The ‘50s

1951
- SUNY holds hearing on the establishment of community colleges. Auburn Chamber of Commerce President Maurice Schwartz and Superintendent of Schools Dr. Charles Hetherington attend to persuade to have Auburn included in the plan.
- September 8 – Auburn Community College opens on the corner of James and Orchard Streets with 69 students enrolled.
- Dr. Hetherington named acting president; Albert T. Skinner appointed first dean.
- Dr. Charles G. Hetherington

1953
- April 9 – SUNY approves establishment of a community college in Auburn.
- First College catalogue printed; first Student Council, The Auburn Collegian newspaper and four clubs (Glee, Newman, Engineering and Harlequin) established.

1954
- First College catalogue printed; first Student Council, The Auburn Collegian newspaper and four clubs (Glee, Newman, Engineering and Harlequin) established.
- The College celebrates 10th anniversary.
- Library Building opens; 1,300 full-time students and 1,700 in part-time evening division.
- Initial accreditation awarded by Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools.

1958
- Dr. Albert T. Skinner named second president.
- ACC Alumni Association founded.

In Roman mythology, Janus is the god of beginnings, endings, doorways and time. He looks to the past and the future. To commemorate the 60-year Diamond Anniversary of Auburn/Cayuga Community College, this issue of “The Spartan” will look back at the first 30 years. Our story will continue in the fall/winter edition to see where we are today, as well as take a look to our future. We hope you enjoy it.

(EDITORIAL NOTE: much of the information came from “A History of Auburn Community College During Its Founding Period 1953-1959” written by ACC’s first dean and president, Albert Skinner. Timeline data, researched and compiled by former Alumni Board member Bobbie Bellnier ‘89, was excerpted from the 50th Anniversary editions of “The Spartan.”)

The ‘60s

1963
- College celebrates 10th anniversary.

1964
- Library Building opens; 1,300 full-time students and 1,700 in part-time evening division.

1965
- Initial accreditation awarded by Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools.

1968
- College explores plans to develop an associate degree nursing program.

1970
- Health/Business/Technical Building opens.

1971
- Bookstore opens.
- Yearbook changes name from Nainrubua to Janus.

1972
- Radio station WDWN takes to the airwaves.

1974
- Nursing program welcomes first cohort of 71 students (see Spring/Summer 2011 The Spartan for nursing article); enrollment totals 3,043 students
- First Folk Art Festival and first Senior Citizens Day held.
- Library Building dedicated to the late Dean Norman F. Bourke.

1975
- Sponsorship changes from Auburn Enlarged City School District (Board of Education) to County of Cayuga
- College name changes from Auburn Community College to Cayuga County Community College

1976
- The first Nursing Class graduates with 53 students.

Throughout the mid- to late-1970s, new programs were established (nursing, criminal justice, telcom, international study, occupational education). First courses were offered at Auburn Correctional Facility. New non-credit courses were offered and off-campus classes were created in neighboring communities. The Career Planning/Placement Office was formed and training for business and industry was being planned. Certificate programs were approved.

Throughout its formative decades, the College hosted national celebrities who visited campus to entertain or lecture. For example, in the ‘60s we welcomed Simon and Garfunkel (before they became famous) and internationally acclaimed dramatic actress Dame Judith Anderson came with a small supporting cast to perform in “Medea” and “Macbeth.” In later years we listened while Rod Serling, Carl Rowan, Julian Bond, Astronaut John Glenn, George Plimpton, Vincent Buglisini, Harry Reasoner, Barry Goldwater, Isaac Asimov, and Ralph Nader, among others, lectured. Some of the musical entertainment offered during the ‘70s included Chuck Mangione Quartet, Rick Derringer, Fran McKendree, Pousse-Dart Band, Paul Winter Consort, Mary Travers, Edgar Winter, Gary Puckert and the Union Gap and John Sebastian.

The ‘70s

1977
- President Skinner retires; Dr. John H. Anthony named third president.

1978
- Library Building dedicated to the late Dean Norman F. Bourke.
- College celebrates 25th Anniversary.

1979
- Library, Learning Skills Center, A/V Center incorporated into the Learning Resources Center.

In May 2012, we celebrated our 58th Commencement with 680 graduates, the largest class in College history. This year, we are celebrating the 60th anniversary of the founding of the College, starting with Auburn Community College on James Street in downtown Auburn. We were the first new community college founded in the State University of New York following its organization in 1948. Dr. Charles G. Hetherington was our founding president and long-time superintendent of the Auburn City School District. Once he retired, he became the founding father of many SUNY community colleges, traveling across New York State, serving as consultant or as first president for many of our colleague institutions. His portrait in the Board Room remains as evidence of his dedication to post-secondary education. We honor him for his foresight, energy, and service!

- Dan Larson

While researching this article, The Spartan staff found a lot of interesting as well as entertaining information. Due to space constraints, we are only able to list highlights. Throughout the remainder of the year, we will share more of our college’s history in our electronic magazine, Get Inspired. To get your free subscription, see details on the back page of this newsletter.
Objects in mirror are closer than they appear...

As I was driving to work the other day, I noticed something that we see all the time, but may not pay any attention to... “Objects in mirror are closer than they appear.” It seemed a fitting analogy for the College’s 65th birthday. As I began to reflect (sorry for the pun), I realized that regardless of the year or decade we attended college here, not much has changed. It may look different, as do we, but the reasons our students came here are basically the same. They came to get a job – or a better job, to take core courses before transferring to a four-year school, and many came on the G.I. Bill. With our non-traditional students, it was something they always wanted to do but never got around to it for a variety of reasons. For me, it was just what you did after graduating from high school. It didn’t matter why they did, only that they did.

As I often do, I looked at our shelf of ACC/CCC yearbooks hoping to find what made one decade different from another. I pulled the first edition, 1956, off the shelf to take a look. The men wore ties and sport jackets; the women (all seven of them) looked out from the pages and smiled, hopeful faces. All through the ’50s, the only changes were the crew cuts, winged glasses and pearls. Not a lot had changed in the early ’60s except there were considerably more women, most with shoulders exposed in what appeared to be the exact same top. By the end of the ’60s, the men still had short hair but the women were mostly teased and flipped.

The change came in 1970 when the yearbook had no name. It may have been a sign of a new era with short skirts, political clubs and male students hoping their draft number didn’t get drawn. Their hair was getting longer; the sport jackets from the earlier days evolved to denim. Though the faces and clothes looked different, the reason for being here was the same. The name of the yearbook changed to Janus in 1971 through 1986, which sadly was the last time a yearbook was published. It’s always fun when an alumni come to visit. They reach for “their” yearbook, and, of course, I’m drawn into it along with them looking from page to page as if it’s the first time we’ve ever seen it. We laugh at the faces – no, yours – OK, yes, you’re looking at ours too. Earlier this week, one of our professors stopped in for an unrelated reason and he saw the shelf of yearbooks. As he reached for “his,” we were both surprised to find that it was also “mine” so we had a good chuckle together. If you’re in the neighborhood, feel free to stop in and take a look, because a good laugh makes you feel good.

So, like the god Janus... whether we look back toward the ’50s or forward to the ’20s, we’ll all be closer than we appear.

Louise Barwinczok Wilson ’72

GREETINGS FROM CCC PRESIDENT

Dr. Daniel Larson

The start of the Spring semester is different from the start of the Fall semester in the midst of Winter, with short days and long nights, perennial issues about how and campus closings, and the anticipation of Spring and the end of the academic year. The Spring semester seems to go by more quickly, probably for the anticipation of new life that comes with the new season. A major aspect of that new life is found in our annual graduation ceremony, where we celebrate the success of our students and their commencement into next steps, be they work, life, transfer, and beyond. Our hopes and dreams flow and support them, adding to the quickness of the semester.

Starting this Friday, we’ll be the 65th anniversary of the founding of the College. We are beginning to plan for our celebration this Fall, to recognize the start of Auburn Community College on James Street in downtown Auburn, to celebrate ACC/CCC as the first new college community founded in the State University of New York, and to honor Dr. Charles G. Hetherington as our founding president.

The best is yet to come. It’s more than a College facility to call our roots as a College, will help us to fill other niches in our academic programs and in our community engagement. We anticipate project completion in time for the 2014 Fall semester.

The campus theatre project has been in redesign this Fall and Winter to ensure that it comes in at budget. The legal issues are wending their way toward conclusion. We anticipate starting the project later this Spring, with completion in Spring 2014. The impact of this theatre facility, in downtown Auburn close to our roots as a College, will help us to fill other niches in our academic programs and in our community engagement.

We work with the Karpinski Athletic Complex is making headway with concept design and related details. We are exploring how we can add to the project and build upon the wonderful lead gift by Dr. Joseph F Karpinski. The community impact of this project could be significant, so it’s more than a College facility to enhance our student amenities.

As we move into Spring, please stop in, visit, and participate in all the activities we have underway. This is a period with lots of projects and activity at the College. I think you will like it!

Sincerely,
Dan

NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR 2013 ACC/CCC ALUMNI AWARDS

The Auburn/Cayuga Community College Alumni Association is seeking nominations for its 2013 Alumni Association awards. The awards recognize the graduates of the college who have distinguished themselves in careers or community service. Past awards have honored outstanding achievements in vocational or academic pursuits, volunteer service, public service organizations, civic functions or service to the college. Nominations will be reviewed by the Association’s Awards Committee, and the winners will be honored at an awards brunch as well as at the college commencement on May 19.

Anyone who holds a degree from Cayuga Community College (or its original entity, Auburn Community College) may be nominated. The deadline is March 31. Forms and information are available from the college’s Alumni Office at alumni@cayuga-cc.edu, or 315-255-1743, ext. 2224 or 2454.

ACC/CCC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SEEKS APPLICANTS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Several scholarships to Cayuga Community College for the 2013-14 academic year, as well as May 2013 commencement awards to transfer institutions, are selected by the ACC/CCC Alumni Association and administered by the Cayuga Community College Foundation. Applications must be received by March 31, 2013 for scholarships awarded to:

- Incentivating freshmen and high school seniors who are the children or grandchildren of a Cayuga (or Auburn Community College) graduate
- Returning full-time sophomore students
- Nontraditional student - age 24 or older, enrolled for at least 6 credit hours per semester looking to upgrade skills or start a new career
- Graduating transfer students – graduating from Cayuga in May 2013 and transferring to a four-year school

Application forms, including eligibility and submission requirements, are posted at www.cayuga-cc.edu/financialaid/scholarships and are available from Cayuga’s Financial Aid Office, or by contacting the Alumni Office at 315-255-1743, extension 2224 or 2454.

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Our enrollment surge of 2009-10, a 23% increase in one year, has moved through the College. Most, if not all, of those students have completed their programs of study, and our enrollment numbers this year have backed off a bit, although remaining at elevated levels. We anticipate that our new River Glen campus in Fulton will draw more students to that incredible facility. We enjoyed a superb ribbon cutting last January, with Chancellor Nancy Zimpher in attendance. She’s impressed with how we’ve taken that old grocery store and transformed it into the first phase of a larger campus. She asked me recently if Smart had moved out, and I responded, no, it’s early yet. Over time, that should occur.

In December, we were thrilled to learn that Steve Keeler is being honored as our first SUNY Distinguished Professor, one of eight faculty members so honored this year in the State University. Most of these distinguished faculty members are found at the 4-year campuses, so Steve’s honor is all the greater. He has exerted powerful influences upon many students, helping to steer them toward productive lives and careers. It is a pleasure to see these honors come to our faculty, Steve being one of several recognized this year.

Our on-campus student housing project continues to gain public support. Our plans are moving forward, with the goal to start construction later this Spring. We’ve met with our immediate neighbors, presented the project concept, heard their comments and concerns, and are continuing our plans with their input in mind. Our survey of potential student residents has reached more than 700 individuals, indicating much about their interest in student housing. We are working with architects, construction managers, financial consultants, and the entire array of people involved in this project. It will be one that helps to safeguard the future of the College. It will be a foundation for Cayuga as a commuter college to have students in residence on campus. We must be responsible custodians of Cayuga’s legacy.

They are our most important stakeholders. Student housing is one way we can do so. We anticipate project completion in time for the 2014 Fall semester.

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Louise Wilson

CUTS, WINGS, GLASSES, AND PEARLS. NOT A LOT HAD CHANGED. THE EARLY ’60S EXCEPT THERE WERE CONSIDERABLY MORE WOMEN, MOST WITH SHOULDERS EXPOSED IN WHAT APPEARED TO BE THE EXACT SAME TOP. BY THE END OF THE ’60S, THE MEN STILL HAD SHORT HAIR BUT THE WOMEN WERE MOSTLY TEASED AND FLIPPED. THE CHANGE CAME IN 1970 WHEN THE YEARBOOK HAD NO NAME. IT MAY HAVE BEEN A SIGN OF A NEW ERA WITH SHORT SKIRTS, POLITIC

Greetings to all of our ACC/CCC Alumni and Friends,

This year we celebrate the 60th Anniversary of Cayuga Community College. Our college has had great success in providing excellent educational opportunities to its students and has made great contributions to the community. CCC has grown from a small institution on James Street to a multi-campus facility.

The ACC/CCC Alumni Association holds its annual meeting and elections in September. The new board of directors and officers were installed and have been working on updating and expanding the offerings and involvements the Association undertakes. We would like to introduce you to your Board and tell you a little about them.

Lori is the director of the Powers Library in Moravia, NY. She has served on the Alumni Board since graduating from CCC in 2005, and currently functions as its secretary. In addition, she is chairperson of the Travel Committee and has escorted Association trips.

Lori earned her B.A. in Public Policy with a concentration in Government from Wells College in 2011. She is an elected official in the Town of Locke. Betty has two children who keep her very busy. A member of the Alumni Board since 2011, she believes that the best thing about volunteering is that it teaches children about giving back to their community, and she often includes them. She also enjoys helping out at her children’s school for their individual classes.

Fred is in his eighth year of service on the alumni board. During this time, he has served on many of the board committees. He currently chairs the Finance Committee and also enjoys working on the Scholarship Committee. A veteran with many travels, he has had the opportunity to meet him as he is often a leader on alumni-sponsored trips. Fred works in an environmental laboratory and in his free time enjoys reading and hanging out with family and friends.

Gary graduated from Simmons Institute of Funeral Service. He managed the Jewell Funeral Home in Cato and Weedsport from 1995-2000. Gary now is a Marketing Assistant. He lives in Weedsport and enjoys spending time with his wife Theresa and sons, Joshua and Dominic. Gary’s hobbies also include winemaking and also enjoys riding his motorcycle, camping, and photography.

Tony graduated from ACC in 1961 and SUNY Cortland in 1963. He worked in the Auburn School District for 33 years, 10 as a teacher and 23 as an administrator. For nine years, he worked as a Director of Unity House. He has been married for 45 years to the former Patti Losani and they have four sons, four daughters-in-law, and six grandchildren. Tony is the immediate past president of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association. He serves on the Oswego Town Board and volunteers on several other boards in the community. Tony enjoys reading, racquetball, gardening, Oswaco Lake, and spending time with his family.

Gerard “Gerry” Guiney ’82
Instructor and Criminal Justice Consultant
Guiney has been an active member of many organizations, including the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He has served the community in many capacities over the years including: Catholic Youth Organization Basketball, Auburn Recreation Girls Baseball League, and Auburn Indians Football and Cheerleading. Gerry is married to Marilyn DiRaddo and they have two sons, G. Adam and John.

Edward F. (Ted) Herrling ’72
President
Ted Herrling still has fun teaching English 110, the class he taught for many years before his retirement. Ted is a member of the American Academy of Religion. He has served as president of the Caribbean Society and has served as a mentor to many students on a yearly basis.

Lloyd is the Executive Director of the Cayuga County Youth Bureau, Administrator of the Cayuga County Assigned Counsel Program, and Coordinator of the Cayuga County STOP-DWI Program. He is an alumnus of the Criminal Justice Adjunct faculty here at Cayuga. He enjoys reading, writing, and finding that historic home on South Street and seeking out treasures among antiques.

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Annual involvements include the Antique Appraisal Fair, Holiday Craft Fair, Cookies for Cause and decorating the lobbies of both campuses. We co-sponsor Family Fun Day and Alumni Voices, a program that brings alumni back to campus for panel discussions with current students. In September a private open house is held for alumni at the new Fulton campus.

We have a great alumni association, and I encourage you to continue supporting our efforts, getting involved, and making donations to our great college.

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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Bill served in the U.S. Marine Corps and was honorably discharged at the rank of Sergeant. He joined the City of Auburn Fire Department in 1962 and retired after 25 years, at the rank of Captain. Following his retirement in 1987, he was appointed to the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, MD. Later, he transferred to the United States Fire Administration as a Fire Prevention Specialist where he worked until 1998. In 1999, Bill was appointed to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as a Disaster Assistance Employee.

In 2001, Bill was elected to the Auburn City Council and served a four-year term. He is a member of St. Mary’s Church where he serves as a church trustee, member of the Parish Council, and is a Eucharistic Minister. Currently, Bill is a Training Unit Leader with FEMA and serves on the boards of many local civic organizations. Throughout his career, he has received many special honors, including the ACC/CCC Alumni Association Award and the NY Community College Trustees Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Amanda is the Evening/Weekend Administrator at Cayuga’s Fulton Campus and also serves as the advisor for the Rotaract Club. She has worked at the Fulton campus since she graduated in 2006 with a degree in Business Administration. Amanda went on to receive a B.S. in Human Resource Management from SUNY Oswego in 2008 and a M.S. in Adult Education from SUNY Buffalo in 2012. She is also a member of Leadership Oswego County Class of 2013. This is her first year serving on the Alumni Board of Directors. Amanda shares: “I’m most excited about having the opportunity to give back to an institution that’s given so much to me.” Amanda currently lives in Baldwinsville.

Amanda M. Reed ‘06

John is an Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice and History and Criminal Justice Coordinator on the Fulton Campus. He received his bachelor’s degree from SUNY-Oswego in 1979, a Master’s in Public Administration from Marist College, with Graduate Studies in History from SUNY-Oswego. Lamphere retired at the rank of Chief Deputy from the Cayuga County Sheriff’s Department after 27 years of service. He is a Civil War historian. In addition to serving as past president, vice president and secretary for the Alumni Association, John leads annual guided tours of the Gettysburg Battlefield for the Association. John has two daughters, Jolene and Ryan, and his “significant other,” Liz McCormick, is an Associate Professor at CCC.

John E. Lamphere ‘74

Angelo R. Marinelli ‘62

Angelo and his wife Marlene enjoy spending time with their family in “the beautiful Finger Lakes area.” Their family includes Patricia and Andrew and grandchildren, Peyton, Schas, and Joseph Angelo.

Angelo R. Marinelli ‘62

John is a music enthusiast and can often be found at WXTK-FM, where he is the Urban Music Director. John expanded the DJ’s role to include the “Soul Saturday” line up with radio shows from noon-midnight. While at CCC, he was a member of the Radio and Television (RAT) Guild.

In summer 2011, John completed training as a certified personal care aide. He received a Theodore Case Film Festival Award for his production “Water Pollution Control Facility”. In 2006, John is a family man and lives in Auburn. John feels that his education at Cayuga provided him with the tools needed to work in the communications field, and he is happy to have the opportunity to give back to the college community by serving as a member of the Alumni Association board of directors.

Bill Jacobs ‘73

Bill is the owner of Richard Cargill, who specializes in sports memorabilia, valued the antiques. A wide variety of treasures were brought in by over 70 individuals. One of the more unusual items brought in was a Civil War-era vacuum cleaner. Several alumni board members were there to help out at the event. All proceeds fund the Association’s programs and services.

ANTIQUE APPRAISAL FAIR

The Alumni Association held its 10th annual Antiquie Appraisal Fair on October 14. It took place in the Nature Center Building on the Auburn Campus, where three professionals were on hand to make appraisals. Robert Chilson of Purple Monkey Antiques, Lisa Woodard, Donna DeVeau, an Estate Broker in Cazenovia, and Richard Cargill, who specializes

Board members ready to welcome alumni to the Open House: Bill Jacobs ‘73; Ted Herrling ‘72; president; John Lamphere ‘74; Mary Kriever ‘09, alumni assistant; Gerry Guiney ‘82, Terry Wilbur ‘08; Fred Falsey ‘76, treasurer; and Amanda Reed ‘06.

ALUMNI OPEN HOUSE

On September 26, the Auburn/Cayuga Community College Alumni Association hosted alumni and their guests for a private tour of CCC’s Fulton Campus at River Glen. Guided tours were provided by Fulton students and staff, which ran from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Alumni Board members were on hand to meet and welcome guests and serve refreshments.

The former P&C on River Glen Drive has been transformed into a state-of-the-art 82,150 square foot complex. The new facility welcomed more than 1,100 students when it officially opened for the fall 2012 semester.

“Soul Saturday” Line Up

MARK MURRAY / THE SPARTAN

Bill, Gerry, and Ted (with Alumni Dude) share a laugh with Foundation Director Jeff Hoffman.

Gerry Guiney ‘82

Jolene and Ryan

Terry Wilbur ‘08

Terry M. Wilbur ‘08

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Terry M. Wilbur ‘08

John L. McLeod ‘08

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Terry graduated from CCC with an associate’s in criminal justice and earned his bachelor’s degree in political science from SUNY-Oswego. He is an Oswego County Legislator representing the Town and Village of Hannibal. Terry was the youngest-ever elected county legislator. He is very active in his local community serving on a wide range of boards for various organizations. He works for the NYS Assembly as a Constituent Liaison for both Assemblyman Will Barclay and Assemblyman Robert Oaks. Terry is newly engaged. He and his bride-to-be are planning a September 2014 wedding. In his spare time, he enjoys watching NASCAR and basketball. Terry feels that the “best form of education is a Cayuga education.”

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Again this year Oswego County Opportunities (OCO) accepted the cookies donated on the Fulton Campus. OCO is a private, nonprofit human service agency serving 30,000 people each year through more than 50 programs. The cookies were distributed to families in Oswego County that are involved with programs within Crisis Development Services. Laura Lloyd shared, “Everyone seemed very appreciative to have such a nice gesture made towards our programs. It really lifted spirits of those that attended our group, as well as those working around the office.” Pictured L-R: Christina Bentley and Laura Lloyd from OCO; Alumni Board members and Fulton campus employees, Amanda Reed ’06, JoAnn Harris ’95 and John Lamphere ’74.

The ACC/CCC Alumni Association, in conjunction with Sheila Myers of the CCC Experiential Learning Initiatives, held its second “Alumni Voices” event on November 7. The goal of the Alumni Voices program is to provide a forum in which alumni speak to students and guests about various topics, including career goals and aspirations, and where students are able to interact with the guest speakers, ask questions and seek advice. The topic for the informal panel discussion was “What I Did with My Degree,” and featured two distinguished alumni, Barbara Roesch, Esq. ’79 and Joshua Cradduck ’07.

Barbara is a Court Attorney for the Honorable Dennis F. Bender, Seneca County Court Judge, and serves as the Matrimonial Screening Referee for Seneca County. Following her graduation from CCC, Barbara transferred to SU where she received her B.S. in Business Administration – Marketing. She then attended Albany Law School, procuring her J.D. in 1983. Barbara is a former Geneva City Council member, and is currently on the Geneva City School District Board and the Geneva Lakefront Childcare Center Board. Josh is the Senior Assignment Editor for WYNN Channel 10 in Syracuse, NY. Following his graduation from Ithaca College in 2008, where he earned his B.S. in Television Radio, Josh began working at WNN, Time Warner Cable’s 24/7 regional news channel for New York’s Central, Northern and Southern Tier areas. He was recently promoted and is in charge of the daily operations of the Assignment Desk, which assigns stories and breaking news to reporters and photographers. Josh was recently elected as 2nd Vice President of the Syracuse Press Club. The partnered affair was well received by students, faculty and staff. The speakers shared personal experiences, gave advice, and spoke about how their ties to ACC/CCC contributed to their careers and the choices they made.

COOKIES FOR A CAUSE
The annual Cookies for a Cause collected over 120 dozen cookies between the Auburn and Fulton campuses. In addition to donated cookies, the Auburn campus provided the Cayuga County Nursing Home with handmade cards from the CCC Preschool. Tom Ruzzo, aka “the Cookie man,” who is a son of one of the residents, distributed cookies each evening when he came to visit his mother. Pictured L-R: residents Diana and Linda; Brenda Black, social worker; Louise Wilson ’72, ACC/CCC Alumni Director; Jessie Penird, social worker; residents Marilyn and Barbara.

ATTENTION ALL VETERAN ALUMNI!
We are planning a feature article on alumni who attended ACC/CCC as veterans. Please share your experience while attending the college, and update us on what you are doing today. We look forward to meeting and/or hearing from you!

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- visit or write us at: Alumni Office, 197 Franklin Street, M238, Auburn NY 13021

POP QUIZ!
KEEP IT QUICK AND SIMPLE: PICK ONE!
- What impact did ACC/CCC have on your life?
- Any words of wisdom for our future alum?
- Do you have a humorous or touching memory from your time here?

Send your comments to the Alumni Office by email: alumni@cayuga-cc.edu or mail them to us at 197 Franklin Street, Auburn, NY 13021

SEND US YOUR PICTURES!
GETTYSBURG FALL 2012 RECAP

It’s a given – if you attend the Alumni Association’s Gettysburg Trip, you will discover among other things that: (1) John Lamphere’s sense of humor precedes him; (2) John’s unique ability to draw you in through satire and wit will allow him to educate you willingly, even eagerly; and (3) as a “new” participant, you will understand why “the regulars” keep coming back for more.

This year’s fall trip did all of the above and more. The sold-out trip traveled from September 21-23, 2012 and, fortunately, the weather was great all weekend.

Lamphere, Assistant Professor of History and Criminal Justice and alumni board member, said that for him, without question, the highlight of the trip occurred on the first day on Little Round Top. While the group was admiring the sunset settling over the Valley of Death, a bugler came out in period costume with a PBS film crew from Maine. Following an exchange of historical information with John, the bugler asked if he could do a special presentation of “Taps” and dedicate it to Cayuga Community College. He walked to the edge of the hill overlooking the Valley of Death and played. Before he had finished, tears were flowing. It was the first of many emotional experiences during the trip.

The other highlight of the trip for John was the show of gratitude by the participants. The group took up a collection to purchase a Dale Gallon print of the “111th New York at the Briar Barn,” something John had coveted for years. John offers a sincere “thank you” to the group members for their thoughtful generosity. Additionally, he would like to thank board member JoAnn Harris, fellow alum Greg Szczepanski, and Dave and Lauri Heath for all of their help during this trip.

Note: To view the video of Taps, head to our facebook page: Cayuga Community College Alumni Association (ACC/CCC)

NYC TRIP RECAP

We were unsure whether our annual fall journey to NYC would actually take place on Veteran’s Day weekend. The Big Apple had weathered Hurricane Sandy and a nor’easter two weeks before our scheduled departure. We contacted our hotel and they said the hotel was fine and the area was in good shape. So, ACC/CCC alumni and friends enjoyed a stay at the Washington Square Hotel in Greenwich Village. This historic hotel was recently renovated and is situated in an area with quaint neighborhood shops and restaurants. There was an independent film festival in a nearby theater. The weather was mild for a mid-November weekend, great for browsing the city’s many attractions.

The city was bustling as almost normal. In the Battery Park area, there was evidence of storm damage. There were generators running in the streets in the Wall Street area, but the ferry boats were going out to Liberty Island and Ellis Island. Some subway lines were not running normally, but there were announcements giving out alternate lines to use. It did not deter people from enjoying themselves.

Saturday afternoon and evening, members of our group enjoyed shopping, museums, dining, and Broadway plays. I had to visit Times Square after dark. I think there is nothing like being in Times Square at night. The lights and the people are like nowhere else on earth. Sunday morning people enjoyed the Veteran’s Day parade. I enjoyed the great view of the city from the Top of the Rock before the crowds arrived. I took a walk to see the space shuttle Atlantis. There is always something to do and see in the city, and we will be doing it again on Saturday, November 9. The trip goes on sale August 12. Call Louise or Mary in the Alumni Office for more information: 315.255.1743 ext 2224 or 2454.

Fred Falsey ’76

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September 20-22 and September 27-29, 2013
Goes on sale March 11 until sold out

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Great hotel at a great price
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Dear Alumni and Friends of ACC/CCC,

What’s YOUR Story?

Everybody has a life story, and for you and me, part of that is an ACC/CCC story. We’re celebrating life stories this year, as part of the College’s 60th anniversary. Briefly, here’s mine.

I arrived at Cayuga Community College in the early 1980s, carrying with me a four-year degree (in mathematics) which I wasn’t using at all. It was time for a change, and Cayuga was the place to jump-start my life and career! Leaving behind algebra and calculus, I began to delve into humanities. Of all my professors, I remember in particular Renata Rewald—thanks to her, I can still converse in German! (This really helped when our family hosted a Rotary Exchange Student from Austria in 2006.)

The humanities pointed me toward a second degree through Empire State College. My mentor at Cayuga’s ESC Office, Dr. Lee Herman, still traverses the halls of CCC in search of a student needing to write new chapters in their life histories. With his help and that of others, I landed my first humanities-based job—assistant director of the Canal Museum, Easton, PA.

And then it happened.

On my first day at the museum, my boss asked, “Did I mention in the interview that the assistant director is in charge of fund raising?” And that was my formal introduction to fund development! I knew nothing about raising funds, but I had done a little sales work. Now, almost three decades later, I practice the art of fund development at the place where my real education began: Cayuga Community College.

Many of you did not follow my path; you went right from high school to ACC or CCC, and began writing your own life story. But others can relate to my tale as a “nontraditional” student looking for a new start. Whatever your life story, I trust that you, too, can point to ACC/CCC as a turning point in your life.

This edition of The Spartan covers the first 30 years of our history, 1953-83. It includes just a few of the thousands of life stories inspired by our College. What’s your story? Please contact the Alumni Office and share your ACC/CCC story with us this year!

In the Cayuga Spirit,
Jeff Hoffman

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Yvonne Conte, internationally renowned motivational speaker, author, humorist.

The combination of humor, cookies and camaraderie were the high point of an evening with the Noreen and Michael J. Falcone Lecture, Yvonne Conte. Yvonne is a professional humorous motivational speaker and coach who brought down the house with laughter at the November 8 event.

The CCC Foundation staff transformed the Cayuga Café on the Auburn campus into a cabaret setting for the program. Conte shared the “Positive Power of Humor” which ranges from physical responses such as lowering blood pressure and promoting good health, to stimulating creativity and encouraging teamwork. Her unique ability to relate personal stories was evident by the roars of laughter from the audience. Her advice on how to “De-Stress the Mess” came at the perfect time for the pre-holiday crowd.

Conte has written six books, appeared on television and taken her humor seminars to over 5,000 corporations and groups nationally as well as internationally. Of the six books she has written, her latest, Cry, Laugh, Cook! A Collection of Essays, Conversations, and Conte Family Recipes includes cookie recipes that have been passed down by generations of her family members. The author was particularly touched by efforts made by the Foundation staff to have some of those cookies baked and shared with the audience.

The presentation was free and open to the public due to the generosity of the College Foundation Noreen and Michael J. Falcone Lecture Fund.

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Lucie Arnaz Event

For those who missed a memorable night of entertainment with a Broadway icon last May, you have another opportunity. Auburn Public Theater, Barbara Walsh, M&T Bank and The Cayuga Community College Foundation are presenting “An Evening with Lucie Arnaz.”

Barbara Walsh wanted to establish The Thommie Walsh Education Scholarship in memory of her late brother, Auburn legend, Thommie Walsh. She called on Thommie’s long-time friend, nine-time Tony Winner Tommy Tune, to come to Auburn with his stage show “Steps in Time.” It was so successful that the second event, starring Lucie Arnaz, is being planned for Friday, May 3 and Saturday, May 4, 2013 in the Irene A. Bisgrove Community Theater at Cayuga Community College’s Auburn campus.

Ms. Arnaz is also a Broadway veteran and daughter of Desi Arnaz and Lucille Ball. She will present a concert featuring new arrangements of favorite standards by Gershwin, Ellington, and Porter, as well as showstoppers from her Broadway career. At the Friday performance she will be joined by the “Irish Tenor” Andy Cooney, a perennial audience favorite.

The Thommie Walsh Scholarship Fund, administered by The Cayuga Community College Foundation, was established to assist students who are looking for a career in theater. Hopefully, one day, Auburn will have another “Shining Star.”

Jeff Hoffman, Executive Director of the CCC Foundation, is “honored the Walsh family has chosen the CCC Foundation to continue Thommie’s legacy. The Walsh family puts their heart and soul into this event and we appreciate the opportunity to be a part of it.”

For ticket information contact Auburn Public Theater at 315-253-6669, or visit their website, http://auburnpublictheater.org/events.php?eventID=245
In December, Professor Steven Keeler, Director of Media Communications degree programs, and chair of Cayuga Community College’s Humanities and Communications Division, was one of eight faculty members appointed by the State University of New York Board of Trustees to distinguished ranks, the highest faculty rank in the SUNY system. Keeler received the Distinguished Service Professorship, which honors and recognizes faculty for having achieved a distinguished reputation for service not only to the campus and the University, but also to the community, the State of New York, or even the nation.

A member of the faculty since 1987, Keeler is known for his leadership and innovation in media and arts education, technology, online learning, curriculum development, and entrepreneurship education. A graduate of SUNY Buffalo with a master’s degree from Syracuse University, Keeler has been honored nationally and regionally for his achievements. Most notably, in 1999 and 2001, he was named National Educator of the Year by the Society of Broadcast Engineers. In 2000 he received a SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Excellence. In 2001 and 2005, he was a finalist for the American Association of Community Colleges’ David R. Pierce Faculty Technology Award.

It is rare for a community college faculty member to receive such an appointment; currently, only 15 community college faculty hold distinguished rank. Keeler is the College’s first faculty member to earn this prestigious honor.

Cayuga Community College student Jaime L. Nielsen ’12 of Savannah, NY, received a $250 scholarship from the New York State Sheriffs’ Association. Cayuga County Sheriff David Gould and College President Daniel P. Larson presented her with a certificate and the award check. Also present to offer congratulations was James Campbell, adjunct Criminal Justice instructor. Nielsen, a police major, received the award in recognition of her academic excellence and performance in the classroom. She completed the associate’s degree in criminal justice in December and is now attending SUNY Oswego. Jaime plans on becoming a New York State trooper.

The ACC/CCC Alumni Association sold pizza at the College’s annual Holiday Craft Fair in December. Association President Ted Herrling ’72, LaVonte McLeod (John’s son), board members Amanda Reed ’06, JoAnn Harris ’95 and John McLeod ’08 were some of the team that worked at the fair.
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS

On October 17, students, faculty and staff participated in “Turn the State Purple” day. The Criminal Justice Club organized the event on the Auburn campus and held a fundraiser to show support for the victims of domestic violence. Proceeds were donated to the Cayuga County Domestic Violence Intervention Program.

TUTOR CLUB

Director of Student Activities Norman Lee and CCC President Dr. Daniel Larson help the Auburn campus Tutor Club’s “hotdog,” aka Erin McCoughlin, a Math Table tutor who will be graduating this spring and transferring to SUNY-Geneseo, promote the club’s hot dog and soda sale at the annual Holiday Craft Fair. More than a dozen tutors participated in the fundraiser, helping in all sorts of ways—everything from manning the grill to donning one of two hotdog costumes and dancing around the craft fair making deliveries to other vendors. Tutor Club Advisor and Coordinator of Tutorial Services in the Center for Academic Success Teresa Hoercher said that, “I’m incredibly proud of these students and grateful to everyone who contributed.” The club raised $1,800 for the college’s Weston Eldred Scholarship Fund.

PHI BETA LAMBDA

This past semester the Phi Beta Lambda Club focused on fund-raising for the Central New York Chapter of the March of Dimes, whose mission is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth, and infant mortality. Every day club members set up a PBL table in the lobby and offered information about the March of Dimes, accepted donations via collection “bottles,” and sold snacks and beverages. “I am so proud of the students’ work,” said Professor/Club Advisor Amy Valente. “Presenting this check ($1000) to the March of Dimes and hearing how their donation makes a difference inspires our students to contribute to and care about their community.”

VETERANS CLUB

Members of the Cayuga Community College Veterans Club presented a check for $1,000 to Peter Allen, the founder and Executive Director of the Thank a Service Member Charity, a local organization whose mission is to “honor the service and support the needs” of military veterans. The club, represented on both the Auburn and Fulton campuses, spent the fall 2012 semester raising money to help their comrades.

The funds will be used to support the charity’s “Military Appreciation Campaign,” a program designed to honor our veterans in VA Hospitals, in long-term care facilities, and at scheduled community events. Through this program, the charity also conducts welcome home events for returning service members.
A Student Activities Fair was held February 6 on the Auburn campus. Representatives from several organizations and clubs were on hand to provide information.
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HIGH TUNNEL GREENHOUSE CONSTRUCTED ON AUBURN CAMPUS

While temperatures dipped to 9 degrees Fahrenheit outside on a cold day this January, the soil temperatures inside the High Tunnel Greenhouse on the Cayuga Community College campus were a balmy 35 degrees; the air temperature, 40 degrees. The cold-hardy plants growing underneath the tunnel were doing just fine.

The High Tunnel, put in as a demonstration garden in partnership with the Cayuga/Seneca Community Action Agency, was installed in the fall of 2012, behind the campus library on the Auburn campus. The agency provided funding through a hunger relief grant from the Walmart Foundation to build the greenhouse on campus, near the Thomas F. Steenburgh Nature Center. Volunteers and staff from the agency and the campus community helped coordinate the installation, ground preparation, and plantings. The idea for this community-college collaboration originated with Michael Pastore, the College's registrar, as a culmination of his leadership training, interest in gardening, and passion for community building. The greenhouse serves as a demonstration site for education on food production as well as a community service project. The food produced inside the greenhouse will be donated to the Calvary Food Pantry in Auburn for distribution. And plans are in the works for future educational programs about the greenhouse as a viable way to grow certain crops year-round.

CAYUGA COLLEGEAN EARN EARN ANDERSON AWARD

Congratulations to The Collegen Staff for earning a second place award presented by the American Scholastic Press Association for 2012. Managing Editors D.J. DuVall '12 and Jamie Blumrick '12 received the "Merritt Award" created by former editor-in-chief, Mathew M Kratts '06 in honor of long-time Faculty Advisor, Mary G. Merritt. Alec Rider, The Collegen's Editor-in-chief for Fall '12 & Spring '13 was honored with a 'Best Staff Writer' Award.

TELECOM NEWS

Cayuga Records recording artist nominated for SAMMY

Cayuga Records recording artist Joanne Perry and her Cayuga Records album "Hearts Don't Play By Rules" have been nominated for a SAMMY award (Syracuse Area Music Awards). The student producer of the album is Mike Cappelletti. Faculty/Staff producers are Mike Cortese and Doug Brill.

Cayuga Records is dedicated to teaching media production and entrepreneurship skills to Telecm students at Cayuga Community College. It was founded, in part, by grants from the Kauffman Foundation and the Stardust Foundation.

TELECOM NEWS

Cayuga Collegian earns award

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The Criminal Justice program has come a long way since its beginning in the 1960s. Part-time instructors taught a handful of students in a combination of day and night classes. With the increasing need for instruction in the field, the College started a complete program in 1971. Enrollment grew from 43 to 385 by the fall of 1977. Francis J. Sikora, chairman of the Criminal Justice Department, was a key figure in the formation of the program. Faculty members possessed not only their academic credentials but were recognized experts in their field of expertise. The program's success was recognized on a national level in 2011. The Baltimore City Police Department was looking to recruit from upstate New York because of the work ethic found there. They chose Cayuga Community College to be an off-site testing center—the only one outside of Baltimore—because of the strength of its CJ program.

Today, CCC’s Criminal Justice program is highly respected as one of the college’s most popular curriculums. An important feature of the program is that it offers students hands-on, real life experiences and prepares them to enter law enforcement. Though there are many, we would like to share stories from some of our CJ alumni.

**Faculty Member John E. Lamphere ’74**

John is Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice and History and Criminal Justice Coordinator on the Fulton Campus. He received his bachelor’s degree from SUNY Oswego in 1976, a Master’s in Public Administration from Marist College, with Graduate Studies in History from SUNY-Oswego. In 1996, he won the New York State Sheriffs Association’s “Deputy of the Year” award. After 27 years of service in his first career, Lamphere retired at the rank of Chief Deputy from the Cayuga County Sheriff’s Department. Of his “second” career, teaching, John said he loves the interaction and seeing how the students develop by the end of each semester. He is a much beloved professor and the Student Association at the Fulton campus thinks so highly of him that they have voted him “Teacher of the Year” five times!

Lamphere is a Civil War historian and self-proclaimed “history geek.” John participates in speaking engagements and lectures held at area libraries, historical sites and museums on a variety of historical subjects. In addition to serving as past president, vice-president and secretary for the Alumni Association, John’s dedication to the Association includes his renowned annual guided tours of the Gettysburg Battlefield.

John can often be found involved in the CJC alumni “Deputy of the Year” award ceremony and fundraising events. He is a life member of the Weedsport Volunteer Fire Department, and in 1999, Lamphere accepted the ACC/CCC Alumni Association Award. John has two daughters, Jolene and Ryann, and his “significant other,” Liz McCormick, is an Associate Professor at CCC.

**Facility Member Theresa Misiszczak**

Assistant Professor Theresa Misiszczak currently teaches Criminal Justice courses at the Auburn campus and online. She has been part of the college’s London Travel-Study Program for six years, teaching Sociology. Theresa began as an adjunct on the Fulton campus in 2004, and in 2008, received a full-time appointment. Misiszczak serves as the advisor for the CJ Club, which is active in the surrounding community in addition to the events held on campus.

Theresa is involved with several professional organizations including: Criminal Justice Educators Association of New York State (CJEANYS), Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS), and American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AASF). She received an A.O.S. in Paralegal Studies, B.A. in Sociology with a concentration in Criminology and Criminal Law, and M.S./ACJS in Policy Studies and Criminal Justice Sciences from SUNY Oswego. Misiszczak has the distinction of being CCC’s first female CJ professor. She states that, “The Criminal Justice Program at CCC is one of the best programs I have had the pleasure of working in. The faculty is very knowledgeable and hardworking and the students are eager to learn. I can’t say enough about our current and past students.”

**Faculty Member Lloyd E. Hoskins ’74**

Lloyd received his bachelor’s degree in Police Science at Wayland Baptist University, an M.S. Ed. at SUNY Oswego, an M.S. Ed/CAS at St. Lawrence University, and his Ph.D. in Criminal Justice in 2011 at Walden University. He received additional education while in the military and holds several certifications from New York State.

A decorated veteran of the U.S. Army, Will served from 1974 until 1995, when he retired at the rank of First Sergeant (E-6). Will has received numerous teaching awards, including the Northstar Award, SUNY Canton’s top student-given award. Since 2005 he has had his works appear in many professional publications and has made presentations on law enforcement topics at research symposia. This past spring, Will was presented with the ACC/CCC Alumni Award at the May Commencement ceremony and honored at a brunch prior to the event.

Active in his community, Will is a member of the Knights of Columbus, a Past Grand Knight of the Sarto Council, and current president of the Board of Directors of the Raquette Valley Habitat for Humanity. He assists his wife JoAnne, also a SUNY Canton employee, with the campus-based Habitat for Humanity Club.

Fassinger kindly attributes much of his success to his experiences while attending ACC, and the bonds he developed with the faculty and staff. He commented that, “while at Auburn I developed a desire to learn and grow academically….At this point in my life I am able to pass along what I learned at Auburn to the students I now encounter—strong study habits, never quitting, and striving for educational greatness.”

**Gerard “Gerry” Guiney ’82**

Gerry served in Vietnam from 1968 to 1970 while in the U.S. Army and was honorably discharged. He earned his Bachelor of Professional Science-Correction Administration degree from SUNY College of Technology at Utica/Rome in 1981 and his Associate’s in Criminal Justice from CCC in 1982. Guiney’s 38-year career with the NYS Department of Correctional Services began as a Correction Officer and he rose through the unified ranks to Deputy Superintendent of Security. He became a Certified Training Instructor/Evaluator, as well as a Corrections Consultant for the Department of Justice and numerous other state and municipal law enforcement and correction agencies throughout the country. He has been a crisis incident manager and hostage negotiator for 29 years.

Over the years, Gerry has been an active member in the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, CYO Basketball, Auburn Boys and Girls Baseball League, and Auburn Indians Football and Cheerleading. He is a current member of the ACC/CCC Alumni Board. Gerry is married to the former Marilyn DiRaddo and they have two sons, G. Adam and John.

Gerry feels that his education provided him with the discipline, confidence and skills necessary to be successful in his career. Guiney shared that, “My time at CCC provided me with the criminal justice education necessary to be a highly-qualified criminal justice professional.”

**Gerard “Gerry” Guiney**

Following his time in the U.S. Marine Corps, where he served as a Crew Chief on a CH-53E heavy lift helicopter, Byron attended CCC on the G.I. Bill as a non-traditional student. Once set up in the Criminal Justice program, Danis excelled, he realized his true passion was law enforcement/criminal justice. Byron felt that nothing could substitute for the real life experiences the professors brought to this program.

Byron joined the Criminal Justice Society which provided him with many opportunities. Following graduation, he attended SUNY Canton and obtained his bachelor’s degree in Criminal Investigation. The program consisted of a mix of forensic sciences and practical law enforcement application. Danis has recently enrolled in a master’s degree program in Forensic Science where he is currently stationed for work.

His career in law enforcement is young, and "promises a great deal of opportunities to learn, advance, and experience many different (and sometimes very scary) situations." Byron is now putting into practice all that he was taught at Cayuga, but shared that due to the nature of his work, he is unable to disclose exactly what he does or where he is stationed. (The position also prevents him from providing a current photograph.)

Without the time he spent at CCC, Danis feels he would not be where he is today. He still maintains contact with professors and friends he met here and hopes to someday return to the college to share some of his practical applications with young law enforcement hopefuls. “My time at Cayuga Community College can easily be described as my best years in college. The friendships formed, the professional contacts made, and the experiences I had are unsurpassed to this day.”
James B. Vargason ‘80

A 2001 Alumni Award recipient, Jim started practicing law in Auburn after graduating from Syracuse University College of Law in 1976. Five years later, he was elected District Attorney of Cayuga County, where he served for 16 years as the county’s chief law enforcement official and top prosecutor. Jim created first-of-its-kind programs in Cayuga County to combat child and domestic violence, as well as the first victim services program. He is the only Cayuga County DA to serve as President of the New York State District Attorneys Association. Jim also taught criminal justice courses at CCC for 18 years.

Following retirement from the Office of District Attorney in 2007, Jim and his wife Anne moved to Northern Virginia. He started a new career at the Department of Justice (DOJ) in Washington, D.C., where he investigates and prosecutes DOJ attorneys and federal agents for professional misconduct. Jim holds some of our nation’s highest security clearances, including a classified clearance, a top secret clearance, and is certified to courier classified national security information. Vargason has received five consecutive Sustained Superior Performance Awards from the DOJ.

In early 2011, Jim completed a rigorous three-month pre-deployment training program after volunteering to go to a warzone in Iraq to serve one year as the DOJ’s Criminal Division’s Resident Legal Advisor and Rule of Law Section Chief. Jim underwent extensive training in diplomacy, antiterrorism, antiterrorist driving and weapons and firearms certification, after which he was appointed as a Special Deputy U.S. Marshal.

In Iraq, Jim first served at a Civilian/Military Provincial Reconstruction Team on a U.S. Military Base, and then at the first U.S. Consulate General, both in Basrah. He led a team of six legal professionals, and worked closely with Iraqi justice sector officials providing technical assistance, training, and advice to Iraqi judges, prosecutors, judicial investigators, and intelligence officials, among others. Jim traveled throughout Iraq by Blackhawk helicopters and in mine resistant armored personnel carriers on rocket attacks on his base and while he worked in other provinces in Iraq.

After completing his tour of duty in March 2012, Jim returned to Northern Virginia and resumed the position he held at the DOJ before he left for Iraq.

Reflecting on his time at CCC, Jim shared: “I chose Cayuga Community College because it had an excellent reputation with a Criminal Justice program of instructors with real life experience in their respective fields. It was the first step in achieving a law degree, earning an “Honorable” salutation as an elected official, and it can be said that it helped take me all the way to the Middle East where I had an incredible experience.”

Stephanie E. Melnick ’10

Stephanie received a B.A. in History and Religion from Wells College in 2009. She completed internships with the Oswego County Sheriff’s Department, the Cayuga County Sheriff’s Department, and the Auburn Police Department. Stephanie participated in the first Baltimore City PD recruitment program that took place at CCC.

As a criminal justice major at Cayuga Community College, Amanda “had unique opportunities that blended classroom studies with real world experiences.” She interned at the Cayuga County office of Contiguglia & Giacoma, attended court with Judge McKeon, and job shadowed the Chief Assistant District Attorney Chris Valdina.

Her mentor, CCC Assistant Professor John Lamphere, provided additional insight into the criminal justice field. While attending CCC, Amanda was enrolled concurrently at Wells College. After graduation and was hired by the BCPD. In 2011 she moved to Rochester, where she joined the Police Academy, graduating in July 2012 as a Police Officer.

“I got a lot of experience with the faculty and students at CCC in the Criminal Justice program which has greatly impacted the method in which I have approached being a Police Officer,” shared Stephanie. “My best memory thus far…Every day I get excited to put on my equipment, which weighs nearly half my weight, and see my fellow officers out in roll call. We all choose to be a team. Then my car is assigned to me and I want to see where my dispatcher will take me. I couldn’t imagine being anywhere else.”

Richard F. Rebeor ’74

Following graduation from ACC, Rick received his B.A. in Public Justice at SUNY Oswego in 1976, and joined the City of Fulton Police Department in 1977. He was promoted to Sergeant in 1986, and in 1994 was promoted to Lieutenant. Rick retired in 1997 and became the Fulton Fire and Police Commissioner from 1998 until 2004. Concurrently, he was Chairman of the Commission from 2000 through 2004.

During his 20 years of service, Rick received numerous certifications from the NYS Division of Criminal Justice. Among those were: Field Training Officer/FTO Instructor, Firearms Instructor-FBI & DCJS, Breath Test Operator, Accident Technician, Police-Mental Health Instructor, Highway Drug Interdiction Instructor, and Suicide/Crisis Prevention.

Other certifications included: Smith & Wesson Auto Pistol Armor, Glock Armorer’s Course, General Topic Instructor and Master Instructor.

Rick served on the County of Oswego County Alcoholic & Addictions Advisory Board and the County of Oswego County Drug Abuse Board. He was a member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board in Fulton and member and past president of the Fraternal Order of Police-Oswego County Lodge #1.

Rebeor began a second career as the owner/technician of Valley Locksmith. He is a member of several professional organizations related to this work and is a past president of CNY Locksmiths Association. Rick is currently certified as a Registered Safe Technician and a Journeyman Safecracker.

“None of these accomplishments would have been possible if it wasn’t for the dedication to education and the leadership skills developed by the professors at Auburn Community College. It was their actions that inspired you--the student--to demand more of yourself than you thought possible.” Rebeor added that CJ Program Chair Frank Sikora provided that motivation and commitment to education and demanded dedication to excellence.

Robert A. Wells ’09

Robert began his formal pursuit of becoming a police officer while attending CCC’s Fulton Campus, a career choice he made while growing up in the Town of Hannibal. During his two years in the Criminal Justice Program, Rob was the manager of a local grocery store, worked in the school’s library, and served as a tutor. His ambition was evident as the he also served as secretary and then president of the Criminal Justice Society.

Following a lengthy hiring process, Wells was hired in January of 2010 by Sheriff Reuel Todd as a Deputy for the Oswego County Sheriff’s Department. Rob said, “Cayuga’s teachers, curriculum and internship opportunities gave me the required interpersonal skills and helped in the development of my professional self.”

Deputy Wells notes that less than one year after graduating from Cayuga with his Associate’s Degree in Criminal Justice-Police, he was handling complaints as simple as civil disagreements to calls as complex as fatal motor vehicle accidents and felony cases.

Robert A. Wells

The Criminal Justice staff in 1978: Theodore Reese, Kirby Vosburg, Francis Sikora and Neil Spaulding. Missing from the photo are Gary Durham, Mario Izzo, Robert Lewis, John Miskell, Thomas Murphy, Joseph Scollan and Ross Tisci.
DEPARTMENT NEWS

NURSING PROGRAM SURPASSES STATE PASS RATES

The Nursing program’s Class of 2012 achieved a 100 per cent pass rate on the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX), surpassing the 87% New York State and 90% national average pass rates. “We are very proud of these outcomes,” said Professor and Nursing Program Director Linda Alfieri. “Cayuga’s thirty-seventh graduating class continues our rich tradition of excellence.”

CCC NURSING STUDENTS INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY

Nurses are known for caring and that sentiment is instilled early in their education. Members of the CCC nursing program participate in several campus and community activities each semester. In September, students took blood pressures for patrons and provided education regarding hypertension at the Auburn Community Hospital annual Heart Expo. They also offered this service to visitors to the college’s annual Holiday Craft Fair in December.

In November the Nursing Club asked for donations of anything that might be helpful for people affected by SuperStorm Sandy. They collected a 53-foot tractor trailer nearly full of items such as water, clothing, diapers, baby formula, furniture, televisions and toys. Donations were taken by a volunteer truck driver to Catholic Charities in Newark, New Jersey, to be distributed to areas devastated by the storm.

Nursing students at the Heart Expo are: Emery House ’08, Samantha Palmer, Anna Leiter, Amy Updyke, Jennifer Schemerhorn and Christina Figueroa.

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THE SIX REALMS OF PIZZA DELIVERY

We’ve all had pizza delivered to our homes, but have you ever thought about what the driver’s life is like? No? Neither did we until Harlequin Productions decided to present the world premiere of The Six Realms of Pizza Delivery by Michael K. White as its fall 2013 production. And what a life they lead! Drugs? Yup…. Crazy people they deliver to (have you looked in the mirror lately?)… car break downs…and, yes, even sex are all part of the driver’s daily experiences. Stephen Hodge, LaRae Brooks and Chris Competillo were the drivers and Rachel Rodner was their paranoid boss back at the pizza shop. During their deliveries they met Shannon Reed and Michael Crowe as a couple waiting for her mother (Amada Basso) to die in a hospital room. Colin Wentworth played a man doing penance in life when an accident took a couple’s son. Chigger, a dog owned by Joshua Stedge’s character, was killed when the owner opened the door to take the pizza; Ian Moore carried the dead dog onstage in a garbage bag. Finally, an old hippie couple, Matthew Ryan Limerick and Lissy Fennessy, had a yard sale to help pay for her cancer treatments. Interesting scenes—some touching, but mostly hilarious! Students working backstage were: Stage Manager David Thieringer; Sound Designer Jed Daniels; Props Mistress Kat Jordan; Light Op Gillian Frame; and Sound Op Nathaniel Trant. Professionals brought in to guide the students were Ginny Fennessy and Michael Broughton, who designed the sets and lights. Matthew Ryan Limerick was also responsible for costumes. Riding herd over this collection of misfits was Director Bob Frame.

But Harlequin’s adventure did not end with those six performances. An adjudicator from the Theatre Association of NY State came to view a performance and honored the production with Meritorious Achievement awards in Scenic Design to Ginny Fennessy and Ensemble Acting to Matthew Ryan Limerick and Lissy Fennessy. The show was also offered an invitation to perform at TANYS’ annual Festival held for the final year in Batavia, NY, at Genesee Community College. In two short weeks, the show was restaged (the Festival space was a proscenium stage rather than the multi-stage set up that was used in the CCC Black Box), set changes were issued, Bob had two sets to rework to make the show travel and the 17 students, Director Frame and LD Broughton set off down the Thruway. They performed Saturday morning to great laughter and acclaim. At the awards ceremony, Matthew Ryan Limerick and Kat Jordan received Festival Adjudicator awards for Costumes and Props and The Six Realms of Pizza Delivery was honored with one of the Festival’s top awards—Best Long Production! What a great way to cap off the weekend!

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DIRECTOR FRAME GARNERS UNPRECEDENTED HONORS

But that wasn’t all that happened at the TANYS Festival. Bob Frame, who is also president of TANYS, directed ‘night, Mother for the Auburn Players in late September. This show featured Jessica Cantu and longtime Auburn stalwart Martha Petrosino as a mother and daughter who over the course of the evening need to deal with the daughter’s announcement that she is going to “kill herself that night.” A TANYS adjudicator saw the show during its run and awarded the work with Meritorious Achievement in Acting nods to both actresses and in directing to Frame. Navro Dahi and Tracey Herman received Excellence in Set Design and Decorating honors.

In October ‘night, Mother also received an invitation to perform at the TANYS Festival. Out of close to 100 productions seen over the course of the year, only a limited number—eight—receive these invitations; two were from Auburn, both directed by Frame. So, for the two weeks after the invitations were issued, Bob had two shows in rehearsal and two sets to rereact to make the trip to the Festival. The Thursday night before the Festival, first The Six Realms of Pizza Delivery, and then ‘night, Mother, each put up their sets, performed their shows for small audiences, then took down their sets. Both sets were then loaded onto a rental truck and away they drove. Also involved with ‘night, Mother were alums, Ann (Rose) Frame ’83, Tracey (Crandall) Herman ’92, Lindsay Boy ’01 and Jim Gadsby ’94. They performed Saturday afternoon and rocked the Festival. At the awards ceremony, Jessica and Martha received Outstanding Performance awards from both the Festival Adjudicators and People’s Choice. The show itself won People’s Choice. Best Production and Best Short Production from the Festival Adjudicators. As Best Short Production, ‘night, Mother will be one of two shows representing NY State in a six state regional festival (ESTA) in April!!! This is the first time in the 51-year history of TANYS Festivals that one director not only had two shows at the Festival but also walked away with top honors in Best Long and Best Short productions. Great job, Bob!

There will be a benefit performance of the award-winning ‘night, Mother later in the spring. Watch the local media for time and date.
LADY SPARTANS SOCCER HONORED BY THE NSCAA

The Cayuga Women’s Soccer Team was one of four NJCAA programs nationwide awarded the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Team Ethics Award. A total of 74 awards were handed out from the NCAA Division I, II, III, NAIA, NJCAA and NCCAA Division I, III levels nationwide. The Lady Spartans were awarded the Silver Star for having fewer than five yellow cards over the course of the entire 2012 campaign. “I have stressed with the team the importance of respecting our competition and playing within the rules of the game, exhibiting sportsmanship before, during and after matches. I think being recognized for this award says a great deal about the character of our team given the struggles we endured over the course of the 2012 season. Ideally we would like to win the Gold Star for zero cards, but given the physicality of the game, and different interpretations of officials, this can sometimes be out of your control,” said Coach Renaud. “Coaches Simmons and I will continue to stress the importance of this award, as well as the importance of being recognized as an NSCAA All-Academic Team. We place both of these team awards well above conference championships/wins and losses,” Renaud added.

The NSCAA Team Ethics Award recognizes teams that exhibit fair play, sporting behavior and adherence to the laws of the game, as reflected by the number of yellow caution cards or red ejection cards they are shown by referees throughout the season.
We've been in the new Fulton Campus now for almost two full semesters. It is hard to believe that this time last year the entire campus was heading into one of the busiest, most disruptive spring/summers we would ever experience together. What an accomplishment! And now classrooms are filling up, hallways are busy with pizza sales and SGO and club activities, students are sitting everywhere with their laptops perched on chairs or counters, and employees have all settled into their office suites.

But, let me tell you about the jewel of our campus. It is the Learning Commons (LC). If you've never been to the Fulton Campus or any campus that has a Learning Commons, you may not know what I mean. The LC at Fulton sprawls for 12,000 square feet and is located right at the center of the building. When you enter the campus, you cannot miss it. It is two stories high and has glass all around its perimeter. The colors are warm and inviting and combined with the low murmur that rises from the students and staff below, serves to create a cozy setting despite the grandeur of the space. It really is something to see!

The Learning Commons model is designed specifically to provide a dynamic and collaborative learning environment of student learning and academic support. And ours does just that! The LC in Fulton houses the entire Library (staff, book collection, databases, etc.) as well as important services found in the Center for Academic Success, including tutoring, services for students with disabilities, accommodative and makeup testing, etc. This vibrant room houses 57 student computers, a variety of tables and chairs on wheels, soft lounge seating with folding laptop arms, and lots of quiet corners for studying or reading.

If you've not been to our new campus, I would invite you to come and take a look for yourself. Just walk in our main front doors and ask the friendly face at our welcome desk where the Learning Commons is. She'll point you in the right direction. And while you're here, maybe sign up for a class!

Although at first glance, it may appear these are real patients, they are NOT Fulton Nursing students!

The Fulton campus hosted the annual Oswego County Guidance Associations’ College Fair this past October. More than 60 colleges and universities sent admissions representatives to meet with high school students from the nine school districts in Oswego County. Hundreds of high school students attended and, for most, it was their first introduction to Cayuga's new facilities at River Glen. It was also the first time that Cayuga has had the space to host the College Fair.

OSWEGO COUNTY COLLEGE FAIR

Alumni board member and Fulton Office Manager, JoAnn Harris ’95, was recognized by the Fulton Veterans Club for her hard work and dedication on their behalf. Shown L-R: Member and CCC Student Trustee Kevin Coleman; Advisor Ryan Young; JoAnn Harris; President Jason Adams; and Vice-President Ken Cisson.

Professor and Nursing Program Director Linda Alferi together with Assistant Professor of Nursing Jennifer L. Nichols ’01, are shown outside the new Nursing Lab following the Fulton Campus Open House this past September.
A NOTE ON CLASS NOTES: We appreciate having our alum send us their news and updates. In many cases, though, our staff enlist the aid of all available news sources to bring these Class Notes to our readers. We apologize for any omissions or errors that may occur.

Ralph G. Fall ‘57 is retired and “Getting older each day!”

Louis A. Nocilly ‘62 shares that he has been “very busy.” He said that he showed Donald Trump his school records, made headlines, was recently going on trips to “wine—challenged” Italy; starred in adult movies with his friend Mark; and did brief marriage counseling to two couples. Petrusa, We at the Alumni Office agree that Mr. Nocilly has been “very busy.”

Richard J. Keaul ‘63 served 20-plus years on the Town of Owasso Planning Board. He was elected to the Owasso Town Board in 2011. In 1996, he sold his share of his electrical business and in 1998, retired from Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES as Electrical Trades Instructor. He and his wife Barbara, who was a professor at CCC, have four grandchildren.

David P. Mauamua ‘64 still owns his consulting business. He continues to play softball (about 250 games a year) in various senior leagues and tournaments, and he and his wife Maxine are living in The Villages, Florida.

Nancy T. Ferrara ‘65 is a retired teacher from the Auburn Enlarged School District.

Michael J. Ganey ‘66 attended SUNY Oswego following his graduation from ACC. He was employed in insurance claims for seven years and then earned his M.B.A. from Darden School of Business at the University of Virginia. He has completed a Strategic Marketing Management Executive Program at the Harvard Business School. Michael spent 35 years in marketing at organizations such as Anheuser-Busch, Howard, Merrill & Partners, and Bahlsen. Inc. Currently, he is the VP of Marketing of the American Kennel Club, a $60 million non-profit organization.

Patricia L. McMahon Hartwell ‘71 received her B.A. in Psychology from SU and her M.Ed. in Student Personnel Services from University of South Carolina. She is currently a network Contract Manager at United Healthcare. Patricia is married to Christopher and they have two step-daughters, Emily and Jennifer, and one daughter, Mary Catherine.

Jamey and Murray Perlman, born to Christine and Ryan Whipple, are former ACC/CCC Alumni Board members.

Christine M. (Jones) Freberg, close, BN, BS ‘98 has been appointed to a new position as an Admissions Office of Cayuga Community College. She is a local child psychologist, is the screening and of special “Shaklette.” The screenplay had a staged reading presented by the actors of the Canisius College Little Theatre on January 26. Susun received two degrees at Canisius College on March 24, in communication studies and a master’s in counseling and human service. She received a doctorate in counseling psychology in 2000 at the University of Sarasota.

Jeffrey M. Szczesniak ‘01, CCC’s WQWFM-FM (WQW) program director, was nominated for “Best Taste in Music,” while the radio station also was nominated for “Most Creative Programming” for the 2012 College Music Journal National College Radio Awards. Both were nominees.
GOLDEN SPARTAN: Kay Benedict Sgarlata ’63

We welcome Kay as a Golden Spartan and thank her for agreeing to be the initial representative of a ‘63s class. She has been featured in previous newsletters as one of our “Alumni Authors.”

Following receipt of her B.S. and M.S. Educational degrees from SUNY Oswego and a Certificate of Advanced Study in Educational Administration from Syracuse University, Kay taught elementary education for over eleven years. She was also president and negotiator for the West Genesee Teacher’s Association.

Benedict Sgarlata completed an administrative internship with Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES, the first woman accepted for that position. She entered governmental administration and served as the Regional Representative for both Governor Mario Cuomo and Assembly Speaker Stanley Fink. She was Manager of Exhibits at the New York State Fair, retiring in 1995.

Kay joined the ACC Alumni Board and served as president. From 1990 to 1995 Kay served as president of the 50,000 plus member SUNY Oswego Alumni Association. Throughout her career, Benedict Sgarlata has earned numerous honors and awards, most notably SUNY Oswego’s “Alumni Service Award,” the Association of Boards & Councils of the Two-Year Colleges of the State University of New York “Distinguished Alumna Award,” and West Genesee School District’s “Teacher of the Year.”

The author of two memoirs, The Class of ’63, published in 2007, and a prequel, Lessons from the Lower Road, published in 2010, Kay is now living in Syracuse with her husband Anthony (Tony). She is the stepmother to two adult sons and a daughter and enjoys her two grandchildren. Kay remains active in her community and has current memberships with many local organizations. Benedict Sgarlata proudly shares that her experience at a two–year state institution laid the groundwork for her careers in both education and governmental administration. “Professors like Robert Gallo and Ruth Pencheon certainly inspired me to become more than I believed myself capable.”

STAFF PASSING

John R. “Jack” Kowatch, a member of the College’s Buildings & Grounds staff for more than 27 years, died September 14, 2012, following a short illness. John was a life resident of the Auburn area and a proud veteran of the U.S. Navy, having served on the U.S.S. Intrepid. John was stationed aboard the Intrepid when it was the recovery ship for Mercury Astronaut Scott Carpenter following his historic orbital flight in 1962. John was employed by Auburn/Cayuga Community College from 1971 until his retirement in 1998. Prior to that, he was employed by Auburn Plastics. John was a faithful communicant of S.S. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church. Survivors include his wife of 48 years, the former Janice Dellow; children and their spouses, John and Cindy Kowatch, and Beth and Rob Westmiller, all of Auburn; grandchildren, Michael and Jonathan Westmiller; and great-grandsons, Gavin and Easton Verdi. Also surviving are his siblings, George, of Auburn, and David, of Fulton; sisters, Marion (Michael) Picciano, of Weedsport, and Joan (Henry) MacDonald, of Auburn, as well as several nieces and nephews. John loved spending time with his grandchildren.
Mary Grace Battram ’65 died December 15, 2012. She graduated from SUNY Oswego, Brown University, Bowling Green University, Lowell Technical Institute and Pennsylvania State University. She was a chemistry major and biology teacher at Red Creek Central School for 32 years. Mary Grace earned several distinctive awards for teaching, including the presidency of the Rochester Chapter of the American Chemical Society and the prestigious 2002 Outstanding High School Teacher of the Year. Mary Grace was named Teacher of the Year in 1983 at Red Creek Central School. She enjoyed her teaching career, as well as music, reading, Scrabble, gardening and travel. She is survived by her sister, Margaret Abeyta, her brother-in-law, Robert Randolph Jr., an aunt, one niece, and eight nephews. 

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SPRING 2013 ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, March 6 - Auburn Campus
Comedian Ryan Reiss

Ryan Reiss is a stand-up comedian, writer, and actor who began his career as a comedian while attending college at NYU. Ryan’s quick wit, instant likeability and unique way of engaging any audience have made him one of the most sought after comedians in the NY clubs. Ryan has been seen as a host on MTV, TRL, Nickelodeon U Pick Live, and the Howard Stern Show.
11am/Cafe
Auburn Campus

Wednesday, March 13 - Auburn Campus
Traciana Graves: International, multi-lingual singer & composer

Bullied for 15 years, and also losing her stepbrother to a horrific hazing incident in college, Traciana has been deeply affected by intolerance and incivility on campus and beyond. With the support of mentors and role models, she reclaimed her personal identity and her voice, which led to a career touring the world and performing as a songwriter and singer for Celine Dion and six-time Grammy award winning Steel Pulse. She chose to use the true power of her voice in an incredibly powerful way by founding Civility in Action.

11 am/Student Lounge
Auburn Campus

Friday, March 15 - Auburn Public Theater
An Evening of Comedy

Marcus Harvey is the world’s first “SurUrban” comedian and is a rising star in the world of comedy.

He is also a celebrity barber and gathers a lot of material joking with the likes of Chris Webber and while touring with Nas on his European tours.

Wednesday, April 17 - Fulton Campus
An Afternoon of Entertainment

Ran’D Shine is the New Face of Magic! Magic is much more than just entertainment and he wants to use it to expand your mind...get you to look at things from a different angle...and explore a bit of what the term “diversity” truly means.

Michael Harrison is clever, honest, and has an outrageous style, always delivering a hysterical comedy show that keeps his audiences wanting more. He has also found time to develop a solid acting resume with appearances on NBC’s “The Bridge,” “Queer as Folk,” the TBS movie “The Jazzman,” and a co-hosting spot on “E-West.”
4 pm/Event Center

Lucas Bohn is energetic with an edge. The perfect blend of schoolboy charm and bad-boy charisma, his comedy is both smart and audacious. The little guy who generates big laughs, Lucas has shared the stage with Dave Chapelle, Jimmy Fallon, and Pablo Francisco. He also does voice-overs and has been featured on PBS, CBS, and Coastal Today.

7 pm/Auburn Public Theater
$5 students/$10 General Admission

Monday, March 25 - Auburn Campus
Lindsay Benner

Lindsay has toured around the world with her one-woman show entertaining the magic world’s elite at The Magic Castle in Hollywood and been a favorite among LA comedy clubs. Her success in the comedy scene led to an invitation to appear on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno.
11am/Cafe
Auburn Campus

Monday, April 22 - Auburn Campus
Hana Pestle

While still in her early 20’s, Hana has achieved much success in the music world. After working with Ben Moody (of Evanescence) at the age of 17, she was the opener for tours with Blues Traveler, Live, and Collective Soul. She has also toured with notable names such as Graham Colton, Ingram Hill, Ari Hest and Jon McLaughlin. As much as her touring accolades will astound you, it’s her amazing voice that will blow you away!
11am/Cafe
Auburn Campus

Friday, April 19-21 - Auburn Campus
Weekend Trip to Washington, D.C.

Join the ACC/CCC Alumni Association on a “Create Your Own Experience” bus trip to Washington, D.C. Trip includes round-trip motor coach transportation, accommodations at the Marriott Crystal City Hotel, private tour of the National Air & Space Museum Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center, as well as snacks and beverages on the bus. Contact the Alumni Association at www.alumni@cayuga-cc.edu, visit the office in room M238 on the Auburn campus, or call 315-255-1743 extension 2224 or 2454. Trip is currently available for sign up, until sold out.
Departs 6 am

Saturday, July 20 - Auburn Campus
Day Trip to New York City

The ACC/CCC Alumni Association presents the annual New York City day trip. $70 per person includes snacks and beverages provided on the bus. Contact the Alumni Association at www.alumni@cayuga-cc.edu, visit the office in room M238 on the Auburn campus, or call 315-255-1743 extension 2224 or 2454. Trip goes on sale April 22 until sold out.
Departs 6 am
Let’s Talk!

In this age of technology, it seems that the most prevalent form of communication is texting, tweeting, Facebook and E-mail. Even with landline usage diminishing, we are so pleased that our annual Alumni Phone-a-Thon continues to be successful. And that’s because of you – our great alumni!

We want to take this opportunity to once again thank all of you who have made a gift to our Alumni Association through the CCC Foundation.

If you’ve already given to the fall appeal, or you’re a faculty or staff member who participated in the staff/faculty appeal, you won’t be called.

Your gift of any size means so much to our students, and we hope it makes you feel good too! Funds generated help to fund scholarships and book grants, purchase equipment for our students, and much, much more.

If you get the call this month, we hope you’ll take a moment to speak with our staff. We promise not to take too much of your time, but this event is very important to all of us, plus, we’d like to hear what’s new with you!

There are plenty of ways to stay connected with your Alumni Association

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