How the Alumni Association Came to Be...50 Years of Life Changing Opportunities

2009 Marks the 50th Anniversary of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association. Here is a brief history of the formation of the Association.

In recent years, the ACC/CCC Alumni Association has hosted a December Recognition Ceremony to recognize students who had completed their course requirements in December. It wasn’t an actual graduation ceremony, simply an opportunity to celebrate their accomplishment. Often, when students complete these requirements, they transfer to a four-year school, get jobs, even move away. Many may not be able to return for the traditional May ceremony or choose not to participate. The Alumni Association sponsored a “December Recognition” event for these students, invited a keynote alumni speaker, and hosted a reception for the students and their families.

In December 2007, new CCC President Daniel Larson attended his first December Recognition. He liked the program enough to put a plan into action to make it a real graduation. A Commencement Exercises Committee was formed under the leadership of Mel Brown, director of human resources, who has organized May graduation ceremonies for close to 30 years. Other committee members included Bob Frame, coordinator of theatre operations, and Louise Wilson, director of alumni affairs. With assistance from Michael Pastore, CCC registrar, as well as various other college departments, plans went forward and the first December Graduation was set for December 12, 2008, the traditional date the December Recognition would have been held.

The ceremony did not include the usual pomp and circumstance of caps and gowns and faculty in regalia. But it did allow each graduate the opportunity to “walk” across the stage of the Irene A. Bisgrove Community Theatre to receive their tassel. The new grads were offered the opportunity to participate in December or the traditional May ceremony, and they still have the option to attend the May event.

Director of the CCC Library Marc Wildman was the pianist and Martha Reudlinger, Class of 2009, sang the National Anthem. Following an Invocation by College Chaplain, Reverend Floyd Duger, welcome addresses were given by Dr. Larson and Jeffrey Edwards, chair of the College Board of Trustees. John Lamphere, president of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association and a faculty member, offered a message to our new alumni. Guest speaker was Stanley J. Kott ’68. Mr. Kott was named to the CCC Board of Trustees in October 2008, and is currently the CEO of Montpelier Underwriting, Inc.

In his address, Mr. Kott spoke of the time he graduated from ACC. “It was June, 1968 and Robert Kennedy had been assassinated, the war in Viet Nam was continuing and soldiers and civilians were dying. On college campuses across the country students were protesting the war; civil rights were still being debated and defended; Martin Luther King had been killed only two months earlier. Change was being promised. There was no cable TV; personal computers were not yet a reality; fax machines were not yet invented; and no one had anything but a corded, probably rotary dial telephone. Most of us had to get up from our chair to turn the TV channel. It was a troubled time and yet it was a good time because there was, like today, hope for a better future”. Mr. Kott’s final advice was: “be an optimist, work hard, learn all the time, have hope, do the right thing and follow your heart.” Advice that withstands the test of time.

Dr. Deborah Moeckel, vice president of academic and student affairs/dean of the faculty, along with Jeffrey Hoffman, executive director of the College Foundation, presented candidates for degrees which were conferred by Dr. Larson.

The Alumni Association hosted a reception for the new alumni, their family and guests. Association board members Judy Campanella, John Lamphere, John McLeod, Debbi Purcell, Paul Ringwood and Director Louise Wilson served refreshments and sweets, including a cake with the inscription “Congratulations, You’re Alumni Now!” at the festivities held in the student lounge.

Stanley Molloy provided musical entertainment on electric harp.
Greetings to ACC/CCC Alumni and Friends,

I'm writing this letter at the beginning of the current semester, after a Fall that brought us a spirited election campaign and one of the most challenging economic times in the history of our country. But, change and transition are in the wind, not only on the political scene but also at the College.

As you know, a good part of our funding comes through the New York State budget. The Governor has proposed substantial cuts for many sectors, and the College is included in them. We continue to work with the SUNY System and with our legislative delegation to mitigate the depth of those cuts. My hope is that they will be lessened by the time the Legislature approves the State budget this Spring. Community colleges run about as lean an operation as one can be found in American higher education. A budget cut of the magnitude proposed would have a pronounced negative impact on the College.

Our enrollment continues to be positive, especially with our online, weekend, and high school populations. We know that students want greater flexibility to achieve their educational goals and to consider the College in their plans. Our expansion of the Fulton Campus will enable us to offer complete programs, not just courses. We have the opportunity, please let Carla know. If you know of a need or an opportunity, please let Carla know. Our men's basketball team is the #1 player in the nation. Our women's basketball team is fine achievements this year. If you know of a need or an opportunity, please let Carla know. Our men's basketball team is the #1 player in the nation. Our women's basketball team is fine achievements this year. If you know of a need or an opportunity, please let Carla know. Our men's basketball team is the #1 player in the nation. Our women's basketball team is fine achievements this year. If you know of a need or an opportunity, please let Carla know. Our men's basketball team is the #1 player in the nation. Our women's basketball team is fine achievements this year. If you know of a need or an opportunity, please let Carla know. Our men's basketball team is the #1 player in the nation. Our women's basketball team is fine achievements this year. If you know of a need or an opportunity, please let Carla know. Our men's basketball team is the #1 player in the nation. Our women's basketball team is fine achievements this year. If you know of a need or an opportunity, please let Carla know.
Dear Alumni and Friends of ACC/CCC,

Happy 50th Anniversary to the ACC/CCC Alumni Association! As we celebrate 50 years of the Alumni Association’s success, let's take a quick look back to its beginnings. On a sunny April day in 1959:

- Your dad bought that new Chevy Kingswood station wagon for $2,970 and gassed it up for 25 cents a gallon. As you drove home, you heard “Mack the Knife” and “Venus” by Frankie Avalon on the radio.
- After dinner you sat down to watch Bonanza or The Twilight Zone (starring Rod Serling, that skinny guy who owned a house on Cayuga Lake). Or, you went to the movies to see Doris Day and Rock Hudson in Pillow Talk.
- And, of course, you found time to finish the paper that was due for Prof. Brunell’s class tomorrow morning!

It’s fun to wish for the “good old days” especially with the challenges we face in 2009. We conveniently “forget” that in 1959, a revolutionary named Castro had just taken over Cuba; riots flared in Iraq led by a young guy named Sadaam Hussein; tribes of Hutus and Tutsis fought for control of a new nation called Rwanda; and confrontations between the U.S. and Soviet Union overshadowed a war in some place called Vietnam. On the home front, unemployment was up in 1959, inflation had cut the value of the dollar in half since 1945 and Virginia’s Prince Edward County closed its public schools to avoid the “racial mixing” mandated by Brown vs. Board of Education.

In 1959 and 2009, in good times and bad, in prosperity and recession, Auburn/Cayuga Community College can make all the difference in the world!

As always, I thank you for your generous support through the years of the CCC Foundation. I look forward to working with you in 2009 as we celebrate 50 years of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association’s success!

In the Cayuga Spirit,
Jeff Hoffman


Alumnus Stan Kott ’68 Joins CCC Board of Trustees

On the day he was born, Stanley J. Kott’s uncle proclaimed, “We will call him Stanley J. Kott because he is our namesake.” And thus Stanley J. Stas’ Kott, named after his father, was born into a working-class family in Auburn, NY. Many years later, Stas’ has returned to Auburn and his alma mater to serve as one of the newest appointees to the Cayuga Community College’s Board of Trustees.

“I remember growing up in Auburn and how hard my parents worked,” he recalls. “My uncle owned a restaurant at Five Points and the extended family all worked there and that often meant working seven days a week. By the time I was fourteen, my regular summer ‘time off’ was Tuesday afternoons. When I wasn’t at school, I was home or at work.”

Although the hours were long, young Stas’ loved life. “You were always around family, around friends. It’s where I learned to be outgoing and to meet people and to appreciate the true value of hard work,” he said.

After graduating from Auburn East High, Stas’ could have stayed with the family’s restaurant. He decided instead to take the leap into higher education at Auburn Community College. This experience led him to Canisius College and, following a stint of active duty in the National Guard, onto the University of Hartford. He also began his career in insurance as a claims adjustor and then underwriter.

And then, fate stepped in. “I was doing pretty well in my first job, so much so that my firm offered me a promotion to their New York Office,” said Stas’. “I politely said ‘no thanks’ thinking they would not want to lose me. I was wrong; they fired me! As I was leaving work for the last time, I turned to say goodbye to a co-worker and literally knocked him over! He was an underwriter for a reinsurer and his company was looking for people. I was hired within one week and the rest is, as they say, history.”

From that point on, it has been an upward journey for Stas’ Kott. Today he serves as CEO of Montpelier U.S. Holdings. “Our business is high risk insurance and re-insurance,” he explains. “The parent company is publicly traded on the NYSE and operates companies in Bermuda, London, Switzerland and the U.S. In addition to his success in business, Stas’ serves on several boards, including the Board of Trustees of Wells College. He also stays in touch with his family, the truly important aspect of his life.

Stas’ Kott’s upbringing in Auburn and his time at ACC taught him many things. Most of all, Stas’ has grown to be an optimist. “The glass is always half full or perhaps even more,” he says. “I believe that envisioning a good result is an important ingredient toward the eventual achievement of any goal. That, and hard work.”

Is Stas’ done with his education? No, he says. “A good life is never finished and your education is never complete. Every day is a chance to learn more, to explore the unknown, to become a better person, to test your knowledge and your limits.”

Alumnus Stan Kott ’68 is the newest member of CCC’s Board of Trustees

2008 Excellence Award

Each year, employees at Cayuga Community College are selected to receive the college’s Educational Support Professionals Excellence Award for outstanding job performance. This year’s recipients include Janet Mudge, a senior typist in the Nursing/Physical Education office; JoAnn Harris ’94 office manager at the Fulton Campus; and Jill Gage, senior typist in the Business/Industry Center. They are congratulated by Dr. Daniel Larson, CCC president.
Greetings to you all!

I was recently stopped by a student on the Fulton Campus and asked the question “What is the Alumni Association, what does it do, and how do I become a member of it?” Good question and I am going to answer it in this way. According to the official Cayuga Community College website, “The Auburn/Cayuga Community College Alumni Association provides diverse services to alumni, the College community, and the community-at-large. The Alumni Association was founded in 1959 and later incorporated as the Auburn Community College/Cayuga Community College Alumni Association, Inc. Today, our mission is to promote and enhance relations among alumni, the College community, and the community-at-large.” Simply stated, the Association is charged with promoting Cayuga Community College. There are other groups and departments within the college that do this, but the Alumni Board does this on a voluntary basis and promotes activities outside the normal realm of the college’s duties and responsibilities. You will find us at a host of events throughout the year, and you can partake in any of the Alumni Association sponsored trips we provide.

Now to answer the last part—“How do I become a member?” The Alumni Association is every one of you reading this article. Once you enroll as a student at CCC, whether in Auburn or Fulton, online or in the traditional classroom, you are now a member. The Board is made up of you. We are always looking for people to serve on the Board, and especially interested in Fulton grads. As of right now, there is no one on the Board of Directors who is a graduate of the Fulton Campus, and only one person from Oswego County – that being myself, who is a transplant from Cayuga County! Interested in serving – contact the Alumni Office or any Board member to find out how to join.

This is my last year as president and I want to take the opportunity to thank everyone who has worked with the Association to make it as successful as it is. I want to let you all know that we are working constantly to provide services to everyone as indicated in our aforementioned mission statement. If you would like to know more about that, please contact Louise in the Alumni Office. And before I go any further, there is a person who does not receive the credit she is due. You have in Louise Wilson as the Alumni Director, a dynamo of a person. Slight in stature, her energy and drive is relentless and she is doing an excellent job. I encourage everyone to stop by and talk to her. I cannot thank her enough. And if you are interested, there is an upcoming event of a three-day trip to the Gettysburg Battlefield in September which will go on sale April 6.

Again, thanks to all who have worked so hard to make this a successful organization. And I want to encourage everyone to reflect back and consider giving back to this college that gave you so much. You will not regret it.

John Lamphere, Class of ’74

What we’ve been up to...

Fall Antique Appraisal Fair
A Chance to Discover Treasures

The ACC/CCC Alumni Association sponsored its 6th Annual Antique Appraisal Fair on October 26, 2008. Event chair-people, Judy Campanella and Lori Cochran, noted that the coming of fall often spurs people to search for their treasures, or coveted possessions, have any value. The ACC/CCC Alumni Association provides diverse services to alumni, the College community, and the community-at-large. The Alumni Association was founded in 1959 and later incorporated as the Auburn Community College/Cayuga Community College Alumni Association, Inc. Today, our mission is to promote and enhance relations among alumni, the College community, and the community-at-large. Simply stated, the Association is charged with promoting Cayuga Community College. There are other groups and departments within the college that do this, but the Alumni Board does this on a voluntary basis and promotes activities outside the normal realm of the college’s duties and responsibilities. You will find us at a host of events throughout the year, and you can partake in any of the Alumni Association sponsored trips we provide.

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Annual COOKIE Drop

The ACC/CCC Alumni Association once again sponsored its “Cookie Drop.” A cookie drop is when you bake (or purchase) holiday cookies and ‘drop’ them off on campus. The goodies are collected and distributed to children who may not otherwise receive them.

This is the third year the Auburn Campus has sponsored the ‘drop’ and the donated goods were delivered to the Cayuga Home for Children. The Alumni Association members around the Christmas tree during the Cookie Drop. From left are Bonnie Rooker, John McLeod, Lori Cochran, Louise Wilson and Ted Herrling.

From left: Fulton staff and faculty members: Amanda Reed, Sue Witmer, Bill Lovell and JoAnn Harris display some of the more than 50 dozen treats collected on the Fulton Campus.

Loading the drops for delivery to Cayuga Home For Children. Shown are John McLeod, Bonnie Rooker, Ted Herrling and Lori Cochran, members of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association Board.

Goodies collected on the Auburn Campus.
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Join your friends from
ACC/CCC
for an enjoyable evening of
fun, food and friendship

50 Years of Life Changing Opportunities

Debbi Purcell, Lloyd Hoskins and Judy Campanella selling pizza at the annual event. Proceeds will fund the various activities and scholarships the Association provides.
New York State Governor David Paterson is greeted by Cayuga Community College President Dr. Daniel Larson. Looking on are CCC Trustee Pam Kirkwood ’84, Cayuga County Sheriff David Gould and Congressman Michael Arcuri (D-24).

CCC Hosts NY Governor

Governor David Paterson visited the CCC Campus on Saturday, January 31 to hold one of his Town Hall meetings. He spoke in the Irene A. Bisgrove Community Theatre to a standing room only crowd. The Governor stated that he wanted to give the public an opportunity to discuss New York State’s fiscal crisis and the themes of his State of the State Address.

The meeting was open to the public and questions were taken from the floor. The top concerns were the governor’s budget cuts and the state’s taxing plans and tuition hikes. One of the topics that concerned local residents was the untaxed cigarettes being sold at Native American stores.

CCC President Larson said he only heard positive comments from the community in response to our hosting the event. Dr. Larson expressed his thanks and appreciation to all who helped make the town hall meeting such a success.

Alumni Association...

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Education Department. The board was a group of elected alumni who met, initiated and planned events and programs. 1987 brought a renewed commitment to alumni when Virginia localano was hired as part-time Director of Alumni Affairs. The first undertaking of the newly organized Alumni Association was to accept a challenge from the Cayuga County Community College Foundation. The Association raised $50,000 in matched gifts in support of Cayuga’s capital construction project. Under Ginny’s leadership, the Association was able to grow and develop until her retirement. Ginny had the distinction of being named the Association’s first Honorary Alumni in 1995 in recognition of her spirit and efforts on behalf of the Alumni Association.

Momentum within the Association continued and Deborah “Mickey” Maywalt Lord ’75 was hired as the first full-time director in September 1994. Throughout her tenure Mickey continued to expand the work begun by her predecessor. Elisabeth Hurley took the helm in April 1998. She involved the Association in a plethora of activities, not only on campus, but within the community. Under Elisabeth’s tutelage, the Association garnered a number of achievement awards: Excellence in Alumni Programming 1996-97 from the Chancellor of the State University of New York; The 16th Annual Admissions Advertising Awards Merit Winner for the Association’s newsletter Now & Then; The State University of New York Confederation of Alumni Associations award for Alumni Events and Programs and Senior Citizen Enrichment Day; and the Awards for Excellence in Alumni Development and Programming in September 2002. Even after her retirement in 2006, Elisabeth stayed on to complete the edit of her last edition of the Spartan.

Deborah Purcell ’98 (a 2006 Alumni Award recipient) was hired as a part-time Alumni office staff member and worked rigorously alongside Elisabeth in the many activities and programs they oversaw. Shortly after Elisabeth’s retirement, Debbi accepted a full-time position at the Fulton Campus.

The next director was Nancy B. Ranieri. During her short tenure, Nancy and her vivacious personality infused the Alumni Office. Louise Wilson ’72 was hired as Debbi’s replacement and along with Nancy, created “the Happy Office.” Nancy brought fair to the Association and was involved in the first dinner dance presented by the Association in several years. Even though she wasn’t an alum, Nancy had strong attachment to CCC and it was with mixed emotions that she left to pursue another career. Nancy was named an Honorary Alumni in 2008.

And here we are today. When Nancy left in January 2008, Louise was named interim Director of Alumni Affairs until a search committee could name a full-time successor. After just a few days on the job, Louise submitted her name for consideration. In April 2008, the CCC Foundation named Louise Wilson the 5th Director of Alumni Affairs. Coincidentally, she is a cousin to the first director, Virginia localano. Louise hopes to continue to build on the foundation laid by her predecessors. The office is still the “Happy Office” and the door is always open for alumni and friends to stop in to chat, look through the archive of ACC/CCC yearbooks or get a tour of the campus. The ACC/CCC Alumni Association looks forward to another 50 years of Life Changing Opportunities.

Keep Watching …

Are you interested in other CCC events and alumni trips? Events are always being offered. Check local newspapers and Cayuga’s website for additional information at http://www.cayuga-cc.edu/.

The Alumni Office is also a great source of information. Call (315) 255-1743 ext. 2454 and/or 2224 or email alumni@cayuga-cc.edu.
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appropriately enough, the novel is called Stump
City. And like most families, there are
enough tales to fill another book so Mike had penned a follow up
called Childhood without a Helmet: Stump City Two. The
saga continues with the misadventures of young Michael Quigley,
set again in that predominantly Irish-American
section of Skaneateles Falls, New York. The story roughly
parallels the time period of Stump City, and focuses on
Michael’s interactions with his friends and neighbors. Susan
Frank Rayne, a family friend who lives in Massachusetts,
write the book jacket summary which perfectly describes
the book: Each vignette recalls a more innocent time when
children’s activities were unsupervised, directed only by a parent’s
divisions that, conveniently, seemed always full of loopholes.
It’s refreshing to read about simpler times and how much
fun children could have without electronics. The story tells of
Michael and his mischievous young friends, Davey Wallon
and Pete Cashin (whose nephew is an alum), and takes us
back to the days of daredevil sledging, learning to ride a
two-wheeler, and cooking up Halloween pranks. Of course,
when left to his own devices, the young Michael never fails to
amaze and amuse – witness the conception, execution, and
consequences of playing Tarzan in his underwear.
Mike’s book shows the reader that parents and other
adults were present and not in the background, watching from
their offspring and ready with hugs, cookies, reprimands,
or the belt, as each situation warranted. Ultimately, it is the
fabric of community and family that provides the structure in
which Michael and his childhood friends grew and thrive.
Mike says that his book will be available for purchase soon
at Tea and Treasures in Mottville, NY, at Creekside Book Store
in Skaneateles, NY, or from Amazon.com for $15.00. To place
an order directly with Mr. Quigley, send a check for $17.00
plus $2.00 per book for shipping to Mike Quigley, 3372 Center
Street Road, Auburn, NY 13021.

The Forty Under 40 awards program is an event designed to
highlight and promote young people in the community. These awards
recognize business people, who, as the name implies, are under
the age of 40 and have a desire to participate in charitable and
community activities. This is the first event of its type in Oswego
County. The program captures the dynamic and entrepreneurial spirit
of Oswego’s business community.

There is no denying the “Forty Under 40” recipients reflect
Oswego’s economic diversity. They represent the region’s
most dynamic, successful and community-minded
businesspeople. A police officer from Pulaski, a village
mayor, a nuclear senior emergency planner, a child care
worker, a financial planner, attorneys and several business
owners and professionals are part of Oswego County’s
next generation of leaders, according to Oswego County Business
magazine.

One of Cayuga Community College’s alums, Terry
Matthew Wilbur ’08, was among those honored. He
graduated cum laude with an associate’s degree in
criminal justice. At 20 years old, Terry Matthew Wilbur has already
taken part in numerous community programs and activities.
He is a Hannibal Village trustee, where he devotes about five
hours a week. Wilbur also participates as co-chairman of the
Hannibal Recreation Park Committee. “We are working on
building a recreation park where the community can come
together to participate in the outdoors,” he said. “We are
looking to replicate the historic two-story gazebo which
was in our village square in the early 1960’s.” The committee
is also trying to create a skateboard park in the community.
Wilbur is also a member of the Hannibal Republican
Committee and the Oswego County Young
Republicans. Through these committees, he helps sponsor
Republican candidates running for office. Depending on
the election season, Wilbur volunteers for up to 10 hours
a week. Presently, he is attending SUNY Oswego as a
political science major. “One of the awards I am most proud of
is the New York State Sheriff’s Association Award. I received
this award for work I did with Cayuga Community College,”
he said. In addition, Wilbur has received a Service Award
from AmeriCorps of Oswego County in appreciation for his
service. “I believe people are lacking a sense of community
these days, and we need to build the communities back up
again,” he said.

In 2007, Vincent Gleason Jr. ’05 found a way to make the
best of the hand they were dealt in life. Six years ago, Vin
and his wife had a daughter, Kaylee, born with a rare kidney
disease. Her first two years were spent at University Hospital
in Syracuse, NY. Their next child was a son, Braeden, who
also had severe medical conditions. The Gleason family sold
their home and possessions to move to Maryland to get their
son to Johns Hopkins Hospital. Prior to Braeden’s birth, Mrs.
Gleason had cancer surgery. Vincent also had a variety of
knee injuries and in July 2008, a major fall off the side of a cliff
nearly ended his running career.

As an outlet to the grave situations in his life, Vin
organized walks, runs and worked on fundraisers. As he
stated “It is never too late to change yourself and your
community for the better.”

To that end, in 2010, Vin and his children started an
online information website called TheRun4Life.org. They
offer activities for children including trail walks, geocaching,
fun runs and a variety of other activities. Their goal is to
somehow be an outlet for people. They are happy that other
organizations let them raise funds for them. Vin would
be more than happy to have anyone interested in helping or
joining his cause to visit the website.
Greetings, everyone. Allow me to introduce myself. My name is Maggie Killoran and I am the new Associate VP/Dean of the Fulton Campus for Cayuga Community College.  I am honored to have been selected to take on this important task, and am very excited to arrive and begin to meet all of the students and employees of the college.

As you can probably tell from my Canadian accent (argh argh!) I am not a native to the USA, never mind to New York. However, I have been living in North Carolina for the past five years, so my accent has morphed into something that is an unlikely combination of Canadian words like “Torono” (instead of Toronto), “a-boot” (instead of about) and great southern favorites such as “y all” and “reckon.” But I’m getting ahead of myself. Let me begin at the beginning.

I was born in Ontario, Canada (I won’t bore you with my date of birth) in a small, friendly, blue-collar community where I was raised in a family of thirteen children… of whom eleven (yes, I said eleven) were boys. My father was a plumber and Deacon in the church and my mom was an elementary school secretary and remains one of my biggest fans to this day. My family was a loving, close-knit group of people who helped to shape my identity, my sense of humor, and instilled in me a strong knowing that my spot as # 9 of 13 was secure and there would always be a place where I belonged. However, there was not much talk of college or university as I grew up. My parents were smart enough, but trade school and high school were as far as they went. So I never really thought about college….I just figured I’d finish high school hopefully and get a job. And, at that point, completing high school wasn’t looking too good since I was sporting a “D” average by Grade 12. Of course those grades also seemed like a big ole flashing signpost telling me that I’d be better off just avoiding the whole “school” thing. But life had other plans for me. Four years after high school I met a local family who introduced me to the idea of attending college. I wasn’t so convinced, but their support was unwavering, and so, as a first-generation college student, I jumped into my first year of college with eyes wide shut and never looked back. I discovered that not only ‘could’ I do this…..but that I “wanted” to do this.

I love learning and have the student loans to prove it! Post university I began my career teaching upgrading in Vancouver, British Columbia to adults whose lives and schooling had derailed and were looking to “get back on the horse.” I continued this work in northern British Columbia by opening up an onsite adult learning center for mill workers in a remote community. I really took to this work, partly because I felt at home with the blue-collar crowd in the mills, and partly because I could relate to the students who typically had not done well in high school and were scared to death of humiliation and failure in the classroom. To this crowd, college was a dream as unreachable as school and were scared to death of humiliation and failure in the classroom. To this crowd, college was a dream as unreachable as I was born in Ontario, Canada (I won’t bore you with my date of birth) in a small, friendly, blue-collar community where I was raised in a family of thirteen children… of whom eleven (yes, I said eleven) were boys. My father was a plumber and Deacon in the church and my mom was an elementary school secretary and remains one of my biggest fans to this day. My family was a loving, close-knit group of people who helped to shape my identity, my sense of humor, and instilled in me a strong knowing that my spot as # 9 of 13 was secure and there would always be a place where I belonged. However, there was not much talk of college or university as I grew up. My parents were smart enough, but trade school and high school were as far as they went. So I never really thought about college….I just figured I’d finish high school hopefully and get a job. And, at that point, completing high school wasn’t looking too good since I was sporting a “D” average by Grade 12. Of course those grades also seemed like a big ole flashing signpost telling me that I’d be better off just avoiding the whole “school” thing. But life had other plans for me. Four years after high school I met a local family who introduced me to the idea of attending college. I wasn’t so convinced, but their support was unwavering, and so, as a first-generation college student, I jumped into my first year of college with eyes wide shut and never looked back. I discovered that not only ‘could’ I do this…..but that I “wanted” to do this.

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**CREAM OF JALAPENO SOUP**

**From Jan Baum**

1 cup Celery
4 cups Chicken Broth
1 cup Onions
4 cups Heavy Cream
1-2 cups Carrots
4-6 tbsp Butter
1 Green Pepper
4 tbsp Cornstarch
1-2 Red Peppers
Salt and Pepper
5-10 Jalapeno Peppers
1 ½ cups of Swiss cheese
Potatoes if desired (already boiled)
1 ½ cups Cheddar Cheese
Olive Oil
Garlic (optional)

Cut veggies and cook in a few tbsp. of Olive Oil, covered. Add garlic, salt and pepper. When veggies are done, in a separate pot whisk together cornstarch and butter to make roux, slowly add broth and cream while still whisking. When liquids are slightly bubbling, stir in the cheeses. Stir the cooked veggies into the liquid. Cook on low ½ an hour and continue to stir frequently. When I make it, I go by my own taste…if you like it hot, then go for it!
The Fulton Campus hosts a wide variety of activities each semester and the fall offerings were no exception. Early in the semester a DUI Simulator car was brought to campus for drunken driving awareness and Chinese artist Jim Hardesty shared his wit, skill and stories with the campus community.

Musical entertainment included a guitar concert presented by Music Department students, a performance by the Barrigar Brothers and the annual Fulton Campus Choral concert.

Fundraising events were sponsored by the Criminal Justice and Science Matters Clubs who hosted a Jailhouse Rock fundraiser. The Student Activity Board provided a $2.00 Thanksgiving dinner for students, faculty and staff. The campus community donated more than fifty dozen holiday baked goods for needy children at the Annual Cookie Drop.

Civic events included Constitution and Veteran’s Day ceremonies, as well as Town Hall meetings with guest speaker, CCC President Dan Larson. State Senator Darrel J. Aubertine made a campus visit to “chat” with administrators and students.

Hands-on or interactive activities like leaf printing and massage therapy were well attended. From talks on ghost hunting by Stacey Jones to midnight bowling at Lakeview Lanes, there was something for everyone.

A Student Activities Fair was held on September 24. Caricaturist W.C. Pope entertained the students while they learned about all the exciting extra-curricular activities available to them on the Fulton Campus.

On October 1, Jim Hardesty, Chinese brush painter and scholar, spent the day on campus and entertained a standing room only crowd.

The Barrigar Brothers performed in the Fulton Lounge on September 10.

Joel Humphreys (far right) talks to potential students at the annual Fulton Open House.

Students, faculty and staff tried their hand at screen printing using leaves and grasses at a Leaf Print Activity. This no-charge event took place on November 19 and was not only fun but also taught everyone how to use natural, renewable sources for creative outlet.

A Constitution Day celebration was held on September 17. Over 50 new voters registered and students enjoyed cake to celebrate the 221st birthday of the Constitution.

This is a picture of the bricks the Criminal Justice club purchased on behalf of the entire college. They are at the Oswego County Veteran’s Memorial Walk of Fame. The bricks were purchased with proceeds from a hotdog and hamburger sale sponsored by the CJ students.
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Men’s Basketball Wins Spartan Classic

The Spartans knocked off Niagara in the opening round 74-70 and then beat Fulton-Montgomery CC 86-72 to win the 2008 Spartan Classic. The tournament wins helped the Spartans’ to a 6-6 record at the end of the first semester. Sophomore Jovoun Webb was named Tournament MVP. Freshman guard Justin Sterling was named to the All-Tournament team for the Spartans. Freshman forward Terry Harrison also played well down low for Cayuga.

The Spartans enter the second semester hoping to surprise their Mid-State Athletic Conference opponents in 2009.

Men’s Soccer Players earn Mid-State Athletic Conference Awards

Three Spartan men’s soccer players were named to the 2008 Mid-State Athletic Conference All-Star team this past fall season for their outstanding play. Sophomore forwards Shazz Obiora (London, England) and Geo Bateman (Fulton, NY) earned the honor for the first time. Sophomore mid-fielder/defensemen Jon Mulcahey (Fulton, NY) was named for the second consecutive season. These teams are voted on by all of the conference’s coaches.

Rebuilding at 6-6 at Semester Break

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Deadline March 31

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  This award is available for high school seniors who are the child or grandchild of an ACC/CCC graduate.

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Harlequin Productions

“Hook-up 2020”

Harlequin Productions celebrated the Fall 08 semester with “Hook-up 2020” an evening of four one-act plays. Keeping with Harlequin’s mission of finding new and unpublished work, three of these plays were world premiers from playwright Jack Gilhooley: “Digital Love,”“Cells” and “Male Order.” The last play of the evening was “It Happened at King’s Island” by Jay Huling. Thirteen actors and four technicians, all students, helped director Bob Frame stage these comic works. And of those 13 student actors, 9 of them made their Cayuga debut performance, a whole passel of premiers!

The evening was innovatively presented with the actors and audience all on the stage of the Bisgrove Theatre. The production also incorporated video into the settings using 4 projectors, 2 cameras and 3 computers to present a high-tech environment in keeping with the show’s theme: “how people might hook up in the future.” The plays were well received, with final night standing room only.

The plays were also honored by the Theatre Association of New York State adjudicator who attended the first weekend. Zac Darling received a Meritorious Achievement in Acting for his work in “Male Order” and a Meritorious Achievement for Ensemble Acting was awarded to Jacqueline Kocur, James Cantu and Esther Taylor-Weiss for “It Happened at King’s Island.” …King’s Island also received an invitation to perform at the Annual TANYS Theatre Festival, Harlequin’s 8th invitation in 11 years! With the assistance of a special outlay of funds by the CCC-FSA, on the weekend of Nov. 21-23 Bob and 14 students traveled to Batavia to participate in a weekend of workshops and theatre. As one of the Festival’s eight shows, they performed early Saturday afternoon before an appreciative crowd of close to 200 fans. At the awards ceremony on Sunday, student designer Robin Fragoman accepted an Adjudicator’s Discretionary Award for Sound and Special Effects. They returned home exhausted but exhilarated by the experience.

Many of this same company participated in January in the Auburn Players’ production of “Our Country’s Good” that was directed by CCC alumnus Jay Manning and featured alumni Carole Estabrook and Colin Sullivan.

Alumni Association Sponsored Trips

Holiday in the City, November 8, 2008

For several years, the Alumni Association has hosted a one-day bus trip to New York City to attend a production of the Radio City Christmas Spectacular featuring the Rockettes. This year, with the sagging economy and job layoffs, no one knew what sign ups would be like. The trip went on sale shortly after Labor Day and in less than two weeks, the bus was not only sold out but had a waiting list of 30 people.

It's not always possible to secure an additional bus and good show tickets at a late date, but we were lucky this time. Arrangements were made and the second bus sold out in just over a week.

Alumni Travel Committee co-chair Lori Cochran escorted the original bus along with Cheryl Foster. For several years, Cheryl has kept the group entertained during the bus ride with games, prizes and the ceremonial lighting of the Christmas tree. The second bus was escorted by Louise Wilson.

A total of 93 alum, family members and friends boarded two motor coaches on a dark and rainy morning and braved weather that didn't cooperate with our upbeat holiday spirits. It rained off and on during the ride to New York as well as most of the day once we got there. That didn't stop many from taking advantage of all that New York has to offer. It's amazing how many activities trip goers took advantage of in just one afternoon. Some were Broadway bound and saw a matinee of The Lion King while others visited museums, including the Ripley's Believe it or Not Odditorium in Times Square. Speaking of Times Square, yes, the Naked Cowboy was there even in the rain. One group boarded the Staten Island Ferry to take the free boat ride and get a different perspective of the skyline. And, of course, there's the shopping and restaurants!

Radio City's Christmas Spectacular, now in its 76th year, didn't disappoint. No matter what your age, if you haven't seen this show, you should make a point of doing it at least once. Or, like several members of our group, possibly five or six times!

Alumni Association trips are open to all, not just alumni. The Travel Committee is currently working on offerings for 2009. If anyone is interested, keep an eye on the college website or call the Alumni Office from time to time to see if anything is being planned.

We would like to thank the Travel Committee members, including Debbi Purcell and Lori Cochran, co-chairs, for continuing to come up with great ideas for us all to enjoy.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SPONSORED TRIPS

Gettysburg Battlefield 2009

September 18-20, 2009

One of the most popular trips the Alumni Association offers is the Gettysburg Battlefield weekend. It doesn't matter if you're a "Civil War buff," enjoy history, or just want to get away for a weekend, this trip seems to appeal to a wide range of interests.

Part of what makes this trip so popular is the fact that it's escorted by John Lamphere. John is not only the president of the Alumni Association, but he is one of those "buffs" previously mentioned.

Each trip participant is given a bound manual that John puts together outlining the events and sites that each particular tour will be visiting. He leads the tour himself; it is not conducted by the National Park Service. As a Criminal Justice and American History instructor at CCC, John knows how to get the information across while making it entertaining.

In the past, the trip has left on a Saturday morning and returned on a Sunday night. Many of the regulars, and those who plan on becoming regulars, have expressed a desire to extend the trip a second night. We've listened to those requests and have made arrangements for this year's trip to leave on a Friday and return on Sunday evening.

Stay tuned for details. If you're interested in coming with us this year, don't hesitate to sign up when the trip goes on sale, or you may need to wait for next year.

The annual trip to the Gettysburg Battlefield is not only back, it's better!

Many who have taken this trip voiced their opinions that it should be a two-night trip because one night isn't enough.

So for the first time, the trip will leave on a Friday afternoon and return early Sunday evening.

This trip will go on sale Monday, April 6, 2009.

If you are interested in an in-depth exploration of one of our nation's most epic struggles, join the ACC/CCC Alumni Association on this entertaining and educational trip escorted by John Lamphere.

Prices and full details will be available on or after March 9 from the Alumni Office at 315.255.1743 extensions 2224 or 2454, by email at alumni@cayuga-cc.edu, the campus website or Lori Cochran, Director of the Powers Library in Moravia, NY, at 315.497.1955.
Nursing News

It is often stated that the one constant in education is change—the Nursing Program is no exception. Linda Alfieri was appointed director of nursing in January 2008. Mary Driscoll has joined the faculty as a full-time member, co-teaching first level courses with Linda MacKay. Cheryl Foster and Brenda Forrest teach second level courses and Dr. Jane Kiernan coordinates the Nursing Lab. Alfieri states, “Cayuga’s nursing faculty is our program’s number one asset.”

Several initiatives have been implemented in the program:

- The Auburn Campus Nursing Lab has doubled in space as T-109 has been converted into a four patient unit with a Nurses station.
- The department applied for and received $100,000 from the SUNY High Needs Initiative grant to create a Nursing Lab at the Fulton Campus.
- A Fast Track Evening Weekend program is now offered at the Fulton Campus. A cohort of 20 students started in January 2009 and will graduate in 17 months in May 2010.
- Each nursing course is web-enhanced by the Angel Learning Management System. This allows students the opportunity to use their computers to access test grades, course forms, supplemental learning materials, and communicate with their instructors.
- Curricular changes include a new required one credit course, Nursing Success Strategies. This course is designed to support the student’s success in the rigorous nursing curriculum.
- The program is seeking continuing accreditation from the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission. The accreditation team will be visiting in early February. This voluntary accreditation process promotes innovation and excellence within a nursing program.
- Cayuga graduates continue to exceed the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX) state and national passing rates. The class of 2008 achieved a passing rate of 92.3%.

Cayuga’s nursing graduates identify the department’s faculty and high standards as the strengths of the program. Alfieri states, “Cayuga’s nursing program is committed to the preparation of graduates qualified to practice safely and competently in the complex health care environment. The reputation of a ‘Cayuga Nurse’ continues to excel. Feedback from employers reinforces the excellent reputation of our graduates.”

College Education for Busy Adults

Life doesn’t get any easier. Add jobs and family to the mix and it’s even harder. If you’ve had a desire to continue your education, but just don’t know how to fit it in, there’s a program for you.

Cayuga Community College is offering Sunday only classes.

Cayuga’s Adult Accelerated Learning Program is a blend of classroom as well as independent study that may fit right into your hectic schedule. Classes meet every Sunday for just three hours. A fusion of classes and independent assignments between classes allows you to finish courses in only 8 weeks instead of the usual 14-week semester.

The courses are designed to be fast-paced and interesting. They are taught by qualified instructors who encourage student participation and small-group discussion.

Your busy lifestyle has given you experience with managing time and meeting deadlines. The Adult Accelerated Learning Program uses the skills you already have and combines them with formal education. Just what you need to reach your collegiate goals faster than you might think possible.

If this sounds like the perfect fit for you, call or e-mail for more information.

Janet Nelson, M.S. Ed; Director of Adult Learning. 315.255.1743 x 2835 or www.cayuga-cc.edu

Early Childhood Degree Earns Accreditation

By Patricia Gridley, Ph.D.

The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Commission on Early Childhood Associate Degree Accreditation has granted accreditation to three associate degree programs in New York state—Cayuga Community College, SUNY Cobleskill and Schenectady County Community College. These three colleges are the first in New York to be granted accreditation for their early childhood degree programs, and each joins only 48 other colleges across the country who have earned the distinction.

CCC was awarded national accreditation August 1. For more information about the AAS degree program at CCC, visit www.cayuga-cc.edu.

Patricia Gridley is an associate professor and the coordinator of the Early Childhood Program at Cayuga Community College.

Telecommunications

It’s an exciting time to be a student at Cayuga Community College. CCC is the only community college in New York State to offer courses that help an individual create, develop and then launch a new business in electronic media. In addition to future business incubator opportunities, the Telcom Department has launched two enterprises that celebrate entrepreneurship: Cayuga Records and C3 Studios.

The new Telcom course supports Cayuga Records and teaches students how to run a recording company from top to bottom. “We now have the capability to launch one new recording every year on our Cayuga Records label,” explained Cayuga Community College Electronic Media Programs Director and Professor Steve Keeler. “Our goal is to have the ability to launch four to five new recordings with our label a year.”

Already Cayuga Records is planning a CD release party celebrating its first recording: Colin Wilson’s “This is Why.” The album’s release will be accompanied by the sale of merchandise and the launching of a new website.

C3 Studios is a student-run video and film production company which will produce original works while instructing the students how to develop and operate a media business.

“There is no limit to what a student will be able to achieve in this new atmosphere of learning,” said Keeler. “A student can take an idea, learn the skills to nurture and grow that idea and then develop their idea into a thriving new business, all with the support of the programs and instructors at CCC.”

Attention Criminal Justice Graduates

The CJ Department would love to hear from you!

Send an email with what’s up with your career, life, network information and any other information that you would be willing to share with incoming graduates and students of the CJ program.

Contact Teri Misiaszek at misiaszek@cayuga-cc.edu.

SAVE THE DATE
April 1, 2009

The Department of Nursing is hosting a BSN and Employment Fair

Representatives from regional colleges and health care agencies will be available for you to explore BSN and employment opportunities.

2:00 – 3:30 pm
CCC Student Lounge
Cultural Enrichment

Cultural entertainment is alive and well and thriving on the campuses of CCC. Thanks to the generosity of many donors, the Cayuga County Community College Foundation is able to provide a variety of events, ranging from Broadway-type productions like *Forbidden Broadway*, to musical offerings like *Sons of Pitches*, or lecture series by renowned personalities.

Many of these events are made possible through contributions to the CCCC Foundation’s Cultural Enrichment Fund, Ruth P. Thomas Arts Fund, or Noreen and Michael J. Falcone Lecture 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.

Two presentations were offered to the campus and community this fall. The first was *James and the Giant Peach*, a free production presented at the Fulton Campus September 30 and in Auburn October 1. The play was performed by Sign Stage on Tour. Sign Stage specializes in Sign Language Theatre where deaf and hearing actors perform together on stage. Whenever a character speaks, the character speaking uses sign language, but you always hear the voice, spoken either by a different actor speaking through a microphone or by a narrator off stage.

*James and the Giant Peach*, written by Roald Dahl, is about an orphan named James Trotter, who takes a magical journey. It is a tale of friendship, love, sadness and triumph.

The production was sponsored by the CCCC Foundation, Inc. The production was well received by young and old alike.

The second presentation offered by the CCCC Foundation was a lecture by Kevin Rivoli, an award-winning photojournalist. A morning lecture was held on Wednesday, November 19 and was open to all. Following his talk, Mr. Rivoli addressed students enrolled in the Arts, Photography and Telcom programs. Later that evening, Mr. Rivoli gave a community lecture in the Irene A. Bisgrove Community Theatre on the Auburn Campus.

For the past 15 years, Mr. Rivoli has been capturing timeless moments in contemporary America. He calls his project "In Search of Normal Rockwell’s America." Mr. Rivoli has matched his photographs with art that was done by Norman Rockwell. The project has the blessing of the Rockwell Family; the Normal Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, Mass.; and Curtis Publishing, owners of *The Saturday Evening Post*, whose covers Rockwell’s illustrations adorned.

Mr. Rivoli, a contract photographer with The Associated Press, occasionally does work for The New York Times. Now he can add author to his credentials. Along with his wife, the former Michele Locastro of Auburn, they compiled a book of Kevin’s photographs paired with a similar illustration by Rockwell. Each pairing features comments by a variety of noteworthy individuals. The book aptly named *In Search of Norman Rockwell’s America* was recently published by Howard Books, a division of Simon & Schuster, Inc. and is available for purchase internationally. A second book is underway. The Rivoli’s reside in Owasco, NY with their twin sons.

These events were made possible by the endowed Noreen and Michael J. Falcone Lecture Fund.

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  Senior Account Clerk Typist
- James L. Farrell 01/09/09  
  Custodian

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- Michael A. Cortese 09/01/08  
  Instructor of Recording Arts and Music
- Theresa L. Misiaszek 09/01/08  
  Instructor of Criminal Justice
- Robert J. Humphrey Jr. 01/12/09  
  Instructor of Biology-Fulton Campus

**Civil Service Appointments:**
- John F. Bower 09/18/08  
  Building Maintenance Person
- Andrea C. LaBaron 11/24/08  
  Payroll Systems Specialist
- Frank E. Sciorino 01/22/09  
  Custodian
- Glenn R. Warner 01/22/09  
  Custodian

**Executive Staff Appointments:**
- Carla M. DeShaw 10/27/08  
  Dean of Community Education/Workforce Development
- Margaret A. Killoran 03/01/09  
  Assoc. VP and Dean of the Fulton Campus
The Spartan
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Throughout the month of March 2009, the ACC/CCC Alumni Association will culminate the Alumni Appeal with our Phone-A-Thon. Students, alumni, and friends of the College will be calling ACC/CCC graduates whom we have not yet heard from during this year’s Alumni Appeal, which started in September 2008. Our callers will update your records, ask for any news you would like to share, and invite your financial support of college and alumni association programs.

When you receive your call from one of the Phone-A-Thon workers, please take a few minutes to speak with them. Think back on your wonderful experience at ACC or CCC and give whatever amount you can so others can continue to receive an excellent education here. We greatly appreciate your pledges.
John A. Bellomo '55 retired in 1990 after 34 years as an educator. He has two children (ages 42 and 40) and three grandchildren. John was a member of ACC's 1st graduating class. "You've come a long way baby!"

Camille M. Dragone '62 retired in 2002 from the City of Auburn.

Louis A. Nocilly '62 with his usual humor, Lou has shown that his imagination is just as active as ever. He has provided us with an update of his life in the fast lane of the retiree highway. Recently Louis has: arranged a moose hunting trip with Dick Cheney and Sarah Palin, traveled to Florida with Governor Eliot Spitzer, played golf with OJ Simpson and Governor Eliot Spitzer, played golf with OJ Simpson and played golf with Governor Eliot Spitzer. Louis is enjoying his grandson and is engaged to be married in February 2008.

Richard J. Chanko '63 passed away in February 2008.


William J. Green '64 is the President of Robessa Enterprises.

R. Edson Porter '64 is retired.

Dr. James G. Ward '64 is a spiritual director, writer, and lay Theologist, living in Sahuarita, Arizona, between Tucson and the Mexican border.

James M. McMahan '65 was recently appointed by the governor to chair the College Council at SUNY Oswego.

Barbara Durbin Rosecrans '65 is enjoying her grandson Connor.

Dennis Brewer '66 retired from Canandaigua Middle School and has been Director of Parks and Recreation in the town of Canandaigua for 20 years.

James Porten '66 has been Security Director at Champion Golf Club in Houston, Texas after retiring from the U.S. Department of Justice.

Richard J. Spencer, PhD '66 retired in May of 2008 from Fitchburg State College in Massachusetts where he was a Psychology Professor. In September of 2008, Richard was awarded Professor Emeritus.

Joe Sullivan '66 is retired. He is married to Gail Beltknap Sullivan '68.

Laureen Passaro Maiorano '67 retired from CCC in 2002.

Sandra Scombor Tonzi '67 has four grandchildren-Jack, Addison, Cole and William, and one on the way.

Kevin F. Hogan '68 retired after 37 years of teaching Special Education. Since 1990, Kevin has been a ski instructor at Holiday Valley in Ellicottville, New York.

Julia Chamberlain Krueger '68 has a granddaughter who is a student at CCC.

William E. Lavrampy '68 is retired.

Linda E. Minde '68 retired in February 2009 from Cornell University's Lab of Ornithology after 27 years of employment.

Gail Beltknap Sullivan '68 is now an adjunct professor at Onondaga Community College. She retired from Skaneateles Central School as an English teacher of 36 years. Gail is married to Joe Sullivan '66.

Deborah Drutz Clinch '69 is currently a Production Control Supervisor at Auburn Correctional Facility. Deborah spends her free time golfing and traveling, and is looking forward to retirement.

Jim Kerstetter '69 has worked as a general contractor in Naples, Florida since 1979. Jim also graduated from Cortland State and received a master's degree from Florida State University.

Terry G. Layton '69 works as a Probation Supervisor at Cattaraugus County Probation Department.

Thomas J. Murphy, Esq. '69 served as president of the Syracuse Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates in 2007.

Frank Netti '69 is senior vice president for investments at Wachovia in Syracuse. Frank qualified as a member of the President's Club for 2007 through Lincoln Financial Distributors, a Lincoln Financial Group. Frank is also a graduate of Leadership of Greater Syracuse Class of 2007.

Lucy Newlon Sylvester '69 is proud to report that she is the grandmother of two grandchildren with a third on the way. Her two sons live in the greater Syracuse area; Scott is in the insurance industry. Sean (expecting a son in February '09) is an investment and financial planner as his father, Rob. Daughter Missy is a teacher and is engaged to be married in June '09.

Donald Kehoskie '70 was elected Regional Coordinator for the New York State Public Employees Federation Region 4 and represents over 3,500 members in Central New York.

Henry J. Matthews '70 passed away in January 2008, while driving a tractor trailer for work.

Rev. Beverly J. Clark Rautenberg-Panko '70 is an ELCA Pastor serving St. John's Lutheran Church in Eustis, Nebraska.

Anthony V. Walters '70 is retired. Anthony's son is a second year law student at Howard University.

Charles F. Augello '71 recently celebrated 35 years in law enforcement and 20 years as a Police Captain. In June 2008, Charles' son joined the Auburn Police Department. In September 2008, Charles started his 14th year as an adjutant Criminal Justice Instructor at CCC.

Frederick A. Mellinii '71 retired in 2001 from Goulds ITT where he was a customer service manager. Frederick writes that his son, Fred Jr. '84 and his daughter-in-law, Lorie Sage Mellini '86 are also CCC alum. Fred Jr. is a retired police officer and Lorie is an RN. Another daughter, Annette, lives in Chicago.

Sue Taylor Nagle '71 is retired and enjoying her grandchildren. Sue is married to Tom Nagle '70.

Kathleen Panek '71 is not working presently.

Marilyn R. Higgins '73 is currently Vice President for Community Engagement and Economic Development at Syracuse University.

Toivo H. Nel '73 is a retired U.S. Air Force officer and is currently working in the Market Research Department at Walt Disney World in sunny Orlando, Florida.

Marilyn T. Bratek Ringwood '73 is the happy owner of a small boutique in Armory Square in Syracuse called Elisabeth Rose. It is Marilyn's fifth year as a small business owner in Syracuse. The shop is named for her daughters, Molly Elisabeth and Caitlin Rose.

Peter R. Crouse '74 was elected President and Chairman of the Board of Green Thumb Environmental Beautification Inc., an organization that provides employment to low income senior citizens at various state facilities.

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Sue Nagle is married to her husband Fred Jr. '84. Sue is married to her husband Fred Jr. '84.

Lorraine Swyers Seibold '74 received an AA degree as the last class from ACC. She continued her education at Buffalo State earning a BS degree. Twenty + years of various retail management positions have led to her current position as store manager for Camille La Vie, a ladies specialty retailer featuring formal wear, bridal, and sportswear.

Donald Semple '74 turned 70 this year, along with his twin brother. Life in Arizona is sweet and sunny.

Connie (Constance) Hoffman Cuddy '76 is retired and plans to get together with a couple of girls from the 1976 Nursing Class. She is looking forward to seeing them again.

Donald W. Mayer Jr. '76 retired from the Fulton City School District in 2003. Donald had a very pleasant experience while attending ACC/CCC.

Susan Kreplin-Michaels '76 continues to compete in triathlons of various lengths, up to the full 140.6 mile Ironman length. Susan was thrilled to become a national USAT champion in her age group in the Sprint Distance Championship.

Cynthia Struglia Sierzenga '77 works for the State of New York at Auburn Correctional Facility as Accreditation Office Keyboard Specialist. Cindy has been married for 23 years to Dave Sierzenga and they have one son, David.
enforcement and began his career in 1976 with the Ontario County Sheriff’s Office. In 1978, he joined the Seneca Falls police, retiring in 1998. After retirement, he joined the state’s Insurance Frauds Bureau as an investigator in the Onondaga County office. He was promoted to senior investigator in charge of the Rochester office. Sullivan has a certificate in fire protection technology from Corning Community College, an associate degree in criminal justice from CCC and a bachelor’s in criminal justice from Syracuse University. He has an adjunct faculty member at the Academy of Fire Science in Montour Falls for the past 25 years. He is a Level II fire investigator and was a founding member of the Seneca County Fire Investigation Team.

Teresa L. Burke ’86 is a Clinical Educator at University Hospital.

Maria Franzone Moriaty ’86 teaches all juniors and seniors AP/CCC Calculus and CCC PreCalculus at Auburn High School. Both of her children are in elementary school. Maria is married to Stephen Moriaty ’86.

Stephen Moriaty ’86 works at Hanover Insurance. Stephen is married to Maria Franzone Moriaty ’86.

Robert F. Green ’88 recently finished restoring a 1967 Mustang.

Robert G. Trama ’89 is a supervisor for Magna Powertrain.

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Lisa L. Rosecrans ’91 has fond memories of CCC and encourages her students at Auburn High School to experience a warm and caring higher education institution.

Brenda White Szymanski ’88 is a fifth grade teacher at South Seneca Central School.

Robert T. Myers ’92 is an accountant at Wal-Mart. He married his wife, Becky, in September 2008.

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Monday, February 2
(Auburn – Cayuga Café)
Wednesday, February 4
(Fulton)
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

A Pair of Nuts: Sketch Comedy Duo
Miami-based award winning sketch comedy duo starring Yamil Piedra & his little friend Johnny Trabanco.

Their show is an innovative, edgy, high-energy comedy show that features sketches, costumes, choreography, and short videos.

Bill Wharton "The Sauce Boss"

Thursday, February 26
(Auburn – Irene A. Bisgrove Theatre)
Sauce Boss- Live Blues and Gumbo Cooking
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Music and cooking mixed together to form a new medium. You cannot miss this exciting performer. Enjoy some rocking blues and enjoy the delicious gumbo he cooks up while performing.

Wednesday, March 4
(Auburn – Cayuga Café)
Cayuga Café Unplugged featuring
The Barrigar Brothers
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Featuring Acoustic Performers: The Barrigar Brothers
See them online at http://www.myspace.com/thebarrigarbrothers

Wednesday, March 25
(Auburn – Cayuga Café or Student Lounge)
Friday, March 13 (Fulton)
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

“Women, Pop Music and Pornography”
Lecture by Meredith LeVande

Pop music and pornography are two industries that thrive on spotlighting the sexual degradation of women, while perverting it as the sexual liberation of women. Meredith clears the lens of Big Media’s spotlight, shedding unfiltered truth to young women who’ve matured in the sexual saturation of American culture—a thoroughly enlightening and thought-provoking lecture.

Wednesday, April 15
(Fulton)
10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Psychic Fair

Wednesday, April 22
(Both Campuses)
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
“Orbital Planet Program”
More info forthcoming.

Alumni Award
Nominations Sought

Each year, the ACC/CCC Alumni Association solicits nominations for the Alumni Award. This is given to graduates of ACC or CCC who have distinguished themselves through service to their community, the Auburn/Cayuga Community College, its Foundation and its Alumni Association.

Applications are available from the Alumni Office or may be mailed or emailed upon request.
Recipients are presented with their awards at a special brunch held at the Springside Inn in Auburn, prior to the May commencement ceremony.
Deadline for applications is March 31.
Have you moved or changed your name?
Please help us keep our alumni records updated. If you've moved or changed your name or phone number, let us know. It will help us reduce undeliverable mail and save postage. Contact us by mail, email or phone with any name change, new mailing address, phone number and your class year. We really appreciate your cooperation.

SHARE YOUR STORY OR PHOTO
We're planning an Alumni Association 50th Anniversary edition of the Spartan to be published in September 2009.
We need your help to make it a special issue and it won't cost more than 42¢!

- Do you have a special photo or memory you can share with us about your days at ACC/CCC?
- Would you like to reconnect with a classmate whom you haven't been able to locate over the years?

Send us a note to them and we'll publish it. Due to privacy laws, we are not able to give out addresses, but we can post a general message and maybe your friends will see it.

Photos may be scanned and emailed as a jpeg file, or you can mail us a photo and we will return it.

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