“Maintaining consistency with uniqueness” - so true and so fitting for Cayuga and its locations in Cayuga and Oswego counties! Both campuses adhere to the same binding academic policies and procedures while each shows uniqueness and individuality in its different location and student body. Yes, both campuses! We are proud and excited to announce that Cayuga’s energetic Fulton site has recently achieved campus status. To gain full branch recognition is the ultimate goal for an extension site. It is a long road and a work of love with a tremendous amount of legal and paper work, many meetings, and briefings. The following criteria for the status had to be fulfilled:

1. Realistic enrollment projection of 1,000 FTEs (full-time equivalents) within four years
2. Established administrative structure
3. Full compliment of academic and support services are provided
4. Support of Oswego County
5. Approval from the State University of New York, the State Education Department, and the Governor’s Office

With having effected campus status for Fulton, Cayuga achieved a major strategic goal in serving Oswego County. Enrollment at the Fulton campus is currently at 1,100 and the campus offers 100 percent of its registered programs on site. Its plans include exploring new programs, possibly even some the Auburn campus may not offer.

Cayuga Community College has prepared thousands of students in the Greater Oswego County area for transfer to four-year institutions and for entering or re-entering the workforce. Twelve years ago when the Fulton site was established, no one could have predicted that it would explode into the current enrollment of 1,100 students. Like a growing child, it has outgrown its buildings twice, moving from two rented classrooms in the basement of the Fulton Education Center with 97 students to the former Holy Family School, and eventually to its current site in the Pyramid Mall, Route 3, in the city of Fulton.

The original administrative staff included Fred Mason, Debbi Parker Grimshaw, Sue Weatherstone, and Jo Ann Harris. Sue Weatherstone ’90 is the assistant director of the campus. In this position she is responsible to coordinate the day-to-day operation. Her knowledge of the College’s policies and procedures makes her an...
Dear Alumni and Friends of ACC/CCC,

The Alumni Visions (and formerly Now & Then) newsletters have traditionally provided this space for a greeting from the CCCC Foundation. In this issue we take the unprecedented step of presenting a joint message from the College and the Foundation in order to recognize the achievements of Elisabeth Hurley, our retiring director of alumni affairs and development assistant.

The ACC/CCC Alumni Association is one of the oldest among New York’s community colleges, dating back to 1959. For the first years of its existence, the Association’s activities were sporadic. Then in 1986 the College and the Foundation made a major commitment to our graduates by appointing the first ACC/CCC alumni director. This began as a part-time position devoted to a smattering of alumni programs including our first alumni phon-a-thon which raised all of $6,000.

Alumni programming grew slowly but steadily for the next decade. Then, in April 1998, Elisabeth Hurley arrived on campus and things really took off! Under her leadership the Alumni Association increased its visibility on and off campus and undertook a myriad of programs and services: Do your own thing trips to New York City and Boston; annual Discover America’s History trips to Gettysburg; antique appraisal days; first-ever book grants; 50th anniversary scholarship; annual Alumni Open House; involvement with career workshops and panel discussions; help with the Teaching Peace series and the popular Family Fun Day; community service including the Senior Citizen Enrichment Day and Adopt-A-Highway; and outstanding involvement with students on a daily basis. Elisabeth served as the adviser to the student club IMPACT and her door was always open for a student who was having a bad day or just needed someone to listen.

Elisabeth’s involvement off campus was nearly as extensive as her work at ACC. A few of her many volunteer involvements included Leadership Cayuga, the Community Preservation Committee, Merry-Go-Round Playhouse, the Skaneateles Festival, Unity House, BOCES Center for Learning, the Spokane Area Historical Society, Cayuga Museum, and Matthew House.

Thanks to Elisabeth, the ACC/CCC Alumni Association has been recognized as a model for other community colleges. This newsletter has traditionally provided this space for alumni involvement with students, added new ones, reported to you about exciting news from the College on a regular basis, and were able to have your steadfast and often increased financial support.

To continue on that extended path, a specially formed Long-Range Planning Committee recently finalized and presented suggestions for additional new and expanded ideas to be implemented over the next one to three years. I am grateful that I was able to be part of this energetic and creative group. (Check out the separate article and see what’s in store!)

Now, after almost nine years, the time has come to slow down a bit and “to smell the roses.” I retired from my position as director of alumni affairs as of August 31 with very mixed feelings. As a newcomer to the area I did not have the privilege of starting my higher education at Cayuga. However, I considered it indeed a privilege and honor to have been able to serve on behalf of you and our current students. You and they have enriched my life in so many ways! It is my hope to stay connected in some way. I have come “out of the swirl” but would like to go back into it, albeit just a little bit.

Thank you all so much for your wonderful support!

There is someone else I need to thank in a very big way! I can’t say enough about Alice Hootland, our outgoing Alumni Association President. Alice’s passion for and support of our mission to promote and enhance relations among the alumni, the College community, and the community-at-large is always, I mean always, in evidence. It’s also one of the reasons Alice has been so wonderful to work with. And it is also no wonder that it was her initiative and leadership that wasfinalized in a great plan for the next three years. Alice, thank you for everything you have done, and thank you for your strong support of me and my work.

The Board is fortunate to have you as a member for another year! I would also like to thank my newsletter co-editor, Roberta Bellnier, for the many hours of admirable work she put into creative ideas and article-writing. Thanks Bobbie! Best wishes and “Auf Wiedersehen!”

Elisabeth Hurley

Dear Graduates and Friends of the College,

It was with the September 1998 alumni newsletter that I reached out to all of you for the very first time. I was hired by the Cayuga County Community College Foundation five months earlier and was challenged to “plunge right in.” And it was indeed a plunge into a dizzying but enjoyable whirl. I was given the challenge to widen our visibility with our alumni, with students, faculty and staff, and with the wider community. Needless to say, I couldn’t have done it alone. With the help of a fine Alumni Association Board of Directors and supportive Foundation, the never tiring assistance of Debbi Purcell ’98, and the help from work study students and Cayuga colleagues we were able to do much. We continued existing programs and services, added new ones, and reported to you about exciting news from the College on a regular basis, and were able to have your steadfast and often increased financial support.

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Elisabeth Hurley

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Plunging into the whirl, I come out with the swirl... 

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Chuang-tzu, fourth-century B.C. Taoist sage
GREETINGS FROM ACC/CCC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Alumni and College Friends,

I can’t believe it’s already been two years that I’ve served as president of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association and now my term of office is coming to an end. We have accomplished so many things thanks to the efforts and hard work of our board of directors, executive director, office staff, committees, and volunteers. Thanks to all of you who helped! Our most important undertaking has been the development of our three year long-range plan. Our committee met and discussed ideas for future projects of the Alumni Association. The board approved these recommendations and subcommittees have been established to accomplish each recommendation. The new committees will work to implement and promote the following areas: Alumni outreach, a dinner dance, a wall of fame for recognition of successful alumni, student outreach, community outreach, and financial aid to students. We will keep you updated as our plans for these projects become reality.

Congratulations to our recent graduates, over 600 of them! As part of the implementation of our long-range goal to promote alumni outreach, I was honored to greet the new alumni at the graduation ceremony. We presented commencement awards to two deserving graduates who are transferring to four-year institutions, Kristen Paczkowski and Torey Watson. On graduation day, we honored four of our alumni who received outstanding awards, Fred Falsey ’76, Karen Merritt ’77, Deborah Purcell ’79, and Jason Roche ’88. During the spring semester we conducted another successful phon-a-thon, and I thank you for your show of support for our College. The Alumni Association also pledged $7,500 to the College capital campaign for renovations to the theatre, cafeteria, child care center, and bookstore.

It is with much sadness that we received the retirement announcement of Alumni Association Executive Director Elisabeth Hurley. I have known and worked with Elisabeth for the nine years she has been with us and she has accomplished so many things for the College, the Foundation, and our Alumni Association. Her energy has been the driving force behind our achievements. She has kept us on track, moving forward, and we will miss her leadership very much. We hope to still see her around campus as she works on special projects and transitions our new director. Elisabeth, good luck in your retirement and we are grateful for your years of service.

Yours truly,

Alice Hoatland ’70

ACCOUNTING PROFESSIONALS SPEAK AT CCC

Professor Paul Shinall ’73, chair of the Accounting Curriculum Committee, invited three professionals to speak to students about the following topics:

Transferring From CCC To A Job In Local Governmental Accounting
Presenter: Cindy Loncosky ’87, Assessor for the Town of Seneca Falls and former Town Accountant

Transferring From CCC To A Job In Not-For-Profit Accounting
Presenter: Kathy Krasniak, Director of Finance for the United Way of Cayuga County

Transferring In Accounting From CCC Into SUNY Empire State College’s BS Degree Program
Presenter: Joanne Corscia, Ph.D., Mentor and Coordinator for SUNY Empire State College

ALUMNI NEWS NOTES

1956

Dorothy (Burns) Butkiewicz moved to Phoenix, Arizona in 1956. She is married and has four daughters and three grandchildren. She and her husband celebrated their 47th wedding anniversary on June 25, 2006. Dorothy has fond memories of growing up in Auburn and attending Auburn Community College - “Has it been 50 years? Where has time gone?”

1959

Patricia (Scott) Lovell of Auburn is enjoying her retirement and her four-year-old granddaughter.

Vincent P. Shaw of Auburn is a very active volunteer in the community. He donates his time at the Finger Lakes Center for Living, where he interacts with the residents and helps to solve any problems they may be encountering at that particular time; at the Matthew House, where he works with terminally ill patients and their families; and at St. Mary’s Church, where he helps out in the Bingo Hall and waits tables at the monthly pasta dinners. (If you have not attended one of these suppers, you should try it.) Vincent also donates time at The Seward House, the YWCA and for the Great Race.

1961

Mario J. Gambuzzi retired from G.E. Service Corp (now Verizon) and lives in Fort Myers, Florida.

Barbara (Hollatz) Lohr of Seneca Falls is enjoying the “retired” life with her husband.

1962

Linda L. (Mattoon) Thrall of Liverpool works part time for St. Joseph’s Hospital and keeps busy with her five grandchildren.

1963

Arthur Riddlesworth is in his third year of semiretirement in St. Petersburg, Florida. Arthur works a five-day week at the local Pizza Hut, and said he has held very interesting but stressful jobs in the past, but this one is fun!

Edwin J. Schroll of Cape Vincent retired from teaching at the Massena Central Schools.

Ruth E. Wethey of Port Byron continues to volunteer at the Port Byron Library because she enjoys keeping up with new publications and finding new authors, and joined the “Red Hat Society,” a club of women with the same interests.
NEWS FROM YOUR ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

- Under the leadership of Association President Alice Hoatland ‘70 our Board of Directors has been quite active. Alice’s suggestion to form a long range planning committee under the direction of former board member and past President Dick Paulino ’61 was readily accepted. The committee worked hard and made valuable recommendations to the board. For more information, please see the separate article Alumni Association Plans For Next Three Years.

- Eighteen students, alumni, and community members helped the Association with its annual phon-a-thon. And, we are happy to say, most graduates we reached welcomed our calls and agreed to be called again next year.

- Our goal for the 2005-2006 (September 2005 through August 2006) alumni appeal was $63,000. As of end of July, we were close to the goal. Thank you!

- Regular co-sponsorships and participation included: Family Fun Day in February Job Readiness and Education Fair in March Alumni scholarships in April Gettysburg trip in April Alumni awards recognition in May Commencement reception in May Alumni commencement awards in May New York City trip in July Freshmen student orientations (Auburn and Fulton campuses) in August

- Four new initiatives include:
  1. Start-up pledge of $7,500 for Foundation “mini campaign” for matching SUNY gifts in support of capital projects, leading to a total of $800,000 in raised and matching funds for projects in the College’s cafeteria, bookstore, Spartan Hall and other facilities
  2. Welcome greeting to graduating students during commencement ceremonies by the ACC/CCC Alumni Association President. This year’s greeting was given by now outgoing President Alice Hoatland ’70.
  3. The Alumni Association sponsored (and will sponsor in the future) a special scholarship breakfast on Cayuga’s Accepted Student Day. This event helps the College with enrollment in its Honors Program.
  4. The Board of Directors approved the sponsorship of one of nine holes of a Cayuga County Legislature approved community project, the construction of an 18-hole disc golf course at Emerson Park. The first nine holes were constructed during the summer so that play could begin. If you have never played disc golf (much like traditional golf but with a flying disc or Frisbee) give it a try!

The Alumni Association was represented at a special Club Appreciation Banquet; the annual Accounting Banquet enjoyed by former, graduating and current accounting students; and the festive Pinning Ceremony for newly graduating nurses.

- Upcoming events and sponsorships
  ✓ Annual Meeting on Tuesday, September 12, 7 p.m., in the College’s boardroom. All alumni are invited to attend.
  ✓ Boston weekend September 23 and 24 - call the Alumni Office at 315-255-1743 for specifics.
  ✓ Antique Appraisal Day, Sunday, October 22, Noon to 5:30 p.m. - Student Lounge, Auburn campus.
  ✓ Holiday trip to New York City (including the Christmas show at Rockefeller Center), Saturday, November 11, all day - call the office for specifics.
  ✓ Holiday Craft Show, December 2 and 3 - no food court due to construction in that area.
  ✓ Cookies Plus Holiday Get-Together, Thursday, December 7, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., front entrance conference room.
  ✓ December Recognition Reception for students who finished their coursework ahead of time, scheduled for Friday, December 15, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m., student lounge - by invitation only.
  ✓ Year 2007 Family Fun Day: Sunday, February 4 - call the Alumni Office for specifics.

Graduating Nurse, Norma A. Olcott, received the Herbert P. Ward Memorial Award at the Pinning Ceremony for newly graduating nurses. Norma is pictured above with her aunt and uncle, Eleanor and Ed Draper, who were visiting from Florida.

Association President Alice Hoatland and Vice President John Lamphere are just about ready to speak at the Alumni Awards Brunch in May.

Director of Nursing Education, Vicki Condi, places pins on newly graduating nurses during the traditional Pinning Ceremony.

Alumni News Notes
1964
Sharon L. (Goodale) Appleton of Constancia retired in June 2006 from Central Square Central Schools after 39½ years of teaching.

Jon W. Behnke lives in Laytonville, Calif., and is the owner/realtor of Hometown Realty.

Jill (Baldwin) Clifford of Auburn is the second shift coordinator at Auburn Memorial Hospital Laboratory.

Donna L. (Goodwin) Glowacki lives in Weedsport and works for the Weedsport Elementary School.

Frederick S. Grant of Kansas City works for the Missouri Employers Mutual Insurance Company.

Mary C. (LaRose) Warter of Auburn works for Laboratory Alliance of Central New York.

1966
Thaddeus R. Bachta lives in Carrollton, Texas with his wife, Barbara. They have two children – Lisa and Christopher, and grandchildren – Sara (4) and Nicholas (7). Thaddeus is retired from IBM.

William Babyszak is alive and well in Auburn.

Dennis M. Brewer of Canandaigua works for the town of Canandaigua Parks and Recreation Department.

Mitchell R. Ross lives in Coram with wife Kathy and retired after 12 years as the Newfield High School principal. They have four grown children together and enjoy sharing time living on Long Island and the outer banks of North Carolina.

James and Daria (Beresiwsky) Shaw live in Rochester. They have three grandchildren and are anxiously awaiting their fourth.

1967
Dorothy C. Benedict lives in Elbridge and is a retired teacher. She enjoyed an amazing trip traveling through Italy, including Sicily, in September 2005. “The Sistine Chapel blew me away as well as being five feet from Pope Benedict XVI in his Pope Mobile.”

Marsha A. Buckingham of Auburn retired December 29, 2005 from the Auburn Police Department.

Nancy (Blanchard ’67/’88) Soules lives in Wolcott and works at the Butler Correctional Facility in Red Creek.
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PLANS FOR NEXT THREE YEARS

Under the leadership of outgoing Alumni Association President Alice Hoatland ’70 a special long range planning committee was formed. Participating members and guests included Richard Paulino ’61 as the facilitator of the group, Roberta Bellnier ’89, Lori Cochran ’05, Alice Hoatland ’70, Jeff Hoffman, Laura Harkins ’94, Russ Harkins ’73, Melanie Jackson ’03, John Lamphere ’74, Cathleen McColgin ’86, Jerry Slater ’78, Linda Townsend, J.D. ’74, and Elisabeth Hurley.

The committee was charged to come up with ideas and/or projects that could be implemented over the next one to three years. It was also charged with giving an overview of the present programs of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association.

The group came to the conclusion that the current plan with numerous activities and the size of a one full-time and one part-time staff and active board of directors is highly thought of. Some programs such as the Holiday Craft Show participation, antique appraisal days, book grants, sponsorship of the December Recognition Reception, the annual Family Fun Day, or the often applauded biannual alumni newsletter were especially mentioned as highly positive. Suggestions were made to even enhance some of the programs presently in place.

In putting together a total of six recommendations to the board of directors, the committee not only took into consideration all present programs and services but also the Alumni Association’s mission of serving alumni, the college community (mainly students) and the community at large. This consideration added to its initial “brainstorming session” and gave the basis for the following recommendations:

**Alumni Outreach**
- Broaden the connection of new graduates to the Alumni Association
- Newly established: Alumni Association President Alice Hoatland welcomed graduating students during the 2006 commencement ceremonies. We hope that commencement greetings from Association presidents will become a tradition at Cayuga.
- Increase Fulton campus outreach

**Community**
- Expand community involvement
- Initiate new lecture series for students and the community

**Dinner Dance**
- Plan an elegant alumni dinner dance

**Financial Aid for Students**
- Create an emergency fund for students
- Increase scholarships and book grants

**Hall or Wall of Fame**
- Consider a Hall or Wall of Fame for eminent alumni

**Student Outreach**
- Collaborate with Admissions Department in regard to high school outreach, student enrollment and related events
- Recently authorized: The ACC/CCC Alumni Association board of directors approved to sponsor the Scholarship Breakfast at Cayuga’s Accepted Student Day on an annual basis. The Association’s first sponsorship of this special event took place last spring.
- Help to heighten student involvement with alumni career network

The ACC/CCC Alumni Association board of directors received these six recommendations together with a detailed list of well-researched ideas for all of the above recommendation topics. The board unanimously accepted the committee’s recommendations. Sub-committees for each proposed suggestion have been formed and will be hard at work to make these new and enhanced ideas a reality over the next three years.

An especially big THANK YOU goes to Dick Paulino for being such an effective facilitator. It was Dick who kept all of us focused and on track. We met over a period of three and a half months and, together with Dick, found the exercise very rewarding as it gave us a sense of strong understanding of the scope and importance of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association and its mission. It also made us proud to be part of the process to enhance the image and growth of our fine institution and its past and current students.

Alumni Appeal Vocabulary

Because you asked, we’ll provide you with a brief glossary and explanation of alumni-appeal-related lingo. Thank you for your past, present, and future support!

**Annual Alumni Appeal**
The Auburn/Cayuga Community College Alumni Association’s fiscal year goes from September to August. The annual alumni appeal runs parallel with the fiscal year i.e., it also goes from September to August. A letter for the 2006-2007 alumni appeal will reach you shortly, and we hope for your kind and generous support. As you know, the written invitation to support the College is usually followed up with our spring phon-a-thon i.e., a telephonic follow-up.

**Pledge**
Our annual phon-a-thon is conducted by Cayuga students, alumni, and friends of the College. Many of our alumni pledge an affordable amount to our callers. The phon-a-thon pledge is a pledge in its simplest form. It stands for a promise to donate a certain dollar amount toward the annual fund or, in some cases, to an endowed fund. A pledge confirmation is immediately sent to the alum who made the pledge, and the promised amount is usually due within three weeks. Thank you for making and honoring your pledge!

**Alumni Participation Rate of Giving**
The participation rate of giving is equal to the number of alumni who give to Cayuga Community College (formerly Auburn Community College) during the course of a year. The rate, usually given as percentage, is based on the number of alumni donors divided by the number of active alumni (graduates for whom the College has a valid address). The formula is the national standard approved by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education and the Council for Aid to Education. We are proud to report that Cayuga has an average alumni participation rate of about 8%, one percent higher than the national average for public colleges.

**Employer Matches**
Are you aware that your employer may match your gift to Cayuga? Hundreds of companies, their divisions, subsidiaries or affiliates have a matching gift policy that would match your gift to Cayuga Community College. They match gifts from employees and often from directors, retirees and their spouses. Some very generous companies match on a $1 for $1 ratio or even better. Ask in your human resources department if your company matches your gift and double your donor dollars!
YEAR 2006 ALUMNI AWARDS RECIPIENTS

Jason J. Roche ‘88

Jason Roche followed his telecommunications and liberal arts degrees from Cayuga with bachelor and master’s degrees from SUNY Geneseo and Syracuse University. In 2003, Jason graduated from the Dov S-S Simens “Hollywood Film School,” a two-day seminar on producing, directing and writing films. Jason currently holds the position of Assistant Professor of English/Communication at Le Moyne College. He teaches courses in communication, academic advising, designing curriculum tracks for video production, audio production, and mass communication. While teaching as an adjunct professor at Cayuga Community College, Jason served as the Telecommunications Department Coordinator and as faculty adviser to WDN-FM and the Cayuga student newspaper Collegian. He sponsored and hosted a karate tournament to benefit the Radio and Television Guild. Jason continues to keep very close relationships with Cayuga – with CCC professors, colleagues and students. He is still in touch with former CCC students, always willing to offer help or, for instance, write letters of recommendations for them.

For a total of nine years, Jason worked as a broadcast news reporter, often covering civic and political functions and interviewing local and national leaders. Due to space limitations, his many professional accomplishments and honors cannot be listed except for a few:

- Jason is the recipient of the Edward R. Murrow National Award for Overall Excellence as part of WSYR’s news team (2005).
- Received several Telly awards, among them one for television coverage of the Empire State Games (2001). He won the Le Moyne College Dean’s Award for Educating for Justice in the Arts and Sciences Classroom (2003), and won fourth place in the Broadcast Education Association’s Broadcast and Internet Radio Division’s academic paper contest for Voicing Concern: An Analysis of Gender in Radio Advertisements (2005).

Jason also received the Award of Distinction for his One Survivor’s Walk documentary in 2006. Survivor’s Walk is a half-hour video documentary about a friend who is battling cancer and about the American Cancer Society’s Relay For Life fundraiser. The video is being used by the American Cancer Society to promote Relay For Life events in Central New York. It is for his impressive professional achievements, his wonderful service to help others, and for his continuing commitment to Cayuga Community College that Jason Roche was honored with the 2006 ACC/CCC Alumni Association Award.

Karen E. Merritt ’77

Karen Merritt followed her degree from Cayuga Community College with a Bachelor of Arts degree from SUNY Oswego. Karen is a credit to the College, the ACC/CCC Alumni Association, and to the Auburn community. She continuously promotes the College both at work and out in the public. As part-time Career Services Assistant at Cayuga she is the liaison between off-campus employers and the director of placement and, as such, busily collects information on job opportunities for current and graduating students.

Karen has been with the ACC/CCC Alumni Association Board of Directors since 1992, with the exception of a two-year hiatus. She served as president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. Currently Karen is the Alumni Association’s chair of the travel committee for alumni trips, a program she was instrumental in developing years ago.

Karen is devoted to the College and the Alumni Association and has actively served on the Nominating, Folk Art Festival, December Recognition Reception, Antique Appraisal, Memorial Day, Football Concessions, Adopt-A-Highway, and the Alumni Director Search committees. Often she served on committees in a leadership role. In addition, Karen frequently donates her flower arrangement talents to make Alumni Association events as special as they deserve to be.

Karen is as deeply committed to mental health issues as she is to the College. She has served on the Board of Directors of Unity House of Cayuga County, “a human service agency that works with individuals for the purpose of achieving their goals,” since 1993. She serves as board president and chairperson of the Special Incident Review Committee, ensuring consumers’ safety.

Unity House elected Karen “Board Member of the Year” in 1995 and presented her with the 25th Silver Anniversary “Silver Dollar Award” for exemplary service in 2002.

This busy mother of teens juggles work and involvement with two very active boards with public service and civic functions. Karen is a member of the 2000 Leadership Cayuga class and currently Leadership Cayuga’s class liaison. She decorated and rode on the CCC float for the Cayuga County Bicentennial and received the Champion for Life Recognition for donating six pints of blood in one year.

It was for her exemplary commitment to the College and the ACC/CCC Alumni Association and for her passionate community service that Karen Merritt was recognized with the 2006 ACC/CCC Alumni Association Award.
YEAR 2006 ALUMNI AWARDS RECIPIENTS...continued

Deborah L. Purcell '98

Debbi graduated from Cayuga with a dual degree in Math and Science (1998) and Liberal Arts (1999) and has been employed at the College since 1999. She is known as a campus leader, role model and mentor to support staff and students who frequent the Alumni Office. Through her shared work in the Campus Services and Alumni offices and particularly through her giving personality she is known and liked throughout the campus community.

Debbi’s willingness to go the extra mile for students, colleagues and alumni is as exemplary as her work ethic. She is a caring and trustworthy individual who is not afraid to take initiative to get a task completed. She possesses the innate ability to wear many hats and to immediately establish a comfortable yet professional rapport with clients of both of the offices she works in. Being the front office person in the Alumni Office, Debbi often finds occasion to help and nurture behind the scenes. As her nominator so rightly pointed out, she is the “sincere ear” that often greets a troubled student needing the extra assurance that his or her Cayuga experience will be positive and successful. It is not unusual that she puts everything on hold to help a student with a math problem or to help someone sort through a difficult personal situation.

Debbi’s volunteer accomplishments for the College and the Alumni Association are impressive. She worked concession booths at Cayuga football games, baked cookies for the Alumni Holiday Open House, participated in the Adopt-A-Highway project, and gave much appreciated “hands-on” help at the Alumni Association’s Memorial Day and Holiday Craft fair events.

Outside of the College Debbi is an active participant in a community-wide Halloween charity fundraiser. Since 2002, she and her family build sets, sell tickets, and don scare costumes to entertain and “scare” the visitors. The actual event is hosted for three consecutive October weekends but requires many extra volunteer hours for planning and implementation.

Debbi’s willingness to do more than is expected of her helped to bring to fruition the two alumni bake books published in memory of the Association’s successful holiday open houses. It is for her established record of achievement, motivation, professional growth and for her so obvious passion for Cayuga, its alumni and future alumni that Debbi Purcell was honored with the 2006 ACC/CCC Alumni Association Award.

Frederick P. Falsey ’76

Frederick Falsey followed his A.S. degree in Math and Science with a Bachelor of Science degree from SUNY Geneseo. Fred Falsey has been a board member volunteer for over nine years and, after a hiatus of one year, again since September 2005. He is the kind of member every organization dreams of having i.e., he is always there when needed ... as president, committee member or chair, the travel committee’s “backbone” and initiator of many exciting trips, and a most active volunteer for College, Foundation, and Alumni Association events.

In spite of his busy professional life as Sanitary Chemist with the Onondaga County Department of Water Environment Protection and his unfailing volunteer commitment to the ACC/CCC Alumni Association and Cayuga Community College, Fred manages to be an Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America. He has been an active volunteer for the Mylces H. Keogh Memorial Great Race marking the trails, guiding the participants, and hydrating the athletes for more than 20 years.

Fred Falsey’s commitment to the College community is self-evident. After his long service on behalf of alumni and future alumni, he has once again spontaneously committed to serve on the Association’s new long range planning subcommittees to connect new graduates of the Auburn and Fulton campuses to the Association and, through it, to the College.

Not enough can be said about Fred’s impromptu willingness to help. Regardless if he has to give up an hour, a day or a weekend of his free time, he does it willingly and unfailingly. Most of the Alumni Association’s trip participants - alumni, community members, students, faculty and staff - know him as the kind of leader who always has the interest of everyone else at heart first.

It was for his strong commitment to Cayuga Community College and to the mission of the Auburn/Cayuga Community College Alumni Association (to promote and enhance relations among the alumni, the College community, and the community at large) that Fred Falsey was bestowed with the 2006 ACC/CCC Alumni Association Award.

Congratulations and KUDOS to Fred Falsey, Karen Merritt, Debbi Purcell, and Jason Roche!

Please note:

If you would like to nominate a deserving Auburn or Cayuga Community College graduate for next year, please request the nomination form prior to the March 31, 2007 deadline.

Meanwhile try to collect as much information as possible about your nominee’s job-related accomplishments, awards and honors, additional degrees earned, vocational and/or artistic achievements, volunteer service, participation in public service organizations, involvement in civic functions, any help provided to Cayuga Community College, the CCCC Foundation, or the ACC/CCC Alumni Association, and any qualities which are symbolic to the mission of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association to promote and enhance relations among the alumni, the College community, and the community-at-large.

And for anyone who submitted nominations this year and whose nominee was not selected, please try again! Provide additional information in regard to the above and make your nominee sound as good on paper as he or she really is!

Good luck to alumni awards nominators and nominees in 2007!

Alumni News Notes

1971

Michael D. Pittman lives in Morristown, Tenn., with his wife, Sandra, and is the proprietor of Pittman Computer Services.

Martin A. Reed of Pennsylvanprovides informs us that his farming hobby has expanded to "Hay Nature's Way," packaging hay for resale in pet food stores. They have three grandchildren and are expecting the fourth in the fall of 2006. In his spare time, Martin works for the Oswego County Energy Recovery Facility.

Susan P. (Close) 71/83

Talamo lives in Auburn with her husband, Jim. Susan works for Radiant Systems, Inc., and Jim works for Baldor Electric of NY-Penn.

Kathleen H. (Daum) Zicari lives in Fairport and is employed by Paychex, Inc.

1972

Virginia F. Androsko of Auburn is an RN at Auburn Correctional Facility and owns a polar fleece business called "Frog Prints."

Vance Coons lives in Pennsylvanprovides with his wife, Dianna. Vance is an anesthesiologist for Community General Hospital and plans to retire in six years. When Vance was in the service, he attended x-ray school and earned his anesthetist degree after his tour.

Ann B. Oaks of Oaks Corners is an associate professor of mathematics emeritus and interim director of Center for Teaching and Learning at Hobart and William Smith Colleges.

Kenneth S. Park lives in Allegany with his wife, Lorna, and is the district manager for the Social Security Administration in Olean.

1973

Peggy (Brewer) Bull lives in Ormond Beach, Florida. Her son graduated from high school and plans to attend college, and is considering his college choices.

Russell and Laura Harkins (Phillips' 94) Harkins live in Auburn. Russ is the manager of Steve & Barry's University Sportswear Store at the Fingerlakes Mall. He and Laura will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary this year.

William J. Hockey of Auburn works for Welch Allyn.
Alumni News Notes

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Anthony Rosata (’73/’82) of Geneseo, Ill., has a grandson, Nicholas (3), and is expecting another this year.

1973
Thomas M. and Lynda (Yunker ’70) Ryan live in Oswego. Thomas is a retired police chief and an assistant professor of criminal justice at Utica College and Syracuse University. Lynda is an elementary school teacher.

Maurice St. Germain Jr. lives in Oswego and works for Constellation Energy Group. His youngest son, Todd, got married in July, and his oldest son, Brad, is completing his fourth year teaching high school math in the Delta Region of Greenville, Miss. Brad started his teaching career in Teach for America and gave two additional years.

Robert Sloan of Auburn is retiring from the Auburn Fire Department after 30 years of service.

Kathleen T. (Bellavio) Snow lives in Newark with husband Jeff. They are now empty nesters, as all three kids are married and out of the house. Kathleen is a supervisor in the LOTE Department of Newark Central School, and Jeff is director of technical education at Keuka College.

Maryanne (Kustyn) Southgate lives in Slingerlands, NY. Her son, Garrett Koeppicas, graduated in May 2006 from the School of Visual Arts in NYC with a degree in animation.

1974
Carl Anderson lives in Kenner, La. Carl tells us everyone is still recovering in Louisiana and fortunately he was not displaced as a result of the storm.

Michael P. Buza of Syracuse received a BS from Oswego State University after graduation from Auburn Community College and worked at a local manufacturing company in numerous positions, most recent being director of quality systems. He earned an MBA from Le Moyne College in 2003 and started a quality consulting company in 2006.

Joseph A. and Elaine (Holdrege ’74/’75) Dec live in Auburn.

COLLEGE NEWS

Campus Facilities/Services
Since the spring of this year, the Auburn campus theatre, bookstore and cafeteria are under construction. The bookstore is moving downstairs next to the cafeteria. The serving and dining area will be completely remodeled and expanded to create a brand new student space for socializing, dining and purchasing books and other related items. The College’s theatre will also be getting a facelift with new seating and cosmetic renovations. The brand new Cayuga Café and bookstore and theatre are expected to be ready for use in January 2007.

Management Information System
The College is implementing a new management information system that will allow students enhanced services such as online course registration and online tuition payment. The new system will be up and running by spring 2008.

Cayuga Concentrations Tailor Degree Programs to Student Interests
Cayuga Concentrations are optional course sequences that enable students to focus on a particular area of interest while completing degree and transfer requirements. With six recent additions to its slate of concentrations, the College now offers these specialized sequences in its liberal arts, broadcasting, and studio art and design degree programs.

Liberal arts students can choose from biology, chemistry, geology, psychology, criminal justice, early childhood, literature, and writing. For Radio/TV broadcasting students, concentrations are offered in video production, broadcast journalism, electronic publishing, and digital/interactive media. Studio art and design students can focus on fine arts, graphic design, textile design, photography, printmaking, or ceramics. For students seeking an enhanced academic challenge along with a special-interest focus, Cayuga’s Honors option (now available at the Fulton Campus as well as Auburn) features advanced coursework and in-depth seminars and can be paired with any of the liberal arts concentrations. Call the Admissions Department for specifics.

Keuka College Offers Courses on the Auburn Campus
For those students who wish to pursue a bachelor’s degree in business or criminal justice, Keuka College offers courses on the Auburn campus.

Online Study
Online study keeps growing with more course offerings than ever. Sunday classes in traditional format and accelerated are helping the working adult to complete a degree.

Fast Forward Project
High achievers in high school can complete their CCC liberal arts degree in one year through the Fast Forward liberal arts program. Special advisement and proper planning can get a high school graduate with Accelerated Process/College credits on to their way to a four-year college in one year, thus, saving tuition, room and board costs to use later on. Students can take college-level courses in their own high schools through the College’s Cayuga Advantage program. On completion of five college-level courses and subsequent graduation, candidates will be able to enroll full time for one year in CCC’s liberal arts degree program, picking up several more courses during the College’s January and summer breaks. The accumulated credits will lead to associates’ degrees. Students who coordinate their course selection with their intended transfer school will be allowed to enroll as juniors in four-year colleges or universities.

Cayuga Offers Free Wireless Network
A laptop or notebook computer with a wireless network adapter is all that’s needed to connect to the Internet at the Auburn campus of Cayuga Community College. Open Cayuga, a wireless network funded by the student technology fee, offers free use of the Internet in designated areas for students, faculty, staff, and visitors. A computer with a wireless adapter will automatically offer the option to go online via OpenCayuga, if it’s operating in one of the College’s wireless zones or WiFi hot spots. These are located in the library, Spartan Hall cafeteria, and main building lobby areas.

This wireless DSL Internet connection, a free service for the convenience of users, is unsecured and unencrypted. The College’s printers are not connected to the network, and it is not supported by data center or computer lab services. Users should maintain their own virus protection and software firewalls, as they would with a plug-in Internet connection. Use of the network is not permitted for commercial or inappropriate purposes, and OpenCayuga may be monitored or restricted by the College.

Fulton Campus’ Non-Traditional Career Day Speakers left to right: Shawn Connery ’91, Christine Lindsey, Sgt. Robin L. Palmer, Lisa Chelenza ’82, and Brian Pratt ’06

More News
- A Non-Traditional Career Day took place last spring at the Fulton campus. Speakers were Shawn Connery ’91 - Early Childhood Education; Christine Lindsey - Business Administration; Sgt. Robin L. Palmer - Criminal Justice; Lisa Chelenza ’92 - Telecommunications; and Brian Pratt ’06 - Nursing.
An exhibit of student artworks by Cayuga Community College students was held at the Fulton campus. The show also featured photography by Phoenix High School students who are earning college credits in the Cayuga (CC) Advantage program for high school students. The musical interlude was provided by the Zen Lounge Jazz Trio, featuring Cayuga music instructor Mike Cortese and student musicians Colin Drayer and Jennifer Sea. The event was free and open to the public.

The Professional Growth and Scholarship Committee (Fulton campus) sponsored Forensic Science in the 21st Century, a faculty seminar with Ray Van Orden, a forensic scientist for over 15 years, currently the technical lead of the Forensic Chemistry Center for Forensic Sciences and an adjunct instructor at the Fulton campus. As the Collegian mentioned in its May 1, 2006 issue, Ray Van Orden “discussed the ways that Forensic Science has changed over the years, especially in the advent of DNA technology.” He also spoke about general requirements for entering the field, the various disciplines within Forensic Science, and accreditation standards and duties of forensic laboratories. Students, faculty and staff attended the seminar.

A Daniel Labelle Artist-In-Residence Grant and the CCCC Foundation supported lecture and classroom collaborative assignments with students by Frank Cammuso, political cartoonist for The Post Standard (The Syracuse Newspapers). The event was sponsored by Studio Art + Design and History faculty members.

The Humanities Division, CCCC Foundation, Inc., and Poets & Writers, Inc. sponsored a poetry reading and discussion by visiting writer David Budbill, a nationally known poet, playwright and author. The event was free and open to the public. The prolific writer who penned six books of poetry and eight plays and authored a novel, a collection of short stories, a picture book for children, dozens of essays, introductions, speeches, book reviews and the libretto for an opera, shared his enthusiasm for poetry and music during his residency at Cayuga. He gave class presentations in Auburn and Fulton.

A free concert by the a cappella quartet Sons of Pitches was held in the Cayuga Community College theatre in the early spring and just before construction in the theatre began. Noted for spectacular harmonies and superstar showmanship, the all-male foursome has appeared with Rascal Flatts, Hootie and the Blowfish, the Temptations, and open to the public. The event was sponsored by the Cayuga County Community College Foundation.

Cayuga held its 36th Annual Appreciation Banquet recognizing co-curricular activities. The following awards were presented during the banquet: Outstanding Club Service Award; Senate Faculty Excellence Award; Student Recognition Award; Nicole C. Judwae Achievement Award; and Leadership Award for Excellence in Co- curricular Activities. (The “Kudos” article lists the recipients.) Individual club members were recognized by their club advisors and students whose names appear in Who’s Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges were individually identified.

Bourke Memorial Library offered a presentation by and conversation with Shona Falconer, a former British diplomat who spoke on The Art of Negotiation from Families to Nations. Many current world situations and cultural differences among nations and people were addressed. Ms. Falconer often spoke from her own experiences gained through her postings in British Embassies in Finland, Nigeria, Pakistan and Nicaragua.

Directed by Professor Janet Correll and accompanied by Sally Bailey, Cayuga’s 26-member College Singers treated the community to a wonderful spring program featuring hymns and songs ranging from “Panis Angelicus” and “Amazing Grace” to “The Water Is Wide” and “That’s What the Devil Said.” The event was held at Willard Chapel in Auburn. Student soloists were Brooke Czornig (soprano) and Brian Henry (tenor) of Auburn; Jaynai Cummings (soprano), Bronx; Kathleen Kanalley (soprano), Moravia; Joe Pine (baritone), Port Byron; and Kate Smithler (piano, soprano), Seneca Falls. Volunteer donations benefited Westminster Manor, a residential housing facility for the elderly, and the historic Willard Chapel.

Dr. Dennis Golladay, president of Cayuga Community College, was appointed to the board of directors of the State University of New York Research Foundation. A private, nonprofit educational corporation, the Research Foundation coordinates administrative assistance, intellectual property protection, and philanthropic support for research across the 64 SUNY campuses statewide. Serving from May 2006 through December 2007, Dr. Golladay joined 16 other board members representing business and industry, research, and campus and SUNY administration.

Mary Kouthoofd LPN, MA, a psychology instructor at Cayuga’s Fulton campus, addressed spring 2006 graduates of the Oswego County BOCES nursing program last June. Her keynote speech, “The Benefits of a Nursing Career and the Ability to Accelerate,” shared her perspective as a licensed practical nurse and as one of the Cayuga faculty who assist in teaching the BOCES nursing program. The graduation ceremony was held at the Oswego County BOCES in Mexico, NY.

English Professor Howard Nelson read and talked about his book Earth, My Likeness: Nature Poetry of Walt Whitman in a faculty enrichment seminar sponsored by the Faculty Association’s Professional Growth and Scholarship Committee.
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1978
Patricia A. (Falsey) Cuff of Auburn works for the Cayuga County Health and Human Services Department.

Grace (Fuller) King lives in Media, Pa., and works for the Media Providence Friends School. Grace sends congratulations to Judy Campanella for her dedication to the Alumni Association Board and praises the Visions and Partnership newsletter for keeping her up to date on the college.

Deborah (Keenly) Truex of Port Byron owns an Alpaca farm called Haven Farm. She and her husband have seven alpacas with two more on the way.

Joseph M. Walsh of Syracuse is the director of development and marketing for Leadership of Greater Syracuse.

1979
Marion L. Crull (’79/’97) of Seneca Falls has worked at Goulds Pumps for more than 27 years.

1980
Vincent Carnevale of Seneca Falls credits his AAS degree in Business Administration from Cayuga as a major factor in his success as a full-time purchasing manager and most recently, as sole proprietor of Bincenzo. Vincent specializes in refinishing hardwood floor and re-facing cabinetry. His business is located in Seneca Falls servicing the Finger Lakes region.

1981
Florence Matty of Auburn retired after 25 years with the NYS Department of Corrections.

Timothy F. Schaffer of Key West, Fla., retired after 24 years in law enforcement and is now the superintendent of the Monroe Regional Juvenile Detention Center in Key West.

1982
Christopher M. Beavers lives in Syracuse. His son Jacob was married on September 15, 1999.

Sharon K. (Sorrentino) Hogan lives in Geneva and is a NYS licensed property and casualty insurance broker.

1983
Robert A. Padula of Auburn is the CNY sales manager for First Niagara Bank.

KUDOS!
Alumni Achievements

- Alumna Kara Blumrick ’05 recently won the Jane E. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship.

- Two 2005 Cayuga graduates were named by the State University of New York to its Phi Theta Kappa All-New York Academic Teams. James Casasanta of Fleming, a former student at the Auburn campus, was named to the Second All-New York Academic Team. Ellen Jackson, a former Fulton campus student, was named to the Third All-New York Academic Team. Phi Theta Kappa is the international honor society for two-year colleges. Two Fulton Campus staff members, PTK Advisor Judith Campanella ’78 and Learning Skills Specialist Patricia McCurdy, joined the students and College President Dr. Dennis Golladay at a SUNY awards luncheon held in Albany.

- Alumnus John Hardy ’73 was one of three people with local roots honored by the Auburn-Cayuga branch of the NAACP for making the world a better place. The recognition was given at NAACP’s annual Freedom Fund banquet a few months ago.

- ACC alumnus Donald Martin ’58, a retired Moravia school teacher, published Following the Drum, a 308-page book that chronicles the activities of the 75th New York Volunteer Infantry Regiment in the Civil War. History fans and Civil War buffs, check out this读! For more information, refer to the separate “Book Corner” article.

- Retired Professor and current Mathematics/Computer Lecturer Donald Fama reported with joy on one of his former Cayuga Community College students. He was happy to read a newspaper announcement that Amanda Ruth Senft ’98 graduated from Cornell University and John Hopkins University and is currently a Ph.D. candidate at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, where she is studying botany and ecology. Congratulations, Amanda, and best wishes for your upcoming wedding!

- Alumnus Joseph Siracusa ’77 directed William Shakespeare’s Othello “Requiem for Desdemona” starring Sean McLeod as Othello at the Civic Center. Joey wrote and directed the Othello. He also produced and directed the musical performance of this enchanting piece.

Student Achievements

- Danielle Brewer, Viktoria Pennington, Greg Sloan, and Gregory Waldron were presented with a special Student Recognition Award for their active involvement with student activities.

- Eric Crimm, Daniel Potter, Toni Scollan, and Haley Watts received the Nicole C. Judware Award, given in memory of the late Nicole Judware to students who made a difference in many areas at Cayuga Community College. Nicole herself was a very special student who lost her life in an automobile accident. While at Cayuga, she touched the hearts of many and was actively involved in the life of the College.

- Toni Scollan of Auburn, NY, and Dean Stanic of Johannesburg, South Africa, received the 2006 SUNY Chancellor’s Scholar-Athlete Award. This award recognizes a combination of outstanding academic excellence and outstanding athletic achievement. Toni was a 2005 first team NJCAA All-American in women’s lacrosse. Dean was named a 2005 first team NJCAA All-American in men’s soccer.

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KUDOS!...continued

Faculty and Staff Achievements

- Three colleagues at CCC were recognized with the SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Excellence. Fulton Campus Librarian Judy Campanella ‘78 - Excellence in Librarianship; Assistant Professor of Science Susan Gilmore - Excellence in Teaching; and Computer Programmer/Data Center Norman Holland ‘82 - Excellence in Professional Service.

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KUDOS TO ALL!

Patricia Fiorillo-Bullock, one of this year’s J. Richard Mahlstedt Memorial Award winners, congratulates Danielle Brewer (right) on all her academic achievements.

- The following students were named to the recent edition of Who’s Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges: Elaine Angell, Nathan Benson, Carol Box, Danielle Brewer, Stacey Clark, Patricia Delaney, Aaron Dowd, Kelly Dudden, Corbett Duncan, David Edmonds, Tiffany Edwards, Rebecca Goodman, Gretchen Gray, Lexie Hilliard, Christopher Hoalcraft, Gabe Horvat, Joshua Howard, Beth Martin, Timothy Meyers, Norma Olcott, Kristen Paczkowski, Corrine Parlett, Tyler Peryea, Brian Pratt, Rebecca Reese, Jessie Reich, April Ringwood, Antonia Scollan, Jason Smith, Amanda Turner, Daniel Vitale, Zachariah Wasilenko, Torey Watson, Haley Watts, Debora Wehunt, Christopher Wiley, and Melissa Wise.

Campus Clubs and Organizations

- The Student Government Office recognized the Auburn student clubs Early Childhood and IMPACT (Intelligent Minds Promote And Create Togetherness) as well as the Fulton Literary Club with the Outstanding Club Award.

IMPACT Club Members: (Front L to R): Joseph Wahl, Jamie Rizzo, Beth Lupien (Back L to R): Bert Yskamp, Elisabeth Hurley, Kevin Colvin, Tyler Roof, Amy Miles, Alex Meal, Sharon Carpenter, and Teresha Duncan

- Auburn and Fulton campus clubs and organizations deserve a special KUDOS for hosting the College’s first annual Earth Day Festival. The community was invited to this free event, and the following programs and activities were offered:
  - Presentation on Methane Digester by USDA spokesperson
  - Nature Trail Clean Sweep (student-organized clean up of the nature trails)
  - Hybrid car demonstration & Medieval Society demonstration
  - Bass Pro Shop Camping Safety Tips demonstration
  - Organic foods & Recycling information tables
  - Flower seed give-a-ways & Face painting
  - Caricaturist, Massage therapy & Music provided by a DJ
  - Plenty of veggie burgers and other healthy treats

Fall/Winter 2006
Nancy (DeFurio) Barth, a 1970 graduate of then Auburn Community College, worked at her alma mater for 29 years, the first year as student worker for the Data Center. After her graduation, Nancy was employed at the Data Center from 1970 to 1973. After taking time off from work to be a stay-at-home mom, Nancy returned to work at Cayuga in 1981. From that time until 1994 she was employed as data control clerk in CCC’s Data Center and from 1994 to her retirement in 2006 as account clerk typist in the Financial Aid Office. It was there that she was and is known as a most gracious contact to many of Cayuga’s current and former students who needed assistance with financial aid matters. No wonder she received Cayuga’s Clerical Excellence Award (in 2001) and the Educational Support Staff Excellence Award (in 2005)! Nancy has been a volunteer at CCC’s Admissions Booth at the New York State Fair and been part of the college-wide volunteer participation with the Salvation Army Kettle Campaign. Always most courteous and professional, Nancy was a terrific role model to many.

Kris Duffy, Cayuga’s former dean of enrollment management, has accepted a position at Onondaga Community College as Associate Vice President of Enrollment Management. This is a tremendous opportunity for Kris and we wish her well. Her wonderful and positive work ethic as a dean and faculty as an instructor and years of work has left an important legacy. Her permanent contribution to the College was her ability to make everyone - students, faculty and staff alike - understand that enrollment management is a comprehensive way of recruiting, admitting, and retaining students. Taking this comprehensive way into consideration, she created the enrollment management council to resolve issues involving all who deal with students from the admissions process going paperless at one point by using document imaging, this too can be listed with her achievements. And under her marketing tutelage and a wonderful publications team, energy and creativity could be seen on and off campus. Kris Duffy in short: outstanding contributions, extraordinary presence, great professionalism and, as Athletics Director Peter Liddell states, “… good communication and staunch support of the College and athletics…!”

Kathleen Long was the reference/instruction librarian at Cayuga where she worked for 37 years. Kathy shared with her colleagues that her many years at the College “have been an invaluable period of learning and professional development.” Kathy says that she “arrived as a novice” and that her growth is due to working with inspiring administrators, collaborating with top-notch faculty and “of working with many students who were challenging and appreciative.” Kathy remembers that her best years were when she was working with Professor Brunell. “I am very thankful for the opportunity to have ‘worked with a great group of men who helped make the job fun and at the same time managed to get it done.’” Now Joan is taking the next leg of her journey. She is currently in the process of moving to Rochester to further her own business. Even though she already misses her friends at Cayuga, she looks forward to her new adventure with enthusiasm. If you are interested to learn more, visit Joan at her website http://kjoanstafford.younglivingworld.com.

Joan Stafford worked for 16 years in the College’s maintenance/custodial department. She remembers that at the time of her hiring, CCC was at the start of major renovations. It was her responsibility to provide the main building with the Tech Building. Stark steel beams were taking shape and becoming offices, classrooms, and storage spaces. Joan says, “I’ve seen the College go through many changes … have seen it grow and expand … seeing different programs come and go.” The most memorable events for Joan were the 50th anniversary celebration and watching the Tibetan Monks design and create a vibrant mandela. She also feels “privileged to have known the one and only Professor Brunell.” Joan is thankful for the opportunity to have “worked with a great group of men who helped make the job fun and at the same time managed to get it done.” Now Joan is taking the next leg of her journey. She is currently in the process of moving to Rochester to further her own business. Even though she already misses her friends at Cayuga, she looks forward to her new adventure with enthusiasm. If you are interested to learn more, visit Joan at her website http://kjoanstafford.younglivingworld.com.

Helene Stapleton retired recently from her position as coordinator of disability services at the Academic Support Center. She did so after a very distinguished professional career including 19 years at Cayuga. Helene has served the College with distinction and has been a pioneer in the development of disability policy and procedure, both locally and beyond. Helene has developed the program for students with disabilities from its miniscule beginnings. In the late ‘70s the College served three students with learning disabilities. Now the total population is somewhere around 450! Helene is certified as a developmental educator from the Kellogg Institute at Appalachian State University, a program well renowned for being one of the very few which provide this credential. One of her greatest accomplishments has been to balance a conservative approach to disability services with compassion and reason, so that students with disabilities can be assured of a program which is responsible to both the student and the institution. This fine professional was the primary inspiration and effort behind Cayuga’s disability policy and procedures document, which serves to provide information to students, faculty, and staff regarding the preservation of students’ rights, and the responsibilities of the students and the institution. It was because of Helene Stapleton that Cayuga Community College has a disabilities program which is solidly grounded in law, and which is responsive to the needs of all parties. Very fittingly, Helene received the Professional Service Award from SUNY’s Disability Services Council in recognition of her significant contributions to the postsecondary education disability community.

Nancy, Kris, Kathy, Joan, and Helene -- our best wishes to all of you!
DONOR LISTINGS

A note to our alumni contributors

As requested by some of our alumni donors and starting with this issue, we’ll show your annual alumni contributions in a special donor list only \textit{once a year and in full}. Each spring issue of the alumni news will be highlighting all contributions received for the previous fiscal year (September through August). The reporting time will coincide with the CCCC Foundation’s annual report. We hope that this change in reporting your annual donations will make the donor listings less confusing.

Thank you for your understanding and your previous and future support of the College!

CONSIDER GIVING BACK . . . TO THE FUTURE

A few days ago, our incoming freshmen stepped onto our Auburn and Fulton campuses to begin their collegiate careers. As they looked to the future, some of them doubtless were thinking of the past -- remembering, perhaps, where they were on this date exactly a year ago.

In short, it’s natural to think back as we look to the future. As you think about your past, consider the role that Auburn/ Cayuga Community College has played in your life. Think about the doors that were opened to you by your education at ACC/CCC. Think about your first day on campus; the first professors you studied with; the early friendships that still live with you today.

We all were freshmen once just like today’s students. We had the same fears and anxieties as our incoming class this fall. The good news is you can help make the transition easier for today’s Cayuga students! One way to do so is to make a gift to the 2006-07 Alumni Annual Fund when you receive your letter shortly.

Beyond your annual support, perhaps you are in a position to consider a gift of lasting significance. For many of our alumni and friends, that comes in the form of naming the CCCC Foundation in your will. Making a gift via your estate is considered a gift of lasting significance. For many of our alumni and friends, that comes in the form of naming the CCCC Foundation in your will. Making a gift via your estate is considered a gift of lasting significance.

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excellent resource for students, faculty and staff. Jo Ann Harris ’94 manages the administrative office at the Fulton campus and serves as liaison to the Auburn campus’ health, registrar, continuing education, and student activities offices.

The former director of CCC at Fulton, Debbi Grimshaw, returned to public education in the Onondaga Central School District. Fred Maxon, associate for planning and development when the former Fulton Center was established, passed away in 1995. The current director at the Fulton campus is Provost Dr. Cathleen McColgin.

Dr. McColgin is “one of our own.” She graduated from Cayuga with a degree in nursing in 1986 and gained employment at Cayuga in 1988 as coordinator of the nursing arts lab. Cathleen continuously served on college- and statewide committees while proceeding with her education and earning her Master’s and Ph.D. degrees from Syracuse University.

She states that her continuing interest in higher education and teaching and her participation in college- and statewide committees as well as her participation as director of assessment for the college led her to attaining her current position in college administration.

Besides her regular duties as provost of the Fulton campus, Cathleen McColgin is involved with several county-wide boards including the Advisory Board for Oswego County BOCES, the Workforce Development Board, and the Oswego Chamber of Commerce and United Way boards. Cathleen is also a highly respected member of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Cathleen McColgin is proud of her Cayuga beginnings. She delights in the fact that Cayuga at Fulton does “what we said we were going to do, provide quality education for the residents of Oswego County.”

Fulton Campus Staff who are ACC/CCC Graduates

Front Row:
- Jo Ann Harris ’95; ’04  Secretarial Certificate; Business Administration
- Diane Salvati ’91; ’05  AS degree in Liberal Arts - Math & Science; Computer Information Systems
- Susan Weatherstone ’90  AA degree in Liberal Arts & Humanities and Social Science
- Judy Campanella ’78; ’91  Secretaryial Science; Liberal Arts & Humanities and Social Science
- Joyce Crandall ’02  AAS degree in Computer Information Systems
- Linda Jo Germain ’02  AA degree in Liberal Arts & Humanities

Back Row:
- Joe Samuels ’04  AAS degree in Computer Information Systems
- Ralph Stacy Jr. ’96  AAS degree in Criminal Justice Police Science
- William Lovell ’59  AAS degree in Business Administration
- Rae Howard ’06  AA degree in Liberal Arts & Humanities and Social Science
- Cathleen McColgin ’86  AAS degree in Nursing
- John Lamphere ’74  AAS degree in Criminal Justice Police Science
- Richard Cuyler Jr. ’04  AA degree in Liberal Arts & Humanities

Not in Picture:
- Richard Bower ’92  AA degree in Liberal Arts & Humanities and Social Science
- Donna Roger ’88  AA degree in Liberal Arts & Humanities and Social Science
- Misty DiGaetano ’01  AA degree in Liberal Arts & Humanities and Social Science
- Kelly Jennings ’87  AS degree in Liberal Arts - Math and Science
- Grant Sussey ’03  AS degree in Business Administration
- Joe Mastrianni ’80  AS degree in Engineering Science
- Diane Holbert ’98  AA degree in Liberal Arts & Humanities and Social Science

Fulton Campus Provost Dr. Cathleen McColgin (right) helps present the NYS Sheriff’s Association Award to Shane Connolly, a spring 2006 graduate. (Left to right: Oswego County Sheriff Ruell Todd, Shane Connolly, John Lamphere, Dr. McColgin.)