**Did you know . . .**

At the College’s fifty-seventh annual Commencement on May 22, President Larson shared some surprising statistics about the 584 members of the Class of 2011:

- 63% of the class was female; 37%, male
- They ranged in age from 18 to 77: 24% were age 18-20; 36%, 21-25; and 40%, older than 25, including 65 graduates older than 40.
- Graduates resided in four states
- Some grades took their first course at ACC up to 20 years ago, with four enrolled in the 70s.

To show how demographics have changed over the years, the ACC Class of 1955, the college’s first graduating class, had 20 graduates. Of that number:

- 70% (14 students) were male; 30% (6 students), female.
- They ranged in age from 18-24: 45% were age 18-20; 30%, 21-25; and 25%, older than 25.

**Growth and Change are on the Horizon . . .**

"Everyone who ever registered told us stories of long lines and filled classes, of paperwork and more paperwork. They had plenty to say, and not much of it was good. As a result, most of us freshmen were a little worried when we went to make out our schedules. We knew that sophomores traditionally got earlier times, and we wondered if there would be anything left for us." Excerpt from the 1978 Janus

"There’s lots of anticipation for what comes next."  
Dr. Daniel Larson, CCC President

CCC has frequently made the headlines in local publications since the Spring/Summer edition of The Spartan was published. Over the past several months, plans have been made and votes have been cast. The top projects on the horizon that are in the spotlight include the major expansion of the Fulton Campus; potential Student Housing; an Arts Education and Performance Center (currently under construction); and a Media Arts & Communication Center. (For project details see “A Message from the CCC President” on page 2.) The changes that are happening at CCC can be a good thing as they continue to enhance the development of our campuses to meet the growing needs of our students and the communities we serve today.

In the next few issues of The Spartan, we will offer you a front row seat so you can watch as the campuses continue to develop. In the meantime . . . as an alumni publication, we often tend to share photos from the past, but, to be different this time, we thought we would share some photos from the present. However, since old habits are hard to break, we decided to share both—the new as well as the old—to reflect some of the changes that have occurred at the College.

We can celebrate the past as we welcome the future. Stay tuned for more . . .

In the early days, traditionally, freshmen were required to wear beanies while on campus to distinguish them from the upper classmen, or in reality, to make them subjects for good-natured hazing. One of our alumni, who will respectfully remain anonymous, vividly remembers to this day her “hazing” experience. She recalls being ordered to recite Juliet’s famous soliloquy (“O Romeo, Romeo . . .” while kneeling on the backs of two male freshmen, her knees (and voice) shaking, in front of a crowd gathered at “the wall.”

Today, orientation is held at the Auburn and Fulton campuses each spring and fall. Students are invited to a picnic barbecue with live music. They have an opportunity to meet and mingle with other new students, as well as faculty and staff. And . . . no beanies required!

In 1966, the line between smoking and no smoking sections was still a little hazy.

More recently, the line became clearer.

In the early 1960s, the ACC Student Council, under the direction of advisor, Professor Robert Brunell, voted to remove the cigarette machine from the student union. David Rose ‘64 explained that it was “a proud moment.” This action was noted by the Citizen-Advertiser as well as the American Cancer Society. Rose is shown here with Professor Robert Gallo pushing the cigarette machine out the door.

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I can ask one generation of alumni if they remember the David Bowie song Changes. And, I can ask others on both ends of the generational spectrum if they even know of the singer David Bowie. Those who do might remember the song, and I apologize in advance if you start to hum it now and over again. On the up side, you're who do might remember the song, which is an entity that has grown exponentially since it first opened in 1994. The The Spartan www.cayuga-cc.edu/alumni as an Extension Site in 1994. The College undertakes several activities and projects. This update provides you with some highlights.

We've come nearly to the end of the current academic year and the fiscal year, both on August 31. This year has continued to be one of tremendous activity as the College undertakes several activities and projects. This update provides you with some highlights.

We remain in good budgetary standing, due mostly to our impressive enrollment growth of these past few years. Since I started in August 2007, the College has grown by about one-third in student enrollment, a combination of student growth in Fulton, online, and in high schools. Given the three State cuts totaling about 21% in our base aid since January 2010 and the lack of an increase this past year in student tuition and in our County sponsor contribution, our increased enrollment has enabled us to handle those cuts without any changes in personnel, programs, and services. Yes, we're being prudent and careful with our funding, and the College faculty and staff have handled our growth within their position responsibilities. We haven't expanded with new positions during this time. And, that's a credit to our dedicated employees.

The new Fulton campus site is coming to fruition. As you may know from media reports, we purchased the vacant P & C store at the River Glen site along with an additional 45 acres of adjacent land for future expansion. The College Foundation is in process of purchasing the rest of the River Glen site, with the College intended as the primary tenant. We're very engaged with our architects to complete the concept study and are now moving into detailed plan drawings. The project should be ready for bid this Fall, with a target completion date of late Summer 2012. Since it's an existing building, we won't be hampered by winter weather during construction. Based upon progress thus far and the deep discussions with the College community, we should have a campus facility that will handle our immediate needs and provide space for continuing growth.

Over time, we expect our Fulton enrollment to equal and surpass Auburn since the population base being served is about 50% larger than in Auburn. As we capture more of that population, Fulton will continue to grow. The Arts Education and Performance Center project in downtown Auburn continues to make progress. You may have seen the empty space on State Street since the demolition of the long-vacant Kalet's Department Store. Similar to Fulton, this theatre project is moving past concept study into detailed architectural drawings. The project should be ready for bid this Fall, with a completion date of Spring 2013. As a new building, the construction season will begin once the weather breaks next Spring. On the Auburn campus, we continue to make progress with student residence halls. That formal decision should be coming very soon by the Board of Trustees. We're in process of talking with several parties about possible property acquisition and the potential for a design-build approach. SUNY community colleges remain on their own in the construction of residence halls, without the authority to access State funding, so our business plan must accommodate both the capital costs and the operating budget. More details will be coming soon on this important initiative.

The Media Arts & Communication Center is on a similar planning effort for the Auburn campus. This would involve the relocation of our existing Child Care Center, probably to include the redesign and/or relocation of the existing Nature Center – a true 1970s state-of-the-art sustainable facility. What better way to ensure that our youngest students become involved in green technology and sustainability than by being associated with an updated Nature Center! We're continuing to make strides with outdoor athletic fields and supporting facilities. We will have an important announcement to make about this project in the early Fall. We continue to explore potential locations for our viticulture program, including a demonstration vineyard and related support facilities. The existing Prospect Street entrance in Auburn will be redesigned and reconfigured, making it safer and more suitable as a major campus traffic way and upgrading our current “back door.” The redesign of the space around the old Bookstore and the back of the Library will be part of the consideration here. So, please watch for more details.

Enrollment during 2010-11 reached our projections set in April 2010, building upon the extraordinary 23% increase we saw during 2009-10. As with that kind of growth spurt shouldn't occur again anytime soon, the Fulton project will enable us to see those numbers grow again. Our online population expands each semester as more students take courses via the internet. Our high school population grows as well, with concurrent enrollment helping high school students complete Cayuga credits before graduation and encouraging them to work successfully through the transition of high school to college. With our social and credit-free offerings, our Community Education courses have continued to draw many, many more students. We've grown from a few hundred students just a couple of years ago now to nearly 4,000 enrolled in courses that range from Zumba dance to how to learn, use, and stay up to date with computer technology. With one of the Community Education course catalogs, please contact our Community Education Office. We want to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to pursue their own lifelong learning!

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

Sincerely,

Dan
Dear Cayuga Community College Alumni and Friends,

The new fall semester is fast approaching which brings with it much anticipation, great expectations, as well as a little anxiety. In coming students will be plotting their educational journey by enrolling in college courses that will ultimately lead to graduation and to their distinct pleasure of becoming a college alum and member of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association.

Looking back on my personal voyage through the college experience, I recall with great fondness the college instructors that influenced me in a great way. You can imagine the sense of awe I experienced as a 17-year-old freshman upon encountering “Zeus” (Prof. Brunell) in my English Lit course. There were others who left a lasting impression including: speech teacher, Mrs. Parchem; math teacher, Mr. Young; business teacher, Mr. Pryor; and social science teacher, Mr. O’Connell. There were also (Prof. Camardo, Prof. Long, Mr. Syrjala, Dr. Groat, Dr. Snyder and Dr. Habeeb. My generation was indeed lucky to have had the opportunity to attend ACC, for without that option, most of us would not have been able to afford higher ed. We were able to achieve college degrees and/or contributing to the alumni fund raising appeals.

To those alumni who have not had an opportunity to become involved in any alumni activities, I sincerely invite you to join us in recalling and celebrating the memories of ACC/CCC.

Speaking of alumni activities, Louise Wilson, our Director of Alumni Affairs, and her travel committee are planning three wonderful trips this fall, beginning with a trip to Gettysburg in September. This trip again will be led by John Lamphere, who does a super job with his vast knowledge of the Gettysburg Battlefield. (Note: John Lamphere is looking for an antique tractor pull, and seeing how the students develop and participate because of our strong criminal justice program. Lamphere has recently completed his ninth consecutive term on the ACC/CCC Alumni Board, where he has served as past president and secretary. His dedication to the Association goes above and beyond with annual guided tours of the Gettysburg Battlefield. John is a Civil War historian and self-proclaimed “history geek” who specializes in the Battle of Gettysburg (which he fondly calls his Mecca). Trip-goers rave over his ability to bring the battlefield events to life. Additionally, Lamphere participates in speaking engagements and lectures held at area libraries, town halls and museums on a variety of historical subjects. Recently, he spoke on the Lincoln Assassination, held at the Old Brusht Historical Society in Weedsport. Of his second career, LamphereN, the student association at the Fulton campus thinks so highly of John Lamphere that they have voted him “Teacher of the Year” five times! Additionally, he won the New York State Sheriffs’ Association’s “Deputy of the Year” award in 1996 and received an ACC/CCC Alumni Association Award in 2000. Lamphere excelled in public speaking with his motto, “We Build Futures,” and claimed “that is what we are doing” – which is completely different from his former life as a law enforcement officer.

Thank You to the Association’s Officers and Board Members

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John E. Lamphere ’74
Terry’s picture can often be seen gracing the local newspapers. As the youngest-ever elected legislator in the history of Oswego County, at the age of 21, he often participates in local events. He can be seen at ribbon-cutting events, commemorating achievements, award ceremonies, or shaking hands with Oswego county youth. Wilbur is on the Oswego County Legislature’s Health and Human Services committee and is chairman of Community and Consumer Affairs. In addition, he is a member of the Hannibal Historical Society, serves as co-chair of the Hannibal Park Committee, and is on the Fish and Wildlife board of directors. He is on the Hannibal Alumni Association board and is an active member of his church, The Lady of the Rosary in Hannibal.

Terry graduated from SUNY Oswego this year with a bachelor’s degree in Political Science. When we asked about his decision to enter the political arena at such a young age, he said that his mother was in politics on the town level, and he has always enjoyed helping others and being a resource for the people in the community. He began his career at the age of 18, when he was voted onto Hannibal’s Village Board. Terry said that he wants to help “shape the Town of Hannibal and to go back to the ‘community feel’ of a small town.” He expressed that a small town is “a great place to live and raise a family.”

When asked about his future, Terry said some of the possibilities he is considering are: going further in the political arena, becoming a political staffer, and starting his own business that would provide a positive impact for the community, something he is quite serious about. In his personal time, Wilbur enjoys “farming activities,” attending tractor pulls, and talking agriculture with the local farmers and farm representatives. Currently he is looking for an antique tractor to start his own tractor pull team. The Alumni Association is proud to have the young and very motivated Terry Wilbur on its Board of Directors.

The Alumni Association
Annual Alumni Award 2011 Recipients

The ACC/CSC Alumni Association’s annual awards program recognizing alumni, who have served themselves apart through their service to the community and/or Auburn/Cayuga Community College, was held at the Springside Inn on May 22, 2011. Selection of recipients is based on a range of criteria that include volunteer service, involvement in civic functions or vocational achievements, to name a few. Recipients exhibit qualities symbolic of the mission of the Alumni Association: to promote and enhance relations among the alumni, the College community, and the community at large.

Honored at this year’s Association Brunch were award recipients Cheryl A. Foster, RNCS, MSN, PNP, LFD ’77 and William H. Tenity ’65. They were also recognized at the College’s Commencement Ceremony held later that day.

Cheryl is a Professor of Nursing at ACC and the coordinator of Family and Community Nursing. She also serves as a RN for Auburn Memorial Hospital and is the funeral director at Farrell’s Funeral Home. She graduated magna cum laude from CCC with an AAS in Nursing, earned her BSN from D’Youville, and her MSN from SUNY Oswego. Cheryl has also received several additional nursing certifications and earned her funeral director license.

“She has the most caring heart and has donated her time and money for many charitable organizations and always brings people together,” Lori Cochran ’65 commented.

This has been shown on many occasions, including one of Cheryl’s more recent projects: “The Healing Field: Field of Hopes and Dreams.” Because she believes in the value of volunteering, Cheryl encourages her nursing students to become involved in college and community activities. Foster has been recognized with numerous awards over the years. In 1989 CCC and AMH each recognized Cheryl by nominating her for the NYS Legislature’s Nurse of Distinction Award. In each instance she received the local award and was chosen to go on to be considered at the state level. In 1990, she received the Volunteer of the Year award from the American Heart Association. Following 9/11, Cheryl volunteered in New York City for 12 days and was recognized with a Great Heroes Award from the American Red Cross for her service.

Following graduation from ACC, Bill Tenity attended SUNY Oneonta where he earned his BA in Secondary Educational Studies. He then completed his post graduate work at SUNY Oswego and attended Cornell for several summers at the Middle Level Institute.

During his years as an educator, Bill’s efforts helped to develop the middle school program with his involvement on the ‘Effective Schools Training Team.’ He coordinated the student government programs at West Middle School and created the school’s election program. Tenity organized and ran countless extra-curricular activities for the students. When Gerry Guiney ’82 spoke of Tenity, he couldn’t say enough about Bill’s dedication to education. “He has continually given of himself, his talents and resources to make Auburn a better city for its residents. He is a role model for all individuals.”

William retired from the Auburn School District following 28 years of teaching; however, he has remained involved in education by substitute teaching. Since retiring, he has been an active member of the NYS Retired Teachers Association. He first served as Cayuga County’s VP and President; then as Central Zone’s VP; and is currently NYSRTA Central Zone President. He is also President and member of the State Executive Committee.

Alumni Association Awards Scholarships

The ACC/CSC Alumni Association has awarded five scholarships to new, continuing, and transferring Cayuga Community College students. Recipients are:

• Incoming freshman: Ashley Evans, Auburn High School.
• Returning sophomore: Heather Lee, Moravia, and Bethany Nelson, Oswego.
• Transferring graduates: Scott Johnson ’11, Moravia, transferring to Rochester Institute of Technology and Megan McLaughlin ’11, Auburn, transferring to SUNY Oswego.

Each year the Alumni Association provides book grants to students with financial need. For the 2010-11 academic year, a total of $2,410.79 was awarded to 16 students. Applications are processed and administered by the Financial Aid Offices on both campuses. For more information: Auburn Campus - contact Jackie Darquea at 315-255-1743 extension 2344, or Bonnie Rooker at extension 2319; Fulton Campus - contact Allison Cass at 315-592-4143 extension 3009.

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Annual Alumni Meeting Notice

The Annual Meeting of the Auburn/Cayuga Community College Alumni Association will be held Tuesday, September 13, 2011, at 7 p.m. in the Faculty Dining Room of Cayuga Community College, 197 Franklin Street, Auburn, NY 13021.

The agenda for the Annual Meeting will include:

• Approval of May 2011 Minutes
• Treasurer’s Report
• President’s Report
• Alumni Director Report
• New and Old Business
• Election of Board of Directors
• Formulation of Committees for 2011-12

Don’t Trash It, Cash It: 9th Annual Antique Appraisal Fair

Heirlooms taking up room? Collectibles collecting dust? The Alumni Association’s ninth annual Antique Appraisal Fair will be held on Sunday, October 16.

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

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

On May 19, the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce held its 12th Annual Business Leader Awards Presentation and Luncheon at the Springfied Inn. This event recognizes the value of local businesses and how they continually add to the economy and overall development of our community while exemplifying the “American Dream.” ACC/CCC Alumni Association Director, Louise Wilson, was in attendance at the event and felt very proud that, once again, several alumni were among the recipients. We would like to congratulate them on their achievement.

David W. Dickman ’76 and Margaret ‘Peggy’ E. (Murphy) Dickman ’77

The Dickman Farms is a fifth generation family-owned business established in 1903. While brothers Dave and Jim Dickman own and operate the wholesale and retail operations, parents Dorothy and Dick Dickman are still very active in the business. Peggy is the office manager, and Jim’s son, Bob, is the shipping manager. Its continued success and growth after 100 years was recognized with an award for Business Leader 50 Employees from the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce at the Business Leader Awards Presentation and Luncheon.

Some of you may recall “Club Dickman” which operated in the current glass greenhouse location from 1933 to 1962. Crowds from all over the region would patronize Club Dickman on Friday and Saturday nights making it one of the area’s leading entertainment hot spots of its era. While accepting the award, David Dickman shared the “story” (that he said may or may not be true) of when the infamous Club Dickman closed. He said that his grandfather and great uncle stood in the empty expanse of the glass room that had held the club and one said to the other, “Have you ever noticed how much better the plants grow in this room?” And so began the next phase of their business. David said that he believes that it is necessary for businesses to be flexible and able to change in order to adapt. He, his brother and nephew often talk about the future and what might be next. The Dickman Family spent 83 years growing squash and other farm crops. However, David’s father had always encouraged him to earn his education in a field other than agriculture. While studying criminal justice at ACC and then at RIT from 1977 to 1979, David continued to work for his father. Of his experience at ACC, David noted that he felt that he was “better prepared entering RIT as a junior than those who attended RIT since their freshman year.” Dave said he had turned down a position with the Syracuse Police Department while waiting for his desired position with the State Police. However, when the job was offered to him in 1979, his father asked if he would consider staying on in the family business. While he is happy with his decision, Dave said that he would have enjoyed earning some law enforcement experience.

Dave would be a ‘twist of fate’ that Peggy Dickman had worked for a florist in high school. She and David married in 1977, the same year she graduated from CCC, and then went on to complete a 2-year course to enter position in Syracuse. Later, Peggy became the Executive Director of the local chapter of the American Cancer Society. After two years of very long hours, Peggy decided that she wanted to spend more time with her family; so, in 1985, she started with Dickman’s. She worked her way up through the business to the position of office manager, but said that she helps out wherever she is needed. Peggy has served seven years on the board of directors for the Merry-Go-Round Playhouse and six years on the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce board.

Dickman’s continues to be the only greenhouse operation certified by VeriFlora in New York, and one of less than two dozen nationwide. Today there are roughly 400,000 square feet of greenhouse space and 8 acres for outdoor growing. Dickman’s Farms regularly employs about 60 people, with an additional 30 to 40 seasonally. David shared that he is very proud that 100% of their employees come from the community and that the success of the business is directly related to those employees. Peggy added that many of their employees have been with them for more than a decade.

In the spring of 2010, Dickman Farms was a lead participant in the “Adopt-a-Spot” program launched by the Auburn Beautification Commission to help beautify the city and ensure regular maintenance of city-owned “spots.” Dickman’s staff members volunteered their time and efforts to improving the landscape around the gazebo located on South Street across from City Hall. They continue providing seasonal flowers and maintaining the area. Dickman’s also provides annual flowers to the Seward House and Matthew House in Auburn. Peggy shared that the Dickman Farms’ motto is, “Our business is growing, and growing is our business.”

Dan Soules and his business partner Mark Dunn, of Grant Avenue Development, Inc. (GAD), received the Small Business of the Year 15+ Years award from the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce, which recognizes demonstrated staying power with a commitment to community involvement and community projects. They have been tremendous supporters of education by their contributions to the Auburn Education Foundation and numerous youth programs. GAD also supports local charities and organizations, such as Matthew House, United Way, YMCA, Muscular Dystrophy Association, Auburn Doubledays and the “Ride for Missing Children.”

Currently, Soules and Dunn own and operate 35 Arby’s Restaurants in three states. With their first restaurant in Geneva in 1986, Grant Avenue Development came into existence. Dan is senior partner in Soules & Dunn Development Group; is president and CEO of GAD; and is partner and owner in a multitude of business management and real estate concepts. Soules’ companies employ over 500 employees in four states.

As an active member of the community, Dan has served on the boards of Cayuga Museum, the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce, and Leadership Cayuga County. In 2007, he was recognized by the Weedsport Central School District with the Graduate of Distinction award. He and his companies have donated millions to related charities and non-profit programs. Recently, he, along with his brothers, pledged a $25,000 scholarship to Weedsport Central School. The scholarship is for a Weedsport graduate enrolling in the new Entrepreneurial Studies program at CCC and is in memory of their mother, Julie Briggs. Dan’s wife and best friend in life, Karol, was recently re-elected for a second term to the Auburn school board; they have two sons, Corey and Conor.

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Anthony D. Franceschelli ’77

Tony Franceschelli, the Regional Vice President and Business Development Officer with Tompkins Trust Company by the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce. Auburn Mayor Michael Quill joined with others in congratulating Anthony Franceschelli on behalf of the bank branch. The Mayor called Tompkins Trust a “customer-friendly financial institution we are proud to have in our city.” The Auburn Branch was praised for providing consistent quality service to its customers and for its active involvement in non-profit organizations and charitable events that support the local community.

Originally known as the Tompkins County Bank, the organization was chartered in 1836. In 1996, the establishment expanded its market to include offices in Odessa and Schuyler counties. Its most recent full-service office was opened in 2003 in Cayuga County in Auburn. In 2007, the board changed the name of the company to Tompkins Financial Corporation and successfully has traded publicly on NYSE Amex.

In addition to being in charge of the Auburn Branch of Tompkins Trust, Anthony is active in the community. He is currently serving as director of the Fred L. Emerson Foundation, Inc. and is treasurer for the Cayuga Community College Foundation board of directors. He also sits on the boards of the Auburn Doubledays and Skaneateles Recreational Trust. Tony serves as first vice-president on the Merry-Go-Round Playhouse board; is vice-chair of the YMCA board; and is on the board for Auburn Memorial Hospital where he serves as treasurer.

Following graduation from ACC, Tony continued his education taking many banking courses and earning his degree in accounting from Le Moyne College in 1980. He and his wife, Jill live in Auburn and have three children, Bill, Grace and Aliza. In his free time, Tony enjoys playing golf.
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Alumni Trip Reports

Since our spring edition was published, the Alumni Association has returned from two successful bus excursions, with three more currently being sold.

Washington, D.C. Cherry Blossom Weekend – April 1-3, 2011

The fact that we left on April 1st – April Fool’s Day – should have been an indication of what was in store for us. Fifty-three alum and friends set off on a crisp spring morning full of anticipation of the more temperate climes of Washington. Then we encountered our “April Fool’s” trick, which was a nasty snow storm through much of Pennsylvania. But as we got farther south, we were rewarded with an abundant array of wild flowers and something we were all ready for – sunshine.

And, let’s not forget the cherry blossoms, which were in full bloom. It was an awesome spectacle that all agreed we were lucky to view. At the end of our three-day, two-night experience, everyone was anticipating a return visit to our nation’s exciting capital city.

Our accommodations at the Crystal City Marriott were met with much praise for the comfortable rooms as well as its convenient location. We were directly above a major metro (subway) stop enabling the group to simply take the elevator down to the metro. From there, we had our choice of dozens of historical as well as entertaining points of interest. We walked, we rode, we toured, we ate – and then, we did it all over again.

Seeking input for future trip offerings, the Association asked travelers to complete a survey with participants being entered into a drawing for a special prize. As the CCC Foundation was presenting a lecture and book signing by alumna author Kim Edwards ’78 later that month, the prize was a copy of Kim’s latest book, The Lake of Dreams. The lucky winner was Dan Lepak ’69.

Unusually warm July weather did nothing to deter the hustle and bustle of activity in Times Square.

Summer in the City – New York Day Trip – July 23, 2011

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Mary O'Donnell. During her talk, Janus ‘78, an honor she shared with co-editor of the college yearbook, apparent here on campus as the from the audience. Her books and answered questions to the public. Kim spoke of her days were able to attend a pre-event talk was made into a television movie. The Memory Keeper’s Daughter and her most recent, King, of three books: up in Skaneateles, NY, is the author who was born in Texas but grew who was born in Auburn Campus. We are most grateful for everyone who has helped the Foundation support buildings and renovations; purchase the newest equipment for our students; and provide scholarships for Cayuga’s best and brightest.

Dear Alumni and Friends of ACC/CCC,

In Fulton, the Foundation is finalizing its largest capital investment yet. Our proposed purchase of the new Fulton Campus may exceed our combined investments in the Auburn Campus over the past three decades! That’s how much we believe in the future of Cayuga Community College as a transformational resource for the people of Oswego and Cayuga counties.

The third “investment” that the CCC Foundation has is, of course, you. You, our alumni and our students. Your work and success every day is a living testament to the ROI (return on investment, for you non-accounting grads) of an ACC/CCC education.

Not all of us will ever build a million-dollar portfolio. Very few of us will ever be able to write a million-dollar check for the Auburn or Fulton campus. However, all of us can invest in Cayuga Community College and our students. Your opportunity to invest will be coming soon; I hope you’ll take advantage of it.

Your support for education at Cayuga Community College makes all the difference to today’s students—our future alumni.

In the Cayuga Spirit, Jeff Hoffman

Presidents’ Circle Donor Recognition

The 25th Presidents’ Circle Donor Recognition dinner was held May 4 at the Sherwood Inn in Skaneateles, NY. The event is an opportunity for the Cayuga Community College Foundation to acknowledge the individuals, foundations and businesses that support our college.

Members making an annual gift of $1000 or more are invited to attend the festivities.

The tradition of featuring artwork by a Cayuga student for the invitation and dinner program was continued this year. Bob Dare, an Auburn High School graduate, is currently working toward a degree in Studio Art + Design.

Bob’s work was in response to a class assignment titled “Subject and Background.” He was to choose a monochromatic subject and photograph it in front of three separate backgrounds, each background color being two spaces on the color wheel from the previous color. The project displayed complementary colors and showed how one background color may make the subject stand out clearly, while another may work against the subject’s color and form.

Foundation Hosts Award-Winning Alum Author

On April 27, the CCC Foundation presented the Noreen and Michael J. Falcone Lecturer, alumna and award-winning author Kim Edwards ’78.

Ms. Edwards, who was born in Texas but grew up in Skaneateles, NY, is the author of three books: The Secrets of a Fire King, The Memory Keeper’s Daughter and her most recent, The Lake of Dreams. Kim’s debut and best-selling novel, The Memory Keeper’s Daughter, was made into a television movie.

Faculty, students and employees were able to attend a pre-event talk earlier in the day, while the evening lecture was free of charge and open to the public. Kim spoke of her days as a CCC student, read excerpts from her books and answered questions from the audience.

Kim Edwards’ writing skills were apparent here on campus as the co-editor of the college yearbook, Janus ’78, an honor she shared with Mary O’Donnell. During her talk, Kim read some passages from the yearbook as well as described how different things were then. The audience chuckled when she read an article announcing a new computer class that was being offered at Cayuga for the first time — it was Programming Basics, using cathode ray terminals.

The author spoke of what it was like to produce the yearbook back in 1978. She explained how they had to type up the articles in the column size they needed and glue them onto the layout sheet. She remarked that they had to develop the photos themselves in a dark room, and that sometimes they would come out, and sometimes they wouldn’t.

Links to purchase any of the books written by Kim Edwards can be found in the April edition of the Alumni Association’s electronic magazine, Inspire.

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Our Alumni Association benefits from a portion of the fundraising efforts put forth by the CCC Foundation. Without these unrestricted funds, it would be difficult for the Association to provide the services and activities we provide our fellow alumni, current students and the communities we serve.

We are very pleased to say that our alumni are a generous group of individuals. But, as you see from the messages in this newsletter, we have several big projects in store, and your help is needed more than ever.

Here’s what to expect from our annual appeal:

• Each alum with a current mailing address will be sent an appeal message including a self-addressed, no-postage-required return envelope.

• At the end of the year, another mailing will go out with a second chance to make a pledge, in time for tax benefits, or to thank you if you responded in the fall.

• The last phase is our annual Phone-a-Thon. During the month of March, we try to reach anyone (with a valid phone number) who hasn’t responded to the previous two mailings. If you receive their call, please take a moment to speak with them. Even if you aren’t able to make a pledge, they would love to speak with you to see how you’re doing and to ask if you have any news you would like to share.

It’s that simple. To all who took the time to speak with our callers, or sent in a pledge, we want you to know how much it is appreciated.

Students artist Bob Dare and his mother Kelly at the Presidents’ Circle dinner.


A book signing opportunity followed the lecture.
Diane M. (Wellman) Salvati ’91 received the 2010-2011 SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Classified Service. Diane is a senior typist in the Student Development Office, a position she has held since 2007.

Paul M. Richardson ’07 received the 2010-2011 SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching. Paul is an associate professor of math and teaches intermediate algebra, trigonometry, pre-calculus and statistics.

Carol A. (Wilson) MacKenzie ’74 was selected by the college’s Employee Recognition Committee to receive the 2011 “Above and Beyond Award,” which recognizes the employee who consistently goes beyond the expected by using initiative and imagination to make the college a better place to work.

Justin K. Ford ’10 was recognized by SUNY with a 2011 Chancellor’s Award for Student Excellence.

Christina M. Kosier ’11 received the SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Student Excellence. She was also one of 59 students from across SUNY/CUNY campuses named to the Phi Theta Kappa All- NY Community College Academic Team.

“A Spartan Speakers” Toastmasters Accepting New Members

A group of staff, faculty and members of the public has formed a Toastmasters club on the Auburn campus named The Spartan Speakers. Toastmasters is an international organization that began in the 1920s to help members improve their communication, public speaking and leadership skills. The club is open to the public and is in its early stages of development, so this is a wonderful opportunity for new members to become involved. The program offers members unlimited possibilities to develop personal skills as well as networking and social opportunities. Members have found the meetings to be entertaining and also personally rewarding. Meetings last one hour and a new fall schedule along with the election of officers will be voted on this fall. The group will try to choose a time that meets the needs of the membership. There are hopes of starting a chapter on the Fulton campus at some point. Anyone wishing to get more information may contact Christopher Fama at 315.255-1743 extension 2315, or by e-mail to Chris.Fama@cayuga-cc.edu

Welcome & Goodbye
New Hires (full-time) from May – September 2011 (and some previously omitted*)

NEW FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES

*June 2010 Rosemary Matt New York State Director of Accountability
*August 2010 John Taylor Dean of Information Technology
*September 2010 Marisa Boomhower Assistant to the New York State Director of Accountability
June 2011 Dan Faulkner Banner Support Specialist
September 2011 Christopher D’Arcy Instructor of Biology

BEST WISHES AS THEY MOVE ON

December 2010 Rolf Mikkelson Banner Support Specialist
April 2011 Mark Wildman Director of the Library

The Spartan www.cayuga-cc.edu/alumni
Travel Study Program

Cayuga Community College's Travel Study program, in existence for over 30 years, is the largest intersession travel study program in SUNY. Each year over 100 students from CCC and colleges around the region as well as community members participate in the program.

For this coming winter, the college again will offer a program in London and one at the Seminole Reservation in Florida. The London program offers nine different course offerings: art, business, criminal justice, health care, psychology, sociology, literature, media and World Religions. Lectures, cultural activities, and visits to historical landmarks, such as Windsor Castle and Stonehenge, are a few examples of what happens during the two-week course in London. The Florida program is a service learning experience developed just a few years ago. This program allows participants to actually work in the Seminole school for a week and to tour Florida's Native American Reservation and the Billie Swamp Safari.

For spring 2012, the college will offer a hybrid course which will provide online course work and include a mini-trip to New York City. Depending on the course students enroll in, they may visit museums and other historic sites, the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, and Wall Street, or see a Broadway show.

Dates for the London Travel Study Program are January 4-16, 2012; the Florida Program will be January 7-14, 2012. In addition, the five-week online New York City Program will begin in April, with a four-day stay in NYC in late May. Course offerings will include: media, art, business, health care, sociology, history, philosophy and music. More details to be announced.

Cayuga Reads

ACC/CCC alumni and friends are invited to participate in the Cayuga Reads program. This fall, for the sixth consecutive year, the Cayuga Community College Library will participate in the Cayuga Reads Community Shared Reading Program.

For 2011, the Cayuga Reads Committee has chosen two books related to a common theme: past and present, and the differences between generations. The main selection, The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid, by Bill Bryson, is a light-hearted memoir about growing up in the 1950s. The second selection, I Stay Near You: One Story in Three, by native Auburnian author M.E. Kerr, is a novel for young adults, the story of an ill-fated romance that affects three generations in a small city in Upstate New York.

Copies of both books will be available at the Norman F. Bourke Memorial Library on the Auburn campus of Cayuga Community College, as well as at Seymour Public Library, and school libraries in Cayuga County. Participants may read one or both books, according to their interest.

Programming in the fall will include book discussions; a lecture by native Auburnian M.E. Kerr; an open house and presentation by Ormie King about his collection of 1950s photographs and memorabilia; an essay and poetry contest; and a screening of the 1998 film “Pleasantville,” starring Toby McGuire and Reese Witherspoon.

Following are the dates and times of Cayuga Reads events at CCC:

- Monday, October 17, 7 pm: Book Discussion, Bourke Memorial Library
- Wednesday, October 19, 11 am: Book Discussion, Bourke Memorial Library
- Thursday, October 20, 7 pm: Film Screening, “Pleasantville,” Irene A. Bigsrove Community Theater, Cayuga Community College
- Wednesday, October 26, 7 pm: Open House and Talk by Ormie King, “Auburn in the 1950s,” Ormie King Collection, Local History Room, Bourke Memorial Library

Cayuga Reads is a collaborative effort of library staff and educators in Cayuga County. The program is supported by the Auburn Enlarged City School District, Cayuga Community College, Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES, Seymour Public Library, and Success by 6.

For more information, see the Cayuga Reads Facebook Page at: http://www.facebook.com/pages/Cayuga-Reads/1149581520460

Library Gallery Features Alumni Art

The new library gallery at the Auburn campus opened officially this spring featuring an exhibit of CCC alumni art work. The inaugural exhibition included two serigraphs by Michael Engler ‘01 titled “Fall” and “Transformation.” Amy Chamberlain ’99 created and donated three oil and acrylic paintings from her “Duchess of Malfi” series. These were titled “Progress through Yourself,” “Oh my unworthiness,” and “Great Madness/Great Mystery.” Also included in the exhibit were mixed media paintings created by William DeMott, adjunct art faculty at the Auburn campus.

The library gallery will continue to feature art work created by students, alumni, faculty and employees. If you are interested in exhibiting your work in the library gallery, please contact Sara Davenport at davenport@cayuga-cc.edu.

Congratulations to The Collegian Staff for earning the top award presented by the American Scholastic Press Association for 2011. At their end of the year celebration, Editor-in-chief Kat Taylor received the “Merritt Award” created by former editor-in-chief, Mathew M Kratts in honor of long-time Faculty Advisor, Mary G. Merritt. D.J. DuVall received the ‘Editor’s Award’, Jim Collins was honored with the ‘Best Regular Feature Award’ and Jamie Blumrick was honored with a ‘Best Staff Writer’ Award.
As a follow up to our “Celebrating 35 Years of Nursing at CCC” feature in the Spring! Summer 2011 edition of The Spartan, we wanted to recognize the accomplishments of some of our Nursing alumni. Recently, The Citizen in commemoration of National Nurses’ Week did a wonderful job recognizing the vital job our nurses are doing.

Joanne M. (Reyer) Olcott, RN ’06 is a Case Manager for Hospice of the Finger Lakes. As a home care nurse, Norma shares that her focus is “to anticipate and meet the needs of her patients and their families.” She said that home care nurses are able to spend the time that their patients and families require in order to provide the support and care they need; it is a holistic style of nursing. Olcott comments, “It is a very different kind of nursing; not a job or a duty, but an honor and privilege. I feel like I am making a difference.”

Nurse Manager for Lifetime Care, Lisa (Camardo) Minnroe, RN ’89, explains that as a certified home care agency, they promote wellness in the home for clients after surgery or a diagnosed illness. She believes, “Home care nursing is rewarding because we are able to support a client’s recovery at home after surgery and see their transition to wellness.” For those with chronic disease, they are able to coordinate resources that maintain or improve quality of life. Minnroe said that she likes the energy in the OR and the camaraderie between the nurses and the doctors. “My eyes are the last thing a patient sees before going to sleep, they feel my hand on their shoulder or arm, and they hear my voice saying ‘We’ll take good care of you,’” shared Kathy. DeForest said that she plans to work in the OR until she retires.

Caren M. (Capace) Radell, RN ’87 has been Nursing Supervisor for the Auburn Enlarged City School District for the past ten years. Her long list of responsibilities includes physicals and immunizations; consultation on potential public health matters; CPR/AED training and management of AED compliance; education of students, parents and staff on health matters; assisting in NYS mandatory screenings; and much more. Caren shares that the most enjoyable aspect of her job is the children. “The smile of a child you have helped makes it all worthwhile.” She chose her latest career after many years in the Intensive Care Unit and Emergency Department in Level 1 and Level 2 trauma centers. In her new career, she wanted to make an impact in her community and has always loved working with children. While juggling all of her duties is the most challenging part of her job, she said that being a good communicator and being able to prioritize helps. Radell adds that she is proud of being a registered professional nurse and takes great satisfaction in knowing she has contributed to the well being of others.

The Citizen also shared an interview with ‘then nursing student – now new graduate’, Christopher J. Reilly ’11. When asked about his decision to become a nurse, Chris said that he had decided to become a nurse for several reasons: He has always found sciences and the human body fascinating, and he also found great satisfaction with helping others. Because he is looking to gain a good base for his nursing career, following graduation he was looking to start out on a general medicine floor. His ultimate goal is to someday become a nurse practitioner. He shared that he enjoyed the clinical rotations the most, gaining experience for the field in which he would soon be working. As a student, Reilly said, “It’s no secret that nursing school is very demanding, and it’s essential that you complete your tasks in an organized and timely manner.” Christopher said that his aunt, Kathy VanBuren, is a wonderful nurse, a compassionate and empathetic person, and has supported him throughout nursing school.

As Director of Nursing Education Linda Alifieri stated in our last issue, “A Cayuga nurse is educated to use his/her head, hands and heart to practice the art and science of nursing. Caring, competence, collaboration and commitment are essential to the professionalism of a Cayuga graduate.” No doubt we can agree that these remarkable nurses help to bring a sense of peace, calm, and security to those in need of their services.

Accounting Students Help County Residents CA$H In

For the third year in a row, CCC was the host site for the CA$H for Cayuga County program. CA$H, which stands for Creating Assets, Savings, and Hope, is a free tax preparation program administered through the United Way of Cayuga County. IRS certified volunteers assist individuals and families, who are in the low to moderate income level, by preparing their federal and New York state tax return free of charge. The CA$H program, which was started six years ago, not only provides Cayuga County residents, but CCC students as well. Second-year accounting students gain experience and knowledge as they help community members prepare their tax returns. This year, seven current accounting students and three former students generously volunteered their time for the CA$H program.

In 2011 there were 737 tax returns prepared which resulted in approximately $1.7 million in refunds to Cayuga County residents. CCC accounting students who participated in the CA$H program deserve a big thank you for their time and commitment to helping the community.
CCC’s Nursing Department held its thirty-sixth annual Professional Advancement and Pinning Ceremony on May 20. Each of the twenty-eight candidates was awarded an Associate in Applied Science degree and has now joined us as members of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association.

New alum who received the 2011 Commencement Nursing Awards included:

**Madeleine Alfieri Memorial Nursing Award**
Christine F. Hisel (Fulton campus)

**Vicki Cook Condie Nursing Excellence Award**
Kelly A. Kehinde (Fulton campus)

**Virginia (Dent) Greenfield Memorial Award**
Melissa T. Holmes and Brian T. Newcomb (Auburn campus)

**Ethyl W. Mapes Nursing Award**
Tami J. Denson and Christopher J. Reilly (Auburn campus)

**William J. Painter Memorial Award**
Sharon R. Lupien and Lisa A. Wride (Auburn campus)

**Dorothy M. Rooker Award**
Jennifer R. Nickolas (Fulton campus)

**Dr. George Sincerbeaux Pediatric Scholarship**
Matthew A. Grover (Auburn campus)

**Wilfred “Sonny” Taylor Memorial Award**
Sharon R. Lupien (Auburn campus)

**Shirley Vargason Memorial Award**
Melissa T. Holmes (Auburn campus)

**Herbert P. Ward Memorial Award**
Sara J. Lawson Fleury (Auburn campus)

**Joan Post Worden Memorial Scholarship**
Chad C. Goodell and Meghan C. Shaw (Auburn campus)

The CCC Nursing Wall of Fame is ready for your viewing! Graduation pictures of each nursing class since 1976 are on display in the Spartan Hall corridor across from the Nursing Department’s office suite. “Cayuga has a rich history of graduating exemplary nurses; it is a wonderful tribute to our tradition of excellence,” states Linda Alfieri, Director of Nursing. “We are proud of our Cayuga nurses!” Over fifteen hundred graduates are honored on the Nursing Wall of Fame.
Cast and crew of *When I come to My Senses I’m Alive* celebrate the final curtain of their show.

Joe Prue, Lauren Maltese, Alicia Frame, Dylan Thompson, Tarin Bonvino

Kenny Baker and Alicia Frame
Another opening, another show . . . No, Harlequin Productions of CCC did not change its format and decide to produce Kiss me, Kate. Original straight plays are still our forte and we had a great one during the spring semester. When I Come To My Senses, I’m Alive graced the CCC stage in March. This was only the second performance of this avant-garde science fiction piece. The Seattle playwright, Scotto Moore, flew across the country to attend the second weekend of performances. He was thrilled with our work, complimenting us on our abilities and the obvious love and respect we showed for his play.

When I Come To My Senses, I’m Alive is the story of Annique, a woman who has invented a way to record and playback her emotional responses to a stimulus. Her invention is really only accessible on the Internet by hobbyists who can build their own equipment, but a media corporation tries to buy the invention so they can main-stream it and exploit it to sell their shows. Annique refuses to sell so the corporation begins plans to steal it. While all this is going on, a strange presence begins to awaken. This presence begins as child-like but quickly grows to omnipotence, even gaining the ability to expand beyond the web into the energy grid. Through a series of events, the presence is caged but there are still vestiges trapped within Annique.

When I Come To My Senses, I’m Alive was technical tour de force. The fifteen student actors and crew members were able to work on a set created by Broadway scenic designer, Robert John Andrusko. The lighting and the large video component of the show were designed by Boston-based Brad McLean. Alumna Allison F. (Day) Fennessy ’96 designed the costumes, while CCC sophomore Joe Campanella created the sound design for this near-future production. CCC webmaster Adam Williams fashioned an eye-catching poster. Harlequin producer and advisor Bob Frame directed the play.

With this play Harlequin Productions says goodbye to sophomore actors Tarin Bonvino and Kenny Baker, both of whom were involved in every play offered during their time at Cayuga. Joe Campanella, Lizzy Fennessy and Joe Prue also finished their Cayuga career with When I Come To My Senses, I’m Alive but left the club in good hands with the talented freshmen who shared the stage with them. Harlequin audiences should look forward to the continued work of Alicia Frame, Lauren Maltese, John Murphy, Ciara Hirsch, Dylan Thompson and Rachel Bodner, assisted by the backstage talents of Taylor Hildreth, Richard Smith, Caryl Frame, Hector Padilla and Michael Smith.

The Auburn Players Production of Two Women and a Chair gave a successful performance at the Eastern States Theatre Festival held in Pottstown, PA. The production company all had connections to CCC: the actresses were Carole J. Estabrook ’00 and Alicia Frame (CCC freshman). The backstage crew consisted of stage manager, Ann M. (Rose) Frame ’89; lights, Caryl Frame (CCC Sophomore); sound, Ellen M. Baumes ’87; and director, Bob Frame (CCC’s Director of Theatre Operations). There was some very strong competition at this “best of six states” festival. Our actresses received a well-deserved acclamation of Outstanding Achievement in Ensemble Acting.
University Center Updates

Have you been waiting for the opportunity to earn an advanced degree that will transfer the credits you’ve already earned? Would you prefer locally taught courses that fit your family and work schedule? The University Center on the Cayuga Community College campus will connect you to a variety of affordable bachelor and master degrees.

While earning credits toward a degree, these locally available programs will allow you to match a preferred program of study with your busy schedule at convenient times that fit with your work or family life. Advanced degrees are provided on the Auburn campus in the areas of: Business Administration, Criminal Justice, Health Care Management, Human Services, Nursing, Organizational Management, Sociology, Social Work, and Teacher Certification. There are also degree programs in the Arts as well as Cultural, Historical, and Labor Studies. Other degree programs are planned for the future.

There are a variety of options available to you:
- Participate in the Study on Sunday program in Auburn
- Focus on one course taken once a week for two years
- Attend classes with your adult peers at night after work
- Have 24/7 access to on-line coursework

Quality instruction in employable programs of study, offered at convenient times and close to home, are the hallmarks of the University Center at Cayuga. You can earn a degree by studying part time while learning from upper division college faculty teaching on Cayuga’s campus. Your investment of time and energy will advance your career and increase your earning potential.

For more information: visit www.cayuga-cc.edu and click on “University Center”; or call (315) 294-5867; or email michael.greene@cayuga-cc.edu

Telcom Department News

Choral Recording

CCC’s Telcom Department recently invited members of Marcellus High School’s select chorus, True Sounds, to digitally record some songs from their latest repertoire in the college’s state-of-the-art sound recording studio. It’s all part of the Telcom Department’s initiative to introduce entrepreneurial experiences to students through a company the department created called Cayuga Records. Students manage and oversee the company’s operations. Cayuga Records has made a number of recordings that are available for purchase.

Commencement Exercises Coordinator Par Excellence

Mel Brown may have retired as director of human resources, but he had one last task to fulfill – the coordination of CCC’s fifty-seventh commencement ceremony. Mel has chaired the annual commencement exercises since 1981. Though officially retired since February 2010, he came back to organize his 31st commencement this past May. During his tenure at the college, Mel has also organized three college presidential inaugurations. Mel recently commented, “It was always fun. No matter how much work it was, it was always fun doing it for the kids.”
Since my last communication with you, much has changed for CCC’s Fulton Campus. First of all, it has been officially announced that the college is purchasing the former P&C property at the River Glen Plaza, located on Rte. 481 as one heads out of Fulton south towards Syracuse. Discussions are also underway to secure the remainder of the plaza. At this point, this means that the college can begin working on a plan to begin renovations with an anticipated 2012 move-in date.

And so, in the early part of May 2011, I joined Karin Green, the JMZ Architect on this project, to design and facilitate a series of sessions for the purpose of soliciting student, faculty, and staff input on the design of the new Fulton Campus. Three types of sessions were offered including 12 departmental sessions, three student/employee open forums, and two theme-driven sessions. An online survey was made available as well to both students and employees. A total of 244 students, faculty, and staff actively participated in the sessions and completed the survey. Of that number, approximately 50% were students and 50%, employees.

There is a very natural and normal mix of excitement and anxiety at the Fulton Campus these days – excitement for the much-needed changes, for more breathing room on campus, for better campus visibility, for more parking, and so on and so on; and anxiety because there are so many unknowns and lots of change coming. And change impacts people differently. Overall, however, the energy is positive and forward-looking as Cayuga Community College’s Fulton Campus turns yet another historic corner on the road to growth in Oswego County.

Submitted by Maggie Killoran, Associate VP/Dean of the Fulton Campus
Spartan Athletes Earn Honors

NJCAA Headquarters in Colorado Springs, CO, is pleased to release the names of the 2010-2011 NJCAA Academic Student-Athlete Awards. Over 1470 NJCAA student-athletes met the requirements for individual academic honors. The 2010-2011 season marks the 28th year the NJCAA has recognized the success of its student-athletes in the classroom. With minimal changes, the NJCAA academic awards program has been in place since 1983.

NOTE: The NJCAA Academic Student-Athlete Awards were previously known as NJCAA Academic All-American honors. The NJCAA has renamed its academic awards program to the NJCAA Academic Student-Athlete Awards. Over 1470 NJCAA student-athletes were recognized. The awards program has been in place since 1983.

Congratulations to the following Spartans who were recognized:

- David Hotelling
  - Superior Academic Achievement (Men’s Soccer - 3.97 GPA)
- Brandi O’Hara
  - Superior Academic Achievement (Women’s Volleyball - 3.96 GPA)
- Stefanie Spinney
  - Exemplary Academic Achievement (Women’s Soccer/Bowling/Golf - 3.64 GPA)
- Atira Hepworth
  - Exemplary Academic Achievement (Women’s Volleyball - 3.61 GPA)

Men’s Lax Players Named All-MSAC

Congratulations to Matt Festa (Auburn, NY) and Nate Nelson (Lancaster, PA) for making the 2011 Mid-State Athletic All-Conference Men’s Lacrosse Team. Festa led the Spartan offense with 25 goals and 10 assists. Nelson anchored the Spartan’s zone defense with an aggressive style of play and was responsible for 42 ground balls on the season. Freshman defenseman Mike Galka (Auburn, NY) also received some votes from the Mid-State Athletic Conference coaches who select the team.

Athletics to Launch New Website

The Spartans will be launching their new website for intercollegiate athletics at Cayuga Community College prior to the Fall 2011 sports season. The website’s address will be www.cayugaspartans.com and has been contracted out through PrestoSports, which specializes in athletic website content management systems.

The site will continue to provide program information such as rosters, team photos, coaches, and schedules for all teams. It will also have added features that include individual student-athlete profiles and, eventually, team and player statistics.

Athletic Director Pete Liddell is pleased to announce this new site: “We’re excited to be working with PrestoSports. This will be a bit of a challenge in that we don’t have a dedicated staff person to handle sports information duties. However, we have had a group of coaches that have been learning how to input information for teams into the system this summer. The website will have some features and some links that will be new and useful to anyone interested in Spartan athletics. Teams will be able to promote their programs with headline stories as well. Down the road, we hope to have full-fledged statistical information for each program in athletics. Links to the NJCAA and Region III websites will be available along with linkage to LiveSportVideo, Victory Sports Medicine and other vendors with whom we do business. We hope to launch the site in mid to late-August in time for next year’s sports seasons.”

CCC Golf Qualifies for Regionals

Katie Tonzi is a Medalist at MSAC

The Men’s Golf Team qualified as a team to participate in the NJCAA Region III Golf Championships at Cortland Country Club hosted by TC3 on May 16-17. The team is currently ranked 6th in Region III. Leading the way for the Spartans with the top two scoring averages are Steve Dec (Auburn, NY) and Harrison Davenport (Auburn, NY). Rounding out the squad for the regionals are Steve Titus (Auburn, NY), James Nervina (Cato, NY) and David Keiler (Waterloo, NY), all who finished in the top 5 scoring averages for the team.

Women’s golfer Katie Tonzi (Auburn, NY) won medalist honors at the Mid-State Athletic Conference Tournament at Corning CC. Tonzi finished as medalist or runner-up in all of the Region III matches in which she participated.

CCC Sports Schedule

Fall Home Games

Women’s Volleyball

Men’s Soccer

Sept. 7 Corning CC* 5:00pm
Sept. 10 Mohawk Valley CC 1:00pm
Sept. 17 Broome CC* 3:00pm
Sept. 24 Fulton-Montgomery CC 3:00pm
Oct. 1 Alfred State College 2:00pm
Oct. 5 Erie CC 5:00pm
Oct. 14 Finger Lakes CC* 4:30pm
Oct. 18 Niagara CC 4:30pm

Women’s Soccer

Sept. 7 Corning CC* 3:00pm
Sept. 10 Mohawk Valley CC 3:00pm
Sept. 17 Broome CC* 1:00pm
Sept. 24 Fulton-Montgomery CC* 1:00pm
Oct. 1 Alfred State College 12:00pm
Oct. 5 Erie CC 3:00pm
Oct. 14 Finger Lakes CC* 2:30pm
Oct. 18 Niagara CC 2:30pm

Men’s Basketball

Nov. 1 Fulton-Montgomery CC 7:30pm
Nov. 8 Alfred State College 7:30pm
Nov. 19 Clinton CC 4:00pm
Nov. 20 SUNY Delhi 3:00pm
Dec. 10 Schenectady CC 3:00pm

Women’s Basketball

Nov. 1 Fulton-Montgomery CC 5:30pm
Nov. 8 Alfred State College 5:30pm
Nov. 19 Clinton CC 2:00pm
Nov. 20 SUNY Delhi 1:00pm
Nov. 30 Word of Life 5:30pm
Dec. 10 Schenectady CC 1:00pm

Women’s Volleyball

Aug. 31 Broome CC* 6:00pm
Sept. 7 Tompkins-Cortland CC* 6:00pm
Sept. 21 Finger Lakes CC* 6:00pm

CCC Sports Schedule

*Mid-State Athletic Conference Games

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With continued enthusiasm, for over 42 years, Judo Instructor- ‘Sensei’-PE Professor Peter Petrosino has taught, promoted, and followed with pride the care of numerous students among the thousands who enrolled in his Judo classes. The Alumni Association recently assisted Petrosino in his quest to reconnect with many more of his former students with an ad in the Spring/ Summer 2011 edition of The Spartan. During conversations with Pete, we continue to marvel at the correlation between the required dedication and discipline of Judo students, and the remarkable achievements attained by these same individuals. While some did not continue their Judo pursuits, they all remarked that its teachings have been useful in their everyday life. We thought you would like to see some of the responses he received, along with a few other ‘stories’ we acquired.

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Ralph Fall ’57 retired from Oneonda County Water in 1998.

Thomas J. Klink ’61 retired in 1987 from Auburn School District as a teacher. He shares that he “enjoyed my time at ACC.”

William J. “Bill” Keough ’62 has been married for 46 years, as of August 2011, to Donna Keough, who is the Plymouth Historical Museum Exhibits Director. He retired in 2006 and they have “four wonderful grandchildren.” He also shares “So many micro-brewed beers to try… so little time.”

Linda L. (Loomis) Lynch ’62 retired in 2005 from Internal Medicine Associates of Auburn as a manager. She is married to Francis J. Lynch.

Jeanne M. (Halici) Lindeman ’64 retired from OCM BOCES as a Special Education teacher in 2007. She is married to Richard Lindeman.

Joseph M. Nemeck ’64 and his wife Dorothy both retired from NYSEG after 33 years of service. They have two children and two grandchildren. The Nemecks enjoy traveling, outdoor activities, and spending time with their grandchildren, ages 13 & 10.

William “Bill” Elkovitch ’65 and his wife Lucy became the proud grandparents to Wyatt Joseph, son of Scott and wife Landy Elkovitch.

Lorraine Florczyk ’65 “happily” retired from Oriskany Central Schools in 2000.

John C. ’65 and Sandra L. (Brunet) ’66 Pinckney are both retired and “loving it!” Sandra retired from Loretto as an R.N. and John retired from Lockheed Martin as a Systems Analyst. They have two grandsons and one granddaughter. Two are in Alaska and one in Memphis, where they live, and they are enjoying them immensely. They spent the winter in Florida with her mother and were planning a trip to Alaska for their oldest grandson’s graduation this past summer.

William H. Tenity ’65 recently attended a “Wild Wild West” party with other past and present staff from the Auburn School District. The staff reunited prior to West Middle School’s impending scheduled closing. Bill retired in 1998, but still substitutes at the new junior high school. The Citizen quoted Bill as saying, “Right now, I’m feeling good seeing all these people I worked with for so many years, and also sadness to see the school closing.” You can read more about Tenity in this issue of the Spartan as he was one of this year’s ACC/CCC Alumni Award recipients.

Cheryl E. (Suborski) Gabak ’66 is working part time at Hospice of the Finger Lakes after retiring from Auburn Memorial Hospital as a credit manager in July 2010. She is married to George Gabak.

Earle ’66 and Susan ’66 Thurston celebrated the marriage of their son David Bradley to Stephanie Lynn Hutchinson on September 4, 2010.

Charles R. Hart ’67 is still working part time for Finger Lakes Communication Co.

Nancy J. (Blanchard) Soules ’67 is retired and helps care for her 92-year-old mother. Her husband David retired from Butler Correctional Facility in February 2010. Nancy and her husband are enjoying their retirement with travel and have visited Savannah, GA; New Hampshire; Branson, MO; and Florida.

Susan J. Grinnell ’68 enjoys helping out with a local sewing group.

Carol P. Colbert ’68/’81 is retired from Auburn Memorial Hospital and her husband retired from Auburn Correctional Facility. They now have two great-grandchildren, Natalie and Noah.


David A. Miller ’68 retired from USDA’s Rural Development as Community Program Director in January of this year.

Michael T. Adey ’69 veteran high school basketball coach was inducted into the New York State Basketball Hall of Fame on March 20, 2011, the day after his New York Mills Marauders had ended a perfect 24-0 season with a New York State Class D championship title. New York Mills’ last state championship was in 1982, but this was the first for Coach Adey. Congratulations!

James Hutchinson ’69 and his wife Janie celebrated the marriage of their daughter Stephanie Lynn Hutchinson to David Bradley Thurston on September 4, 2010. Jim is a past Alumni Award recipient.

Francis Netti ’69 Senior Vice President Investments at Wells Fargo Advisers has been named a member of the company’s “Premier Advisors Program,” for the fifth consecutive year. According to the company, this status reflects outstanding client service. A financial advisor with Wells Fargo for 34 years, Frank lives in Auburn with his wife Deb and their three children.

Richard ’69 and Joanne ’70 Piccirico became grandparents to Caden Dominic, son of Natasha King and Will Piccirico on April 8, 2011. Caden was 8 pounds 8 ounces. Congratulations!

Charles L. Beardsey ’71 shared that following high school, he joined the Navy. While it took a few years to complete his ACC education, he transferred to SUNY Brockport where he earned his bachelor’s degree and then his master’s from the University of Binghamton. He has taught on Long Island, at Hofstra University and in Baltimore. He is now teaching ESL at a community college; his wife is a full-time physician. He is enjoying having his 20-year-old son close to home while attending the University of Maryland.

Janet E. (Hoskins) Klimek ’71 and her husband David announce the engagement of their son, John, to Nicole Wallack. John graduated from RIT with a degree in mechanical engineering technology and is employed with BVR Construction Co., Inc. as an operations manager. His fiancée also graduated from RIT with a degree in information technology. She is employed as a network administrator with the Rochester City School District. A September 4, 2011 wedding was planned.

Joan M. (Bronson) Muldoon ’71 retired as a school library media specialist and winters in Florida.

Virginia F. Androsko ’72 retired from Auburn Correctional Facility as an R.N. in 2006.

Helen C. (Chapman) Eschelman ’72 is retired from the U.S. Department of Justice. She and her family have 19 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

Marilyn H. Higgins ’73 is the Vice President of Community Engagement and Economic Development at Syracuse University. She is President of the Fisher Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Inc. Board, a member of the Board of Directors of the Syracuse Center of Excellence in Environmental and Energetic Systems, the CNY Regional Alliance, the Morrisville College Foundation, and the Syracuse Chamber of Commerce. Past and present honors and awards she has received include Post Standard Woman of Achievement, Rhea Eckel Clark Citizenship Award, Spirit of American Women Award and SUNY’s Distinguished Alumni Award. The Near West Side Initiative bought the Case Supply building five years ago, and Pro Literacy Worldwide, a nonprofit international organization that promotes adult literacy, is also moving into the building. Recently Marilyn spoke about the Near West Side Initiative and said, “This is a game-changer. We are going to have the public broadcasting station of the future in what was once one of the poorest neighborhoods in the United States.”

Patricia J. Moy ’73 said that ACC/CCC was the best college she has attended. Thank you, Patricia!

Joyce E. (Fote) Smith ’72 retired from Oneida Area Day Care Center as a teacher in 2007. Since then, she has enjoyed her retirement by traveling and visiting family members. Her husband Robert J. Smith has passed away. Joyce’s son Travis is in AmeriCorps based in Sacramento, CA.

Natalie A. Edmunds ’74 was among several women honored by the Auburn Zonta Club at its first Yellow Rose Presentation Ceremony held March 10 in honor of the 100th anniversary of International Women’s Day. Sponsors nominated women whom they felt made a significant contribution in their lives. Natalie received from ACC/CCC’s Financial Aid Office in 1996. She holds a bachelor’s degree from Empire State College.

Theresa A. (Pagano) Holmes ’74 is married to David W. Holmes. She is employed as a teacher in the Auburn School District.

Stephen D. Padula ’74 contacted the Alumni Office via e-mail and commented about our “Then and Now” article featuring Harry Greer in our February issue of Inspire e-magazine. Steve shared that Greer was a professor of his and that his classes got him “hooked” on natural resources and environmental science. Stephen has ended up spending a career in the environmental field and was interested in reconnecting with his alma mater. “The Alumni Association was happy to provide this “free trip” down memory lane and to recognize the college’s inspirational resources.”

Judith A. Ruta ’74 retired in October 2009 from Oswego County BOCES after nearly 30 years as a special education teacher. She now owns her own photography business, “Peaceful Path Photography Cards & Framed Works.” Judith shares, “Now my lifetime hobby has become a bit of a money maker, along with great enjoyment.”

Dale E. McComber ’75 has retired. His wife is employed with Community General Hospital.

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Wayne Hoskins '76

Congratulations to Wayne and his wife Bonnie. On July 25, 2010, their daughter Erica Kaitlynn married Jacob Michael Cramer. Erica is employed in an attorney’s office in Tucson, AZ, and her husband is a PhD student at the University of Arizona.

Susan E. Secaur ‘76 is working for BOCES as a teacher’s aide. She is married to David DeCaro and they now have two “beautiful” grandchildren, Dylan, 4, and Mason, 10 months. Susan said that she hopes to continue to work toward her master’s degree this summer.

Cheryl A. Foster, RNC, MSN, PNP, FDO ’77 brought the idea of “The Healing Field: Field of Hopes and Dreams” to Hoopes Park last Memorial Day. Last year the event was a great achievement, resulting in more than 1200 flags flying. This year, the event was, once again, a huge success with a display of almost 2300 flags. Cheryl was quoted in the Post-Standard as saying, “We got such a positive response. Just seeing it was breath taking. The whole scenery, Hoopes Park and the weather was beautiful.” Cheryl is a recipient of this year’s ACC/CCC Alumni Award.

John Bauso ’78 became a grandfather to Autumn Elizabeth, daughter of Cassandra Bauso and David Kimler on March 10, 2011. Autumn was 7 pounds. Congratulations!

Johan Lehtonen ’79

won the election for Mayor of Union Springs this past March. He had held the position of trustee prior to his election.

Mary Lawson ’79 and her husband Douglas became grandparents to Allyson Marie, daughter of Lisa Lawson ’03 and Jason Keys on March 15, 2011. Allyson was 7 pounds 9 ounces. Congratulations!

Justin J. Thomas ’80 is employed by NYS Department of Corrections, Auburn Facility, as Deputy Superintendent for Programs.

Cheryl ’82 and Richard ’84 Sharpl was adopted grandparents to Ethan Matthew, son of Lauren Sharpl and Joel Towne on March 12, 2011. Ethan was 8 pounds 2 ounces. Congratulations!

Teresa L. Burke ’86 works for Upstate University Hospital.

Connie J. Jr. ’86 and Debra A. (Turner) Dalavo ’86 have been married for 20 years and are the parents of three teenagers. Debra has been employed with Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES since 2005. For the past two years, she has been the Tournament Coordinator for the region’s Odyssey of the Mind program. In May 2010 their family accompanied their son’s team to the Odyssey of the Mind World Finals in Michigan. They felt that the experience was “awesome.”

Steven Byrne ’87 and his wife Pamela have become grandparents to Sophia Mae Sherwood on March 17, 2011. Their daughter Katrina is married to David Sherwood of Brockport.

John M. ’88 and Nicolette B. (DeSocio) Hae ’89 have three children. John is a retired Master Sergeant in the U.S. Marine Corps/Reserve after 20 years of service. He graduated in 2008 from Keuka College with a B.A. in Business Administration and is employed with NYS Department of Correctional Services. Nicki is currently attending Onondaga School of Therapeutic Massage and is employed with Lasca’s Restaurant.

Thomas W. White ’92 was recently promoted to Director of Operations for Time Warner Cable Sports in the Northeast. Tom has had a long history with TWC, where he started as a Master Control Operator in 1992 and worked his way up through the ranks from an engineering role in the mid 1990s. His most recent role at TWC was as a Production/Engineering Manager, where he managed the successful production of countless studio shows and field events for TWC’s sports channels in Upstate New York. We would like to congratulate Tom for his wish him continued success.

Stacey J. (Saben) Cummings ’93 shared: “I am now enrolled back in school.

Joel L. ’95 and Patricia L. (DeLue) GLimpse are employed with Verizon Communications, Inc. and Welch-Allyn Inc.

Lizbeth S. (Lannon) Doty ’96 is married to Randy L. Doty and works as a typist for Seneca County. Liz’s education that began in 1968 was put on hold but was finally completed with an A.A.S. Accounting degree in 1996. “Thank you, ACC/CCC, for top-notch professors and comfortable surroundings for this ‘non-traditional’ student. I am glad that I can stay at home.” Liz also shared that her daughter, Patricia Bennett, will be graduating in December with a degree in Childhood Education. With all of this, all of their children will have attended ACC/CCC!

Jeffrey David Lamphere ’96 is engaged to Cynthia Elizabeth Padula. Jeff graduated from SUNY Morrisville and RIT and is employed as an environmental engineering and compliance manager of a global power generation company. He is also the owner of Lamphere’s Auto & Marine in Canandaigua. His fiancée graduated from Le Moyne College and Baldwin Wallace College and is employed as a chemistry and physics teacher at the Port Byron School District. She is also a real estate broker with Murphy Real Estate. The wedding was planned for June 24, 2011.

Michael R. Frame ’98 is Director of Federal Relations and Major Gifts Officer for the Division of Research for Binghard Children’s Trust. He serves as the main point of contact between BU and Congress and federal agencies in order to get legislation passed which is important to the University. Michael represents the University’s interests to the federal government and seeks to influence its actions when the University’s interests may be affected. He works with higher education associations to respond to legislative, regulatory and budget actions affecting higher education and also serves as a resource for faculty, staff and administrators by providing assistance and information on governmental information, contacts and resources. In addition, Michael was recently named as interim director of the SUNY Office of Federal Relations. He will hold this position until a permanent applicant can be found. Michael is the son of Robert ‘Bo’ Frame, Director of Theatre Operations for CCC.

William B. Bolha ’99 shares that while he was very proud to have graduated magna cum laude after 12 years of night school and many hours of study back in 1999, he has found an even prouder moment. Bill served as a Red Cross Volunteer during the SGO Blood Drive for the second time and is very impressed with the student donors. They achieved a goal of 114% during the drive. He said that “enlightens this heart of 64!”

She wanted to thank Sue for “making her in the right place many years ago when Sue told her she would regret not getting her associate’s degree one day. King wanted to point out that she just completed her bachelor’s degree, is happily married, has three kids, and is working with. A May 12, 2012 wedding is planned.

Jacqueline A. Scholz ’01 has recently been hired by Seneca Falls Savings Bank as its customer service representative for the bank’s new location on North Seward Avenue in Auburn. A bank representative said that they are thrilled to have Jackie as part of their team and that she “brings a strong local community connection to their Auburn staff.” She and her husband James have five children.

Danielle Kristen Turner ’99 married Aarthi of Brahney on June 19, 2010. Danielle is employed by Walmart as a training coordinator and her husband is employed by the New York State Department of Corrections as a corrections officer. Following their wedding trip to the Dominican Republic, the couple is living in Auburn.

Carrie L. (Holl) King ’00 recently called Sue Witmer ’90, Director of Fulton Operations (and her former advisor). She wanted to thank Sue for “representing her in the right place for the right thing.” Sue, on the other hand, shared that she has been very impressed with Carrie since first speaking to her. Carrie shared that she often tells the women she works with her story about the advisor that “made” her go to school!!

David H. Harkness ’01 became engaged to Lindsey Ann Mastropietro ’06.

Lindsey graduated from Buffalo State College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Social Work and Roberts Wesleyan College with a master’s in social work. She is employed as a clinical visitation worker for the Salvation Army of Syracuse. David earned his associate degree in criminal justice from CCC and is employed as a deputy sheriff with the Cayuga County Sheriff’s Department. A May 12, 2012 wedding is planned.

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Lisa L. (Stone) Condres '02 was recently featured in the “Lake Life” section of The Citizen prior to the start of a new 12-week weight loss program that she leads. Lisa, as organizer of the Weight Loss Challenge, said that “The goal is to develop a new understanding of what good nutrition is.” She feels that it is not just about weight loss, but also about getting healthy and staying that way.

Jacqueline Ann Burger '03 married Ryan David Morrell on August 28, 2010. Jacqueline graduated from SUNY Oswego and is employed at Hillside Cortland and SUNY Oswego. Her husband graduated from SUNY Oswego as a credentialed alcohol and substance abuse counselor. Her husband graduated from SUNY Oswego and started working for Carrier in 2010. He recently earned his Master of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering in 2010. He recently completed training for Carrier Corporation.

Adam David Klimik '05 married Megan Danielle Turner on June 24, 2011. Adam graduated from SUNY Brockport and the University of South Carolina. Megan earned her degree in Criminal Justice. He is employed as a state trooper with the South Carolina Highway Patrol. She is employed at The Early Childhood Center.

Julie M. Tucker '05 was recognized in May at the New York State Dietetic Association’s spring conference where she was named ‘New York State Young Dietitian of the Year’ for 2011. Julie serves on committees in the New York Dietetic Association and serves as a student nutritionist for Carrier Corporation.

Melissa Crofoot '06 has been a physical education teacher at Oswego County Opportunities Youth & Family Services. She is employed as a youth worker at Horizon House. Crofoot graduated from SUNY Oswego. Melissa Anne Ruston '06 and Michael John Dello Stritto were married on October 2, 2010. Melissa graduated from the University of Phoenix and St. John Fisher College and is employed at Unity House. Her husband graduated from Morrisville College and the Culinary Institute of America. He is employed at Curley’s Restaurant. After a wedding trip to Aruba, the couple is living in Oswego.

Deborah Troncone '03 recently wrote to say, “The mission at SUNY Cattaraugus is to ‘achieve my goal of becoming an R.N., along with the B.S. in Psychology’.” She is employed at WCNH.

James D. Casasanta '04 graduated from Binghamton University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering in 2008 and earned his Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering in 2010. He recently completed training for Carrier Corporation.

Antonia Marie Scollan '06 was named to the dean’s list for the fall 2010 semester at SUNY Binghamton, Decker School of Nursing.

Leslee Lynn White '06 is engaged to Joseph Edward Wollek. Leslea is employed by South Seneca Ambulance and her fiancé works for Cahoons Farms. An August 13, 2011 wedding was planned.

Amanda Leigh Carbary '07 was named to the dean’s list for the fall 2010 semester at SUNY Fredonia.

Raymond J. Casper '07 recently graduated from RIT and called upon long-time ACC/CCC professor Don Fama for some job hunting help. Don was happy to report that Ray is now working for Electric Boat Corporation in Groton, CT, as a testing engineer. Electric Boat has established standards of excellence in the design, construction and lifecycle support of submarines for the US Navy and employs 10,500 people within their five plant locations.

Colleen MacKenzie Sadlik '08, daughter of Aden '82 and Carol MacKenzie '74, earned her bachelor’s of fine arts degree in Industrial Design from Rochester Institute of Technology. She is pursuing employment in the field of product design. She was encouraged to apply for this opportunity by her professor, Margaret Sadlik '08, who was appointed to the National Academy of Design.

Amanda Rose Carnder '10 is engaged to Joseph Michael Crawford Jr. Amanda is employed at The Early Childhood Center; her fiancé is employed with Triple J Renovations and serves in the U.S. Army Reserves. A September wedding is planned.

Colleen MacKenzie Sadlik '08 was named to the dean’s list for the fall 2010 semester at Wells College.

Paul McBride '11 shares that he extracurricular activities and awards include: National Honor Society, Boys State, President-Model United Nations Club, football, and is a系 tutor. Recently, he has been appointed to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. He had received Congressman Arcuri’s nomination in 2008 and had decided to re-apply to the U.S. Military Academy this year.

Victoria Miller '11 was featured in The Citizen’s “Lake Life” section this past year. At the time she was still a student at CCC, she was working in an art studio. Interviewed while working at a coffee shop, she shared that she enjoys hot air ballooning and photography. We wish her the best of luck.

GOLDEN SPARTANS

The “Golden Spartans Club” was initiated in 2004 by former Alumni Director Elisabeth Hurley to recognize our alumni who had graduated 50 years (or more) ago. If you fit into our “Golden Spartan” category, we’d love to hear from you!

Edward C. Gillett ’57

Ed Gillett, a 1957 graduate of ACC and one of our Golden Spartans, makes a yearly visit from his home in Southern California to Auburn to see his mother, now 102, and his two sisters, living locally. Invited to share his story, Ed willingly took some time from yard maintenance to do so. Ed was one of the “pioneer” students (Dr. Skinner’s term for students from those initial first six years). One of 120 freshmen to enroll in 1955, he was one of 51 to graduate in the Class of 1957. He recalls graduating earlier, in February, because of previous college credits. The gender breakdown in his class was approximately 75% male and 25% female, not unusual given that Korean War Veterans were accessing GI Bills’ education benefits. His years at ACC, where he earned a degree in business, were followed by two years at the University of Buffalo School of Business where he continued his undergraduate studies, receiving a Bachelor’s degree in business.

Meghan Lynn MacKay '03 & Anthony John Ragucci Jr. '93 were married on July 24, 2010. Meghan graduated from SUNY Cortland and is employed at Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES as a physical education teacher; husband graduated from SUNY Oswego and is employed with the City of Auburn as a water department worker. Following their wedding trip to Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, the couple is now living in Auburn.

In Memoriam

Edward C. Gillett ‘57

Ed Gillett, a 1957 graduate of SUNY in Buffalo, School of Business, was one of the pioneers on SUNY’s campus. Ed attended SUNY in Buffalo in 1955 and graduated with a degree in Business Administration. He was one of 120 freshmen to enroll in 1955 and was one of 51 to graduate in the Class of 1957. He was one of the “pioneer” students (Dr. Skinner’s term for students from those initial first six years). One of 120 freshmen to enroll in 1955, he was one of 51 to graduate in the Class of 1957. He recalls graduating earlier, in February, because of previous college credits. The gender breakdown in his class was approximately 75% male and 25% female, not unusual given that Korean War Veterans were accessing GI Bills’ education benefits. His years at ACC, where he earned a degree in business, were followed by two years at the University of Buffalo School of Business where he continued his undergraduate studies, receiving a Bachelor’s degree in business.

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In 1960, Ed was offered initial employment by Sealtest Foods, a Division of National Dairy Products Corporation (the predecessor to today's Kraft Foods), which was an original Fortune 500 member. A subsequent transfer to the company's Rochester office in 1966 serendipitously led to his joining Eastman Kodak Company, Business Systems Division. Ed mentioned that in the economically prosperous 1960s, young college graduates could pretty much pick and choose employment among several Fortune 500 companies headquartered right here in upstate NY.

Ed's career with Kodak initially took him to Boston for six years, then the Midwest for a few years specializing in Engineering Data Systems and Micropublishing, and finally, Southern California. During those years, he saw Kodak's core product line evolve from Instamatic cameras that could take four flash pictures without changing flashbulbs (remember those?) to document imaging systems, and more. During those years, he saw Kodak’s core product line evolve from Instamatic cameras that could take four flash pictures without changing flashbulbs (remember those?) to document imaging systems, and more. When the company offered a transfer back East to its headquarters in Rochester, Ed turned it down as he had established roots and grown accustomed to living in the “Golden State.”

He retired in 1991 from his position as Regional Marketing Coordinator with Kodak's Graphics Division. Post retirement, a 10-year entrepreneurial venture with wife Sharon resulted in five retail locations in Southern California in the trendy craft and gift business. Now finally officially retired, Ed credits his formal and business training, which began at ACC, for the goals and eventual achievements in his life. They stays in touch with several classmates and fondly recalls “around-the-corner” neighbors, the Komaneky brothers (the late Prof. William Komaneky ’58 would become the first ACC alum to be hired as a full-time ACC faculty member) with whom he shared many a boyhood escapade.

The years have been kind to Ed; a neighbor recently remarked that it “must be the California climate!” You be the judge…

EDITOR’S NOTE: Alums meet everywhere, even over the proverbial back-yard fence. One of our news staff lives next door to Ed’s childhood home and invited him to share his story. If you fit into our “Golden Spartan” category, we’d love to hear from you!
Donald W. “Butch” Fennessy ’55 passed away on May 10, 2011. He was a native Auburian and was one of 11 children. Butch was a U.S. Army vet and was employed as a Territory Sales Manager with G.E. in Syracuse. Mr. Fennessy was a member of St. Alphonsus Church in Skaneateles and his camp on Oswago Lake. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Jean (Kavanaugh); their children, James, Patricia (Douglas) Illie, William, and Thomas; along with four grandchildren.

Robert A. Fasce ’64 passed away March 30, 2011. He was an adjunct professor of History and American Studies at Champlain College, University of Hawaii, Pacific University, University of Hawaii at Hilo and Kapiolani Community College. Survivors include his wife of 42 years, Carol; sons, Edwin, Stefan, and Evan; brother, Bob/Fred; and sisters, Diana (James) Shaw and Irene (Larron) Hamm. Following high school, John attended ACC but withdrew to join the U.S. Navy. He was stationed on the destroyer USS Norris, when it helped form the blockade of Cuba during the quinquennial crisis, and he was able to travel all over the world including Europe, Africa, the Middle East, South America and the Caribbean. He returned to ACC in 1965 and earned an associate degree. At the time ACC had a large enrollment of Ukrainian-American students and John was instrumental in forming a Ukrainian Student Club. He retired as the Department of Human Resources as the cover for The Associated Press. He was the AP’s Bureau Chief in Chicago for some years, and lived in four houses with his wife Sharon L. Fasce; three children, Christian, Caitlin, and John; and four grandchildren. Domenic DeTomasso ’75 passed away March 29, 2011. He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Joanne; a daughter, Andrea; sons, Daniel and Patrick; and four grandchildren; and had two grandsons on the way. Domenic was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and had a brother and a sister-in-law. He was the Great Great Great Grandson of Donal Fennessy, one of the earliest of many Fennessy settlers in Auburn. He was a member of St. Alphonsus and St. Francis of Assisi in Syracuses’ area. Mr. Fennessy was employed as an engineer/draftsman with Coupland, Cooper & Company. He was a U.S. Army vet and was employed at a drug company in Florida upon retirement from his position as administrative law judge for the NYS Workers Compensation Board in Syracuse.

Prior to becoming a judge, he had his own legal practice and also taught law classes at SUNY Oswego, Syracuse University, Empire State College and Onondaga Community College in addition to ACC. Al was vice president and general counsel for Columbia and a partner in Auburn for 13 years. He served five years of active duty as a navigator in the U.S. Air Force and retired as a senior navigator in the Air Rescue Service at the rank of major in 1970. Al was involved with numerous community boards and organizations and was a member of the American Legion Post 239 in Skaneateles. He loved boating and sailing and was a charter member of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 2-15 of Skaneateles. He is survived by his wife, Patty (Melnick); sons, Brian (Donna) and Gregory (Tracy); daughter, Sally (Chris) Jay; two grandchildren; a brother; and several nieces and nephews.

Peter A. Cadwallader passed away unexpectedly April 14, 2011. He had been employed as a custodian at ACC from 1998 until his retirement in 2010. Peter was survived by his wife, Patty (Melnick); brothers, Bill (Ann) and Michael (Diane); sisters, Donna (Bob) Hedges and Debbie (David) Beyor; sisters-in-law, Susan (Nick) Kuncio and Anne Melnick; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Our sympathies go out to their families. They will be missed by all who knew them.
Hungry? Enjoy a $2.00 lunch from Student Activities Board.
Fulton Student Lounge
11:00 am to 12:00 pm
Auburn Cayuga Café
11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Wednesday, September 7th
X BOX GAME ZONE
Wanted: students interested in learning or perfecting their skills with the latest game systems: X Box 360, Wii, and PS3 all on four jumbo screens.
Auburn Student Center
10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Monday, September 12th
Auburn Campus
Monday, September 19th
Fulton Campus
STUDENT ACTIVITIES FAIR
Come and learn about the many exciting clubs and organizations on campus. College isn’t just about classes and homework; we have a club for almost any interest. Don’t just sit there, get involved!
Auburn and Fulton Student Lounges
11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Friday, September 16th
CONSTITUTION DAY
Surveys, Video and Information on the Constitution
Fulton and Auburn Student Lounges
11:00 am to 12:00 pm
Monday, September 19th
Fulton Campus

Saturday and Sunday, September 17th - 18th
NY Yankees vs. Toronto
Overnight trip to Toronto, Canada.
This trip includes bus, hotel accommodations, and tickets to Saturday and Sunday’s game.
Additional information to be announced. Enhanced Drivers License or Passport required for trip.
$195.00 per student and $215.00 non-students

Wednesday, September 21st
KEVIN BOZEMAN – COMEDIAN
Looking for a laugh? Join us for the hilarious stand-up comedy show featuring writer and comedian Kevin Bozeman. Kevin has been featured on Comedy Central and Comedy Clubs all over the US.
Sponsored by CAVA, Auburn Student Center
7:00 pm

Thursday, September 29th
HARMONIC BRASS
Come enjoy this brass quintet that traveled all the way from Munich, Germany for your entertainment. The extraordinary musical radiance of Harmonic Brass, a multi-faceted repertoire and an original presentation turns every concert into an unforgettable experience.
Auburn Campus
Irene A. Bisgrove Theatre
7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Sunday, October 2nd
Wornick in F196.
Campus. See Angela Wornick in F196.

Monday, October 3rd
Auburn Campus
Wednesday, October 5th
Fulton Campus
THE LIFE AND ART OF SUSAN WEINREICH
Enjoy a display of art work (10:30 am to 1:30 pm) and discussion (11 am to 12 pm) with the artist to discuss her creative process.
Auburn and Fulton Student Lounges

Wednesday, October 6th
STUDENT ACTIVITY BOARD.

Monday, October 9th
STAN PEARSON – MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER
Finding Your Rhythm of Success
Learn how to step into greatness and find your rhythm for success. This workshop is for anyone who wants to improve their self-esteem and non-verbal communication.
Auburn and Fulton Student Lounges
11:00 am to 12:00 pm

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Auburn and Fulton Student Lounges
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Monday, November 21st
THANKSGIVING DINNER
In the spirit of Thanksgiving, the Student Activity Board is offering a low cost dinner to students on the Fulton Campus. See Angela Wornick in F196.
Fulton Student Lounge
11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Monday, November 28th
Fulton Campus
Wednesday, November 30th
Auburn Campus
MASSAGE THERAPY
Stressed? Join us for a 10 minute chair massage FREE of charge, courtesy of your Student Activity Board. Auburn and Fulton Student Lounges
10:30 am to 1:30 pm

Saturday and Sunday, December 3rd and 4th
38TH ANNUAL CRAFT FESTIVAL
Over 150 crafters & vendors – FREE Admission
Saturday: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
Sunday: 11:00 am to 4:00 pm
Auburn Campus
Sponsored by the Student Activities Board.
Classes of 2006 through 2011

You may be contacted to complete a brief survey to help the college gain important information to assist with receipt of federal funding for our students.

Plans are currently underway by Maureen Erickson, CCC’s Director of Assessment/Accreditation Liaison Officer – Middle States, to compile a simple survey that will be mailed to members of our last five graduating classes. The survey, to be conducted in spring 2012, will contain an on-line URL link where responses can be submitted, or they may be mailed by those who opt to comply. Participants will be able to view the results on line once the survey is completed.

The information being generated will greatly assist our current and future students, so your participation is appreciated. And, as a way of showing our appreciation, everyone who submits the survey will be entered into a drawing to win an iPod.

For more information, please contact Maureen.Erickson@cayuga-cc.edu.