego. Sue has been with the college's Fulton campus since its founding in 1994.



Michael Petrucelli '91 was married to Mikiko Sakamoto on March 8, 2010 in Medford, OR. Michael is employed as a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Medford.

Richard John Walsh '96 married Tony Ann Daley on May 1, 2010. Richard is employed as a manufacturing operator with GE Inspection Technologies. They enjoyed their honeymoon at the Sandals Resort in Antigua and will be living in Camillus, NY.

Randy Wight '97 is a Staff Sergeant in the Army and is part of The Volunteers, a branch of the U.S. Army Field Band. The group performs a free six-piece musical show. Some of their performances recently included Puerto Rico, Nicaragua, Mexico, and New Orleans. Randy joined the Army in 2004 following a career as a solo



performer and studio musician. He is a keyboardist and drummer.

Michele Vollmer '00 is working at Wells College in development as Assistant to the VP for Advancement.

Frankie Porter Heath '01 and Michael Marcuccilli had a 9 lb. 8.7 oz. son, Ryan Michael on March 30, 2010.

Rebecca Peterson '01 went on to SUNY Morrisville and now works as a confidential secretary in DHS of Seneca County.



Christopher Edward Schell '01 and **Susan Ruth Palmer '04** were married on October 3, 2009 in Auburn, NY. The couple traveled to Aruba for their wedding trip.

Kimberly Mary Adam '02 was married to Nicholas Adam Grassley on May 23, 2009 at Sacred Heart Church in Auburn.

Emily Cadwallader '02 and **Michael Cameron '02** are engaged to be married in October 2010.

Jennifer Marie Weller '02 is engaged to Joel Wheeler. Jennifer is a licensed massage therapist and attended Finger Lakes School of Massage. Her hobbies are aromatherapy, hiking, biking, canoeing, baking and crocheting. A September 2010 wedding is planned.



David Martin '03 was married to Sueann Jones on November 21, 2009.

Amy Morrissey '03 is engaged to Thomas A. Bunn Jr. An October 2010 wedding is planned.

Craig Hoover '04 in an e-mail to math instructor Donald Fama, Craig shared that he just graduated with full honors and a 4.0 GPA while earning a Bachelor's of Science in Computer Information Systems. To Fama he said, "I could have never

accomplished this feat without your skills and leadership, as well as your encouragement. Thank you."



Ronald Marsteiner II '04 and **Amy Sue Burridge '04** are engaged to be married. A July 2011 wedding is planned.

Sharon Young Ryan '05 would like to encourage others to return to school. After 23 years with the same company, she was laid off. She returned to CCC and surprised herself by making the Dean's List. She is now in data systems and is very happy with her new career. She wants everyone to know that it is never too late.

Sabrina Gratton '06 married Brian Borst on May 8, 2010 at Emerson Pavilion, Owasco. They spent their wedding trip in Myrtle Beach, SC.

Jessica Leigh Campbell '07 is engaged to David James Pike. A September 2010 wedding is planned.

Darcy Barber '08 won the Student Leader Award from the NYS Association for the Education of Young Children. The award honors exceptional contributions to early childhood care and education.

What's new in your life? The ACC/CCC Alumni Association would like to hear from you. Please keep in touch so we can update our files and share your news with others in the next *Spartan* alumni newsletter.

Name _____ Class Year _____

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Your News: Feel free to send an additional page if you have a lot to tell!

Due to privacy laws, your contact information will not be published or given out without your permission.



Passings 2010



Judith Bouck DiVietro '65 passed away peacefully on March 4, 2010. She enjoyed spending time with family and friends, especially on Owasco Lake and was known to be the family chef. She and her husband Joseph had four children.

Charles "Chap" Reed '67 passed away. He served 23 years in the US Air Force. His family followed him in his assignments around the country and in the Philippine Islands. He was married to Susan Rice Reed '68 and they had two sons, Sean and Casey.



John Reilly '68 passed away June 24, 2009. He was a veteran of the Marine Corps, having served his country during the Vietnam War. He had been employed with New

York State where he worked as a Veterans Counselor. More recently, he worked as an Employment Counselor with the NYS Department of Labor. He received his master's from SUNY Binghamton and was a communicant of Holy Family Church. John was an amazing songwriter and musician who played with the "John Reilly Band." He is survived by his wife Wendy Barrett Reilly and two sons, Christopher and Jesse.

Deborah Drutz Clinch '69 passed away peacefully May 5, 2010. She was employed by the Auburn Correctional Facility. Debbie was involved in many local organizations including United Way, Neighborhood House and was a member of the board of directors for CHAD. She was the recipient of the Paul Harris Award for her

outstanding community service, given by Rotary International. She had two daughters and enjoyed two grandsons.

Monica Dec Groleau '71 passed away on February 7, 2010. She and her husband Wesley Groleau and their two sons Christopher and Michael lived in Fort Wayne, IN since 1995.

Patricia Agee Richardson '74 passed away. She was an ordained Minister in the Church of God in Christ. She worked with McAllen Independent School District as a substitute teacher and served as a conference host, motivational speaker and counselor. She and her husband Robert had three children, Candis, Robert III and Zachary. She was known as a beacon of light and enjoyed serving her community and volunteering.

Harold Thomas "Tom" Pinckney '75 passed away April 8, 2010. He owned Cayuga Painting doing auto body work repair. He served three years in the Army followed by 18 years in the National Guard, retiring with the rank of Staff Sergeant, E7. He and his wife Danuta "Donna" had three daughters.

Catherine "Kay" Cool '76 passed away May 21, 2010. Catherine and her husband Corporal Robert E. Cool moved to Geneva, NY after WWII and later to Ovid. She was an auxiliary member of Ovid VFW and the American Legion and a member of Catholic Daughters of America and the Rosary-Altar Society of Holy Cross Church, where she served as a Eucharistic Minister. She enjoyed travel and had three children, Thomas, Lee, and Rita (Noonan).

Nancy Crawford McGohan '82 passed away July 7, 2010. She was married to Richard "Bill" Crawford and had a daughter Amy Clink (David), a stepson Joshua,

and five grandchildren. She was predeceased by her son, Cody Crawford. Nancy received her bachelor's of nursing from SUNY Utica and was employed with Auburn Memorial Hospital as a registered nurse for 31 years. She was a member of the Calvary Chapel of Auburn where she was a dedicated Sunday School Teacher. Nancy loved animals, especially her own cats.

John Kelley '91 passed away on January 29, 2010. He worked as a Registered Nurse and later became a Treatment Team leader at Finger Lakes Developmental Disabilities Service Office. He and his wife Roxanne had one daughter, and were certified foster parents for many years.

Eric Leisenring '97 passed away on July 24, 2010. He was employed as an accountant by the United States government in the Department of Financial Accounting Services in Rome, NY. Eric was a member of the Auburn Lodge No. 124 F and AM, the Port Byron Volunteer Fire Department, the Port Byron Federated Church and was a former president of the Poor Boys Car Club. Mr. Leisenring played bass guitar with several local bands.

Glenn Saunders '97 passed away on March 13, 2010. He was employed by Auburn Memorial Hospital and Community General Hospital. He and his wife Ann had two sons. Glenn enjoyed history, reading and writing poetry.

Jeannine McHale Babcock '03 passed away May 7, 2010. She was employed with Oswego City School District as a teacher's aide for 15 years, with Cadaret Grant for four years and, recently, with Oswego Hospital for four years. She was married to Jim Babcock and had two sons, John and Matthew Musico. Jeannine enjoyed

gardening, walking her dogs, jet skiing and spending time at her camp.

Elizabeth "Betty" Greer



long time CCC employee passed away March 24, 2010. She was employed as a stenographer with the college for 12 years. She was an active member of the Auburn United Methodist Church. Along with her late husband Jack, Betty was recognized by the church for her dedication with the "Lay People of the Year" award in 2000. She was an avid sports fan and followed the NY Yankees and Mets, as well as SU sports. Mrs. Greer and her husband had three sons, David (Randa), Richard, and Thomas (Beth), along with four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Anne Olsen Seld, former professor of French at ACC/CCC from 1968 to 1978, passed away December 4, 2009 at Geneva General Hospital. Anne had been warmly remembered in the Alumni Association's "Now/Then" Newsletters. Born in Fonda, Montgomery County, Anne was a graduate of what became State University of New York at Albany where she received a bachelor of arts and a master of arts degrees. She taught French at Mynderse Academy in Seneca Falls for 30 years. Anne was an avid golfer, and very much enjoyed the Seneca Falls Country Club. Her husband of 68 years, Arthur I. Seld of Seneca Falls, passed away on July 15, 2010.

Ann Faynor Slutsky passed away peacefully on March 9, 2010 in Green Valley, AZ. She had been employed as secretary to the academic dean at the college for more than 17 years until her retirement in 1985. Ann was a graduate of the Auburn Business School and worked for ALCO and Henry & Allen prior to joining the

college. She earned her pilot's license and served our country as a member of the Civil Air Patrol during World War II. Following her husband, Wally's, death, she moved to Arizona and had recently celebrated her 90th birthday. Ann is survived by her three daughters and their husbands, Betsy (Mark) Coleman, of Auburn; Susan (Harold) Hanon, of Tubac, AZ; and Peg (Tim) Corbett, of Alexander, NC; four grandchildren and two great-grandsons; one sister and two brothers.

Vincent Klein, former vice chair and chair of the college's Board of Trustees, died on May 16, 2010. Appointed to the Board of Trustees in 1975 by Gov. Carey and reappointed in 1984 and 1994 by Gov. Cuomo, he served with distinction for nearly three decades. As board chair during 1987-91, he oversaw a major \$6.5 million capital project which renovated campus facilities and linked the main and technology buildings. A distinguished local businessman and civic-minded individual, Mr. Klein served selflessly on countless community boards and organizations, including the college's Foundation.

Francis Mastropietro, local restaurateur, linguist, and civic leader, died on June 3, 2010. He was a member of the College's Board of Trustees in the mid-1970's. Mr. Mastropietro was a devoted member of the local community and served on the Auburn Board of Education for 18 years and on the Auburn City Council.

Our sympathies go out to their families. They will be missed by all who knew them.

You Tube **CAMPUS** CONTEST

Broadcast Yourself

Students coming to CCC this fall were offered the opportunity to make a video to tell the world "Why I Chose Cayuga" with prizes for the winning entries.

Cayuga posted a video contest on *YouTube* and students who registered for full- or part-time study at CCC in fall 2010 were eligible to compete. Entries were accepted beginning May 1 with August 15 as the submission deadline. Criteria stipulated that all video entries were to be a 30-to-90-second video of original content, created by the entrant and appropriate for all audiences.

Contest rules stated that videos would be screened for compliance with contest criteria and judged for creativity, clarity and relevance of message, motivation and inspiration, and overall entertainment value. A panel of judges appointed by the college would then choose the Grand Prize winner, who would receive an Apple iPad with the winning video posted on Cayuga's website, Facebook and *YouTube* channels. A People's Choice winner voted by web viewers would receive a Flip Mino HD digital camcorder.

Names of the winners were not available by press time, but videos may be viewed at www.cayuga-cc.edu/contest



Fall '10 Activities



Wednesday, September 1
Fulton Campus
W.C. Pope
Come get yourself drawn as a cartoon. Have a laugh and get a new picture to hang on your wall. Student Lounge, 10:30am-1:30pm



The Barrigar Brothers

Thursday, September 2
Auburn Campus
Barrigar Brothers
Relax and enjoy watching the talented Barrigar Brothers perform. Cafe, 11am-12:30pm

Wednesday, September 8
Auburn Campus
Game Zone
WANTED: Students interested in learning or perfecting their skills with the latest game systems: X-box 360, PS3, and Wii all on jumbo screens. Rec. Room, 10am-3pm



Wednesday, September 15
Fulton Campus
Student Activities Fair with Picture This


Come learn about the many exciting clubs and organizations you could join. Student activities is the 2nd component of the overall college experience. Student Lounge, 10:30am - 1:30pm
Picture This does novelty picture buttons and key chains; customizable keepsakes for students to take with them. 10am - 3pm

Friday through Sunday, September 17-19
Fulton and Auburn Campus
Bus Pick-ups
Gettysburg Battlefield Excursion #1
Two-night trip
The Alumni Association is once again offering the very popular excursion to Gettysburg National Park led by John Lamphere. The trip includes lodging, bus transportation, and Continental breakfast daily, Saturday dinner at the historic Farnsworth House, entry to several sights and personalized tours. \$236 per person based on two people sharing a room. Open to the public. Contact the Alumni office at alumni@cayuga-cc.edu or 315-255-1743 ext. 2224 or 2454.



Friday through Sunday, September 24-26
Fulton and Auburn Campus
Bus Pick-ups
Gettysburg Battlefield Excursion #2
Two-night trip
By popular demand the Alumni Association will offer a repeat of Excursion #1 (see above).

Saturday & Sunday, September 18 -19
Yankees Baseball Game in Baltimore



Overnight excursion
The trip includes tickets to Yankees baseball games, hotel, and bus ride. For more details see Student Activities.

Wednesday, September 22
Auburn Campus
Student Activities Fair
Student Lounge, 10:30am - 1:30pm

Wednesday, September 22
Auburn Campus
Massage Therapy
10 minute tension relaxing chair massages. Completely FREE of charge. Student Lounge, 10:30am-1:30pm

Thursday, September 23
Fulton Campus
Tracy Silverman
Listen to the wonderful sounds of composer, singer, songwriter, and electric violinist Tracy Silverman. Student Lounge, 10:30am-12:30pm



Tracy Silverman

Friday, October 1
Fulton Campus
Campus Bowling Night
Join us at Lakeview Lanes Only \$4 per student/Fulton campus; Additional info TBA, 6pm-9pm



Sunday, October 3
Auburn Campus
FDR starring Ed Asner
The CCC Foundation has underwritten a performance of this one-man show starring Ed Asner of TV and motion picture fame. Tickets must be purchased in advance by sending a check payable to CCCC Foundation, Inc. \$15 per person. Irene A. Bisgrove Community Theatre. Curtain time: 3pm



Wednesday, September 22
Auburn Campus
W.C. Pope
See previous description. Cafe, 10:30am-1:30pm

Wednesday, October 6
Auburn Campus
W.C. Pope
See previous description. Cafe, 10:30am-1:30pm

Wednesday October 13
Fulton Campus
Dennis Duez-Handwriting Analysis
Ever wonder what your handwriting could reveal about your personality? Come find out what you're hiding without knowing you actually are. Student Lounge, 11am-2pm

Sunday October 17
Auburn Campus
8th Annual Antique Appraisal Fair "Don't Trash It, Cash It: 2010" Bring in your antiques or collectables for our experts to offer opinions on their value. \$2 per item or \$5 for three items will be charged. Open to the public. Student Lounge, Noon-4 pm

Monday, October 18
Auburn Campus
Cayuga Café Unplugged
Featuring acoustic performer **John Rush**. 10:30am - 1:30pm



John Rush

Thursday, October 21
Auburn Campus
The Great Debate Heads vs. Feds
Debate to legalize marijuana with Steve Hagar, Editor in Chief of "High Times," and Robert M. Stutman, DEA Officer. Bisgrove Theater, 7pm-debate, Free Admission

Wednesday October 27
Fulton Campus
Tarot Card Readings
What does your future hold for you? Come find out what you have to look forward to. Student Lounge, 10:30am-1:30pm

Thursday, November 11
Auburn Campus
Student Government Blood Drive
Pre-sign up with SGO begins a week before. Student Lounge, 10am-3pm

Saturday-Sunday, November 13 & 14
Auburn Campus
Overnight Trip to New York City
Sponsored by the ACC/CCC Alumni Association and open to the public. Bus and midtown Manhattan hotel accommodations. For details contact the alumni office at alumni@cayuga-cc.edu or 315-255-1743 ext. 2224 or 2454.

Wednesday, November 17
Fulton Campus
Javier Mendoza



Javier Mendoza

Come hear the acoustic styling of Javier Mendoza. Javier has had many songs featured on MTV's *Real World*. Student Lounge, 10:30am-11:30am

Saturday & Sunday, December 4 & 5
Auburn Campus
37th Annual Holiday Craft Festival
Over 150 crafters and vendors - Free Admission
Saturday: 10am-5pm
Sunday 11am-4pm

Monday, December 6
Fulton Campus
Wednesday, December 8
Auburn Campus
Massage Therapy
See previous description. Student Lounge, 10:30am-1:30pm

For more information on activities sponsored by the Student Activities Board or to be placed on the Performing Arts mailing list, call (315) 255-1743, ext. 2232



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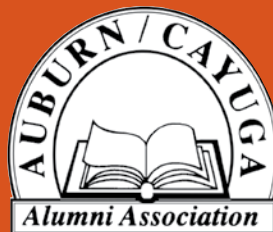
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