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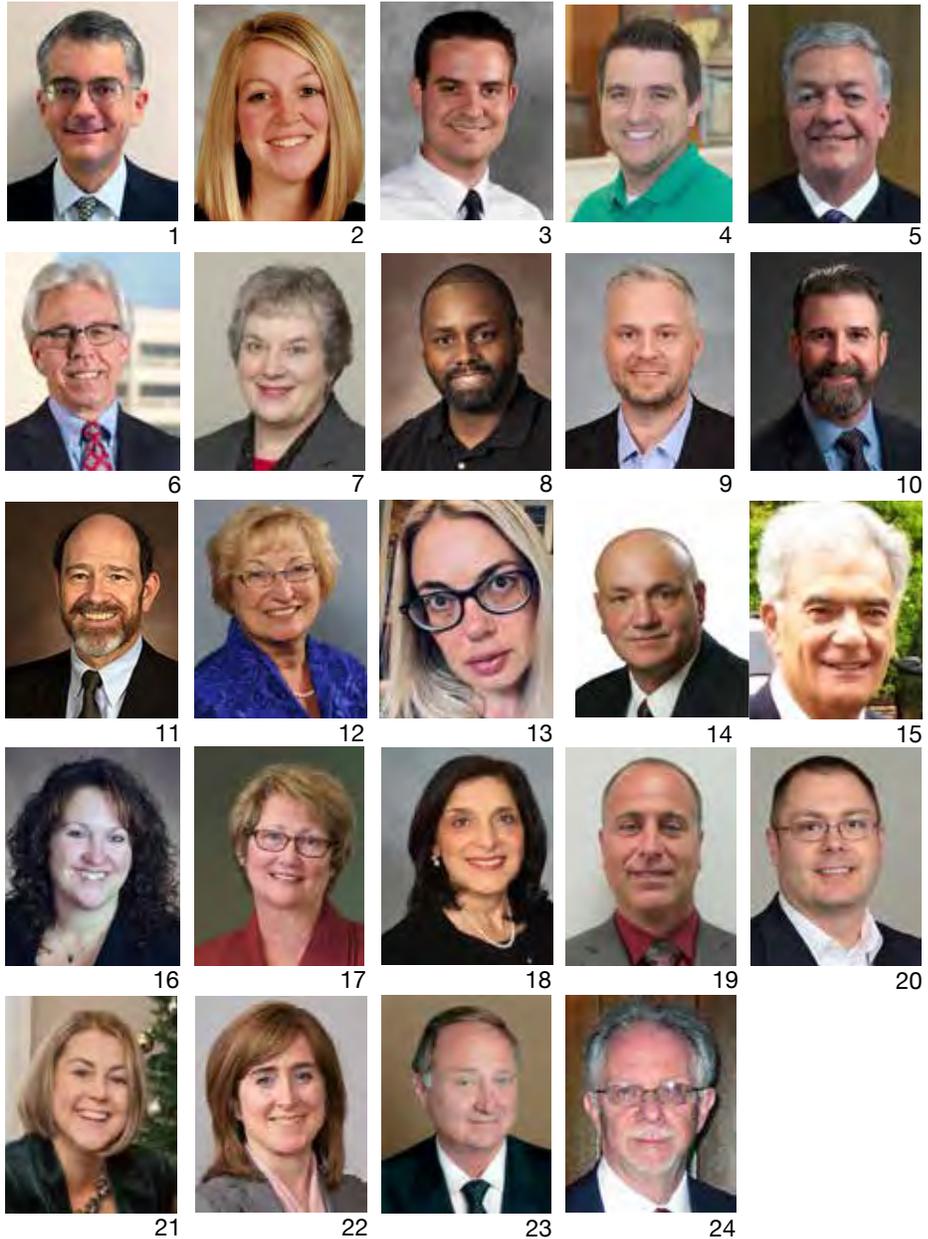
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Current and former members of the Cayuga Community College Board of Trustees and members of the Foundation Board and staff with students recognized at the Presidents' Circle Dinner in July 2025"



A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends and Supporters,

Every year, the Cayuga College Foundation has the privilege of witnessing how generosity transforms lives. Behind every scholarship, every building renovation, and every program, there is a story — a student finding their path, a faculty member gaining resources to teach more effectively, and a community strengthened by the College's presence.

Take, for example, the opening of the **Workforce Development Center** on Grant Avenue in Auburn. What began as a vision became a reality thanks to the support of the Fred L. Emerson, D. E. French, and Stanley W. Metcalf foundations and a capping grant from Unrestricted Funds of the Foundation. Today, that center is buzzing with activity — local residents learning new skills, employers finding trained workers, and students discovering opportunities they never imagined.

On the Fulton Campus, the **Oswego County Regional Police Academy** now stands as a beacon of service and safety. With the support of the Oswego County Legislature and the Foundation's capping grants, as with the Workforce Development Center matched dollar-for-dollar by SUNY, the Academy is preparing the next generation of officers who will protect and serve our communities.

In 2024–2025, we also helped the College achieve two long-held goals. The installation of a new HVAC system in the **Student Wellness Center (formerly The CUBE)** ensures that the building, which is home to the College Nursing Office and Food Pantry, remains a welcoming, healthy space for students. And with the purchase of **231 Franklin Street**, the College now controls the entire frontage between its main entrance and upper parking lot, securing a vision that began years ago with the acquisition of an adjacent property by the Foundation. Both projects were also matched dollar for dollar by SUNY.

But perhaps the most inspiring stories come from our students. This year, more than 50 local high schoolers received the **Early College Pathways Scholarship**, part of a three-year, \$250,000 Foundation initiative to reward students who worked diligently to earn college credits while completing their Regents diploma. These are not just scholarships; they are lifelines, opening doors to futures filled with promise.

The Foundation believes an essential part of its mission is to help build a strong sense of community at Cayuga. For this reason, it supports initiatives such as establishing the Cayuga Book Club, organizing food truck events, sponsoring the TeleCom students going to New York City and assisting the Harlequin Theatre.

None of these stories would be possible without you. Your belief in Cayuga Community College and its mission fuels every success we celebrate. Together, we are not only building facilities and fund programs, we are shaping lives, strengthening communities, and writing the next chapter of Cayuga's story.

With gratitude,

Kevin LaMontagne
Board President

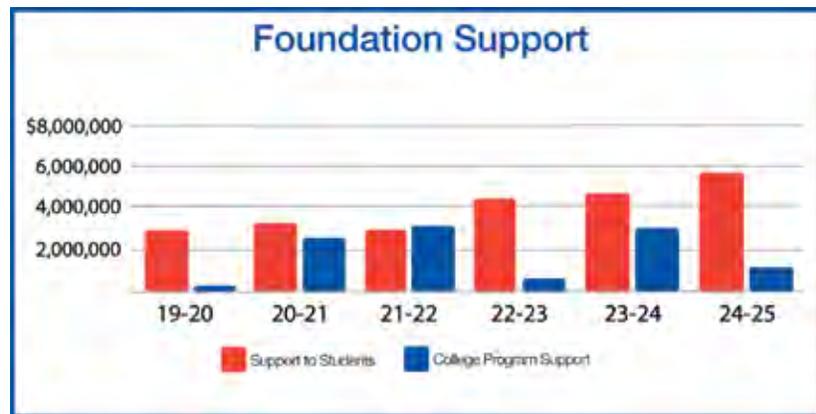
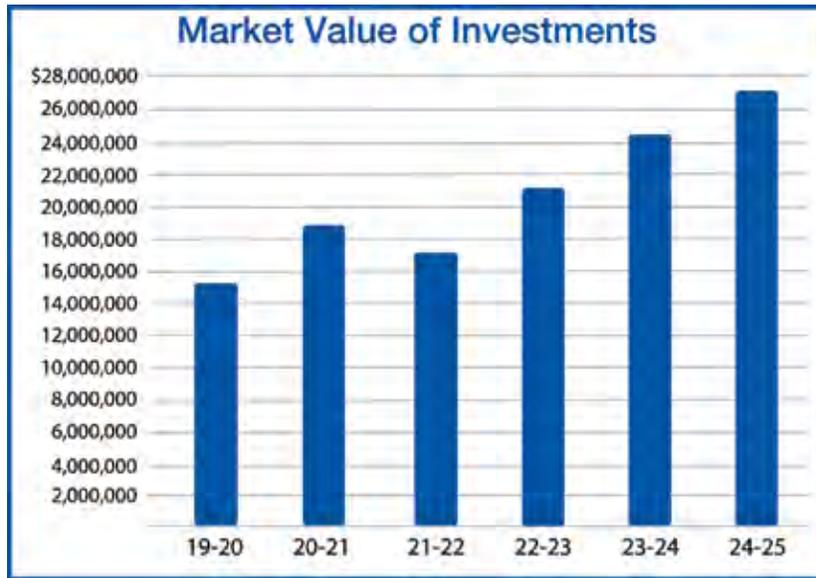
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FOUNDATION APPRECIATES STUDENT ARTIST'S HELP



Foundation Board members presented student artist **Faith Campbell '25** with a framed copy of her artwork. Ms. Campbell's artwork, Peace in Nature, was featured on the holiday card. Ms. Campbell, through her professor Melissa Johnson, has provided art for the Foundation to use several times.

Pictured left to right, back row: Guy Cosentino, John H. Callahan, **David Verdi '06**, Darryl Clark, Dr. Dennis Golladay, Doug Kinney, Dr. Brian Durant. Front row: Prof. Loraine Miller, Michael Frame, Faith Campbell, Prof. Melissa Johnson and Kia Larsen.

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Ahndria Wilson

Presidential Scholar and ACC/CCC

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The Presidential Scholarship was a blessing for me. Going into the Nursing program I was stressed about not having any scholarships and this one fell into my lap. It has paid for my tuition leaving me stress free. I appreciate Cayuga for allowing me to receive this scholarship.

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Kayla Bunce

Presidential Scholar, Fulton Savings Bank Scholar,
Irving & Helen Belth Memorial Award
Class of 2025

The scholarships I received not only supported my criminal justice studies at Cayuga but also made it possible for me to move forward to a four-year school. Your belief in students like me motivates me to keep working hard and pursue a career that will make a positive impact.

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BOOSTING THE LOCAL ECONOMY THROUGH A WIN WIN FOR THE COLLEGE AND A LOCAL MANUFACTURER

More than 15 years ago, the College asked the Foundation to help gain control of the River Glen Property that would eventually house the College's Fulton Campus. Following the direction of the last three Cayuga Presidents, the Foundation has assisted the College in filling and modifying several of the store fronts in the old shopping plaza as businesses, such as K-mart, ceased operations.

Since the arrival of President Brian Durant, the Foundation has been asked to help cap several buildouts with contributions from our Unrestricted Endowment Funds, including the Advanced Manufacturing Institute in 2023 and the Oswego County Regional Police Academy this year. These funds have been matched, dollar for dollar by the State University of New York (SUNY).



Since early 2020 the Foundation has been in discussions with Michelle Shatrau, the President of N.E.T. & Die of Fulton, to help her expand her business that had its growth constrained at its site along the Oswego River. President Shatrau had been very involved in the College's workforce development programs on our

Fulton Campus, so working with her to find a possible site on the Fulton Campus made sense – a win win for workforce development, supporting a local business and also boosting local economic development efforts.

In September, the Foundation concluded the real estate sale, in the amount of \$1.3 million, for the 90,000 plus square feet portion of the River Glenn Plaza that housed the former K-Mart. This spring N.E.T. & Die opened in its new home next to the College's Advanced Manufacturing Institute. During this whole process the Foundation has been kept "whole" financially without the loss of any funds from our endowment, with the College insuring this through successive leases. The Foundation still owns the building between the main College building, a former P & C, and N.E.T. & Die which houses several new Citi BOCES classrooms, an Events Center used by the College for large groups and a Student Activities space, in addition to the Advanced Manufacturing Institute.

The former bank building in our parking lot is currently available for future development.



MAKE-A-DIFFERENCE CAMPAIGN DONORS

Over the past year, through the generosity and dedication of our staff, faculty, alumni, and friends, we helped 35 students navigate unexpected emergencies and stay enrolled. Thanks to your support, the Make-A-Difference Campaign raised \$31,510 to provide critical micro-grants to students in need.

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From our students...

"Thank you so much for enabling me to pursue my dreams!"

"I want to thank you for the help I received that allowed me to be able to continue to focus on my schooling. There are not words to express my gratitude. Thanks to your support and help I am happy to say I am graduating on May 14th of this year!"

"Thank you so much for supporting my career. Receiving this grant is helpful in many ways; not only does it help with the financial aspects, but it serves as a reminder that the way you are to others does truly make an impact. It's encouraging. Thank you again!"

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Larry McEver '69
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Michael J. Niver '01

CAYUGA BOOK CLUB HEARS RENOWNED AUTHORS

Building Community Through Literature

In May 2024, the Cayuga College Foundation purchased tickets for students, faculty, and staff to attend the Friends of the Central Library Author Series at the Onondaga County Civic Center. The event featured Art Spiegelman, creator of the Pulitzer Prize-winning graphic novel *Maus: A Survivor's Tale*, and Neil Gaiman, beloved for his imaginative works.

Inspired by this experience, Professor Sheila Myers established a Book Club across both campuses in the Fall 2024. The inaugural selection was Bonnie Garmus' bestseller *Lessons in Chemistry* (2022), which follows chemist Elizabeth Zott as she reinvents herself as the host of a cooking show in 1960s Southern California. More than 30 Cayuga students, faculty, and staff attended Garmus' presentation in Syracuse on October 15th, 2024.

Building on this success, the Book Club leadership transitioned to College Librarian Holly Kuhl and Writing and Tutorial Support Coordinator

Chris Motto. For the Spring 2025, they selected Angie Thomas' acclaimed novel *The Hate U Give* (2017), which tells the story of a 16-year-old Black girl navigating the aftermath of her friend's death in an officer-involved shooting.

Book Club members were able to attend Ms. Thomas' lecture at the Onondaga County Civic Center, on April 8th, where she shared her theme of H.O.P.E. - Heart, Optimism,

Perspective, and Endurance - values that resonate deeply in her writing and with those who attended. Thanks to unrestricted donations to the Foundation, copies of the selected books are purchased for Book Club members. Before the lecture, students, faculty, and staff enjoyed a shared dinner at the Salt City Market, strengthening their academic and social connections.





A SHOWING OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Cayuga Community College's Omicron Gamma Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK), our Honor Society, held its annual induction ceremony on our Auburn Campus on Wednesday, May 7th. Over 50 students were inducted this year. New Cayuga Provost, Dr. Keiko Kimura, congratulated those in attendance, who included family members and supporters of our students.



Julia Wilson '25, SUNY Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence, was inducted into PTK in May.

College Foundation Executive Director Guy Thomas Cosentino, presented the Miele /Fama Leadership Award to **Julia Wilson '25**. The Miele' Fama Leadership award recognizes a member of PTK who demonstrates exceptional leadership skills and a commitment to service. The award honors the many years of service to Phi Theta Kappa by faculty members Marge Miele and Donald Fama.



Ahndria Wilson, a Presidential Scholar and ACC/CCC Alumni Association Scholar, was inducted into PTK in May.



Caleb Iozzio, SGO President, was inducted into PTK in May.

He also presented the Phi Theta Kappa Dean Norman F. Bourke Award to **Jorge Jimenez '25**. The PTK Dean Norman Bourke Award is awarded to a member of PTK who demonstrates the leadership skills and academic excellence exemplified by the late Dean Bourke.

The Executive Director also explained why the Foundation helps to underwrite the induction fees for PTK Members on the Auburn and Fulton campuses. This opportunity allows PTK members to compete for over \$250 million dollars in awards and scholarships to transfer institutions, should they wish to further their education beyond Cayuga. This year the Foundation covered the induction fees for more than two dozen Cayuga students.

This event demonstrated the academic excellence of Cayuga's students. We are very proud of their academic achievements and look forward to following their academic and professional careers.

PTK 2024 – 2025

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CAYUGA'S NEW WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT CENTER IS THE PREMIER LOCATION FOR CAREER & TRAINING SERVICES



Left to Right: Aaron Wilcox, Constituent Services, Office of Congresswoman Claudia Tenney (NY-24), Marian Brown, Dr. Linda Van Buskirk, Mark Coleman, Hon. Heidi Nightengale, Hon. Aileen McNabb Coleman, Hon. Jonathan Anna, Dr. Brian Durant, Congressman John Mannion, Christopher White, SUNY Vice Chancellor for Workforce Development and Upward Mobility, Auburn Mayor Jimmy Giannettino, Jr., Guy Cosentino, Jeff Pirozzolo, and Tony Franceschelli.

Cayuga Community College formally opened its new Workforce Development Center in January, creating a streamlined avenue offering accessible services for job seekers and supporting the long-term economic success of regional employers.

“The Workforce Development Center is a symbol of Cayuga’s confidence in the vitality of our local economy and the talent and promise of our workforce,” said Dr. Durant. “Each day at this Center, career-focused agencies support the growth of our workforce and the prosperity of local businesses and industries. I appreciate the support of SUNY, the Cayuga County Legislature, and everyone who believed in this project and its potential to help our communities.”

The Workforce Development Center, located at 248 Grant Avenue in the City of Auburn, houses Cayuga’s Office of Community Education and Workforce Development, along with Cornell Cooperative Extension. The Cayuga Works Career Center, which includes the New York State Department of Labor and Cayuga County Employment and Training, is also located in the Workforce Development Center.

Those seeking services at the Center find diverse opportunities, including career counseling, vocational training, job skills training, and employment services for adults, youth and dislocated workers. Resources for employers are also available, including customized employee training.

“Cayuga Community College’s new \$6 million Workforce Development Center streamlines employment services and offers career training to support job seekers and meet the needs



Christopher White, SUNY Vice Chancellor speaks at the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

SUNY, federal, state and local leaders joined Cayuga President Dr. Brian Durant and other College administrators at the ribbon cutting of the Workforce Development Center, which is the primary source of employment services in Cayuga County. The one-stop is the local epicenter of career-focused agencies, helping job seekers, employers, and current employees looking to upskill.

Opening the state-of-the-art Workforce Development Center represented the completion of a critical strategic priority for Cayuga and demonstrated the College’s commitment to the area workforce and the future economic vibrancy of Cayuga County, said Dr. Durant.

of our local economy,” said Representative John W. Mannion, NY-22nd District. “I thank President Durant for sharing my commitment to building the workforce of the future and ensuring the region is well-positioned for Micron. In the state legislature, I more than doubled the funding for apprenticeship and career training programs. I look forward to working with NY-22 stakeholders to build on this record of success in Congress so the next generation has the skills they need to succeed and stay right here in Central New York and the Mohawk Valley.”

Diverse community partners supported the establishment of the Workforce Development Center. Cornell Cooperative Extension generously donated the building to Cayuga, and additional financial support for the project came from SUNY, the Cayuga County Community College Foundation, the Cayuga County Legislature, a Regional Economic Development Council consolidated funding application, and local philanthropic organizations.

The Cayuga team that brought it all together, Left to Right: Josh Rogalski, IT Network Technician, Bruce Walter, IT Manager of User Services, Dr. Brian Durant, College President, Doug Kinney, Director of Facilities Services & Public Safety/Chief of Campus Police, Tom Pratt, Architect, Thomas R. Pratt Architect, PC, and Anthony Ciampi, Building Maintenance Mechanic.



Cayuga County REALTORS® Association Create “Welcome Center” At Workforce Development Center



Members of the Cayuga County Chapter of the Greater Syracuse Association of REALTORS were on hand for the ribbon cutting on January 30th.

A generous donation made by the Cayuga County Chapter in 2022 supported two key student-focused initiatives at Cayuga Community College and closed out the Foundation’s Student Emergency Fund Challenge Grant created that Fall, surpassing its goal through their generosity. The \$40,000 gift from the REALTORS Association was divided between the Foundation’s Student Emergency Fund Challenge Grant and the creation of a new scholarship. The Cayuga County REALTORS Scholarship was established

to support business students attending Cayuga. In recognition of this generous gift the Cayuga Community College Board of Trustees recognized their support with a sign at the entrance area of the Workforce Development Center. Several members of the chapter were present for the photo that includes President Brian Durant and members of the Foundation Board and staff.

To be eligible for the Cayuga County REALTORS Association Scholarship, students must be enrolled full-time in Cayuga’s Business Administration program. A student whose parent or grandparent works or worked in the real estate business will be given first preference. Second preference will go to a student demonstrating financial need. The recipient is selected by the College’s Business faculty.

THE CAYUGA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS

	2023 TO 2024	2024 TO 2025
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 189,540	\$ 162,592
Other receivables	18,212	200
Prepaid expenses	28,143	24,008
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	235,895	186,800
Investments	19,454,701	22,060,687
Beneficial interest in trusts	5,089,498	5,507,846
Building, net of accumulated depreciation	2,602,688	757,896
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 27,382,782	\$ 28,513,229

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 5,755	\$ 9,033
Current portion of deferred revenue	156,722	156,722
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	162,477	165,755
Deferred revenue, net of current portion	1,723,945	1,567,222
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,866,422	1,732,977
NET ASSETS		
Without donor restrictions – operating	1,403,298	1,079,476
Without donor restrictions – board designated	2,540,744	2,634,703
With donor restrictions	21,552,318	23,066,073
TOTAL NET ASSETS	25,496,360	26,780,252
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 27,382,782	\$ 28,513,229

THE CAYUGA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

	2023 TO 2024	2024 to 2025
PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE:		
Interest and dividends	\$ 419,294	\$ 394,409
Realized and unrealized gains on investments, net	2,110,769	1,461,882
Change in beneficial interest in trusts	1,418,736	418,348
Contributions	395,010	362,313
NewCo revenue	156,722	156,722
Loss on Sale of Building	0	(522,633)
Other revenue	19,170	16,760
Total support and revenue	\$ 4,519,701	\$ 2,287,801
EXPENSES		
Program services		
Scholarships and memorial awards	438,234	154,216
Equipment, campus improvements, and other grants	300,000	154,216
Other	115,046	31,498
Total program expense	853,280	670,670
Management and general	172,186	197,683
Fundraising	137,699	135,556
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,163,165	1,003,909
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS	3,356,536	1,283,892
Net assets, beginning of year	22,139,824	25,496,360
Net assets, end of year	\$ 25,496,360	\$ 26,780,252

Introducing the 2025 Alumni Award Winners



We celebrated the extraordinary achievements of the 2025 Alumni Award winners in June. Welcoming family, friends, former professors and colleagues, and recognizing winners **Teresa Ringwood Hoercher '78**, **Kendra Leather Janssen '03** and **Jay Warren '93**, Alumni Board President **Amanda Stankus, Esq., '03** said, "It is truly fascinating to discover the myriad of paths Cayuga graduates have taken in their professional lives and the manner in which those paths evolve."

Pictured L to R: **Teresa Ringwood Hoercher '78**, **Jay Warren '93** and **Kendra Leather Janssen '03** at the Auburn University College/ Cayuga Community College Alumni Awards reception.



Teresa Ringwood Hoercher, Class of 1978, holds a Bachelor of Arts from Nazareth College, a Masters in Library Science from SUNY Geneseo and a Certification in Developmental Education from The Kellogg Institute at Appalachian State University.

Her occupations included working as a Children's Librarian in Geneva and Henrietta, and as the first Director of the Rochester Toy Lending Library – a Junior League of Rochester initiative. But it is her long and happy career at Cayuga Community College that is one of her greatest sources of pride and gratitude.

Ms. Hoercher's 28-year career as the Tutorial Coordinator at Cayuga Community College was an opportunity to build a tutorial program; one which earned the highest levels of certification from the College Reading & Learning Association and served as a model at other colleges. She was active in committee work and as Co-Advisor for Phi Theta Kappa, the Honor Society for

Community Colleges. She is proud of the relationships she made with faculty, staff and, most importantly, tutors and students.

Retirement provided Ms. Hoercher with the time to serve as a contributing writer for The Citizen, celebrating people in the "Legends of Auburn" series. Her passion project and a source of great fun has been THE POSTCARD PROJECT.

She started a "Little Free Postcard Mailbox" located at Hoopes Park. Visitors are encouraged to take a free postcard. Another project is underway with two 5th grade classrooms engaged in a Pen Pal Project. Students from Herman Avenue Elementary School are exchanging postcards with students at the State Street School in Skaneateles.

THE POSTCARD PROJECT was awarded the prestigious New York State Senate 2024 Empire Award "in recognition of outstanding contributions and dedication to the growth, prosperity and betterment of the community and New York State."



Kendra Leather Janssen, Class of 2003, graduated with honors from Cayuga Community College with a degree in Accounting and went on to earn a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business and Accounting from SUNY Oswego.

She is the founder and president of Chester's Barn, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in Cayuga County. Chester's Barn is dedicated to supporting animals in need, educating the public about agriculture, and promoting the profound impact of animal-assisted therapy on mental health. Over the past two years, Ms. Janssen has brought animal therapy to more than 3,000 individuals,

reaching schools, nursing homes, and private residences. Through tireless fundraising, outreach, and advocacy, she has fostered greater community involvement, inspired youth interest in humanities, and advanced a more compassionate, connected business environment.

Since 2005 she has worked full-time at Cornell University, making a lasting impact on student engagement, experiential learning and campus life.

Ms. Janssen is currently collaborating with tertiary institutions in the United Kingdom, Ireland, and

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To nominate an outstanding alum for the 2026 Alumni Awards go to: <https://www.cayuga-cc.edu/giving/alumni/nominate/> or email alumni@cayuga-cc.edu. Nominations will be accepted until Friday, February 27th, 2026.

To read more about the 2025 Alumni Award winners go to: <https://www.cayuga-cc.edu/giving/alumni/honors/alumni-awards/>

Kendra Leather Janssen, continued.

New Zealand to develop a curriculum focused on mental health and well-being for agricultural students. She is helping create educational modules designed to build a resilient next generation of agricultural leaders – equipping them to recognize signs of mental distress and access the resources needed to manage it. She is a certified instructor of the “Talk Saves Lives” and “It’s Real” programs – nationally recognized courses on suicide prevention and mental health. She is bringing these vital conversations to rural

communities throughout New York State. Most recently, she piloted ‘Farmer Friday’ in Cayuga County – a grassroots initiative that offers farmers a space to connect over breakfast and talk openly about the realities of farm life, both the good and the difficult. Ms. Janssen’s dedication to mental health runs deep. She has been featured on Cornell Cooperative Extension podcasts, in news articles, radio and television interviews, sharing her message of breaking stigma, building community, and caring for ourselves and each other.

Jay Warren, a 1993 Cayuga graduate of the Criminal Justice – Police Program, began his career as a Wayne County corrections officer and underwater search and recovery diver for over five years before serving with the Village of Newark Police Department for 23 years. He worked as a patrolman, a Drug Abuse Resistance Educator Instructor and School Resource Officer for three years. He was promoted to the rank of Sergeant, which was quickly followed by Sergeant/Investigator. He earned letters of commendation for multiple arson, burglary, larceny, and child exploitation investigations, unit



citation awards for three years straight, and the Loudoun County Sheriff’s Office Commendation Award in 2020 for the investigation into a child predator case with digital forensics and criminal investigation work.

During his investigations Mr. Warren developed a passion for learning about digital forensics and recognized the significance of them in his investigations. He spent time training at the National Computer Forensic Institute, which provided the prospect of expanding his investigations with the Newark Police Department and created opportunities to train other officers in emerging trends in digital technology.

He honed his skills as a forensic digital investigator for eight years, where he assisted local, County, State and Federal agencies.

He conducted complex forensic examinations for financial fraud, network intrusions, Internet Crimes against Children, and served as a subject matter expert for officers in his department in preparing

search warrants relating to electronic media. He was ranked number one for the Digital Examiner Award at the United States Secret Service National Computer Forensics Institute in 2020, 2021 and 2022.

“...this award isn’t just a celebration of past efforts, it is a spark for new possibilities. I am reminded that no one achieves success alone. We rise together, we lift each other up, and that is what makes this honor so special. Thank you sincerely for this incredible recognition and for the shared journey that brought us here.”

Since his retirement from the Newark Police Department, Mr. Warren has worked with the United States Secret Service as a Network Intrusion Forensic Analyst.

In celebrating the remarkable achievements of the 2025 Alumni Award winners, Jay Warren '93 remarked “...this award isn’t just a celebration of past efforts, it is a spark for new possibilities. I am reminded that no one achieves success alone. We rise together, we lift each other up, and that is what makes this honor so special. Thank you sincerely for this incredible recognition and for the shared journey that brought us here.”



Pictured L to R: Dr. Durant, Tony Franceschelli, Sheryl & Dr. Robert Lubanski Jr., Rylee Catalfano, Christine Cuff, John Lubanski, Matthew Cuff, Kevin LaMontagne, Kia Larsen and Guy Cosentino

DR. ROBERT E. LUBANSKI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The family and friends of Robert E. Lubanski, M.D. have established a nursing scholarship at Cayuga Community College in memory of his remarkable life.

After watching his mother struggle to get healthcare, Dr. Lubanski dedicated his career to the care of women, especially disadvantaged women. He worked in private practice in Auburn for 40 years, and later helped to establish East Hill Family

“Dr. Lubanski was an integral part of the healthcare landscape in Auburn and Cayuga County for decades.”

Medical. While practicing in Auburn as a Fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, he served as Chief of the OB/GYN Department at Auburn Memorial Hospital, President of the Cayuga County Medical Society, as well as the Medical Director of East Hill Family Medical Center.

In his retirement years he continued to volunteer at a clinic for women in Florida and to train nurses to care for their patients. He enjoyed sharing his expertise and knowledge with the nurses he worked alongside in the clinics, the operating room, and especially on the Labor and Delivery floor.

Christine Cuff, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Lubanski, said “My father felt it was important to continue to provide medical care to all members of the Auburn area community. My family hopes that by establishing this scholarship to aspiring nurses, they will continue to care for those within their local community with compassion.”

This year, Rylee Catalfano of Auburn, NY, has been awarded the Dr. Robert E. Lubanski Memorial Scholarship.



A second-year nursing student at Cayuga Community College, she was nominated by the faculty committee to receive this prestigious scholarship.

“Dr. Lubanski was an integral part of the healthcare landscape in Auburn and Cayuga County for decades,” said Guy Thomas Cosentino, Executive Director of the Cayuga County Community College Foundation. “His dedication to the health of women through all phases of their lives serves as a tribute to his own mother’s healthcare journey. We are honored to continue his legacy as we educate new generations of nurses.”

Those wishing to donate to the Dr. Robert E. Lubanski Memorial Scholarship may mail a check to the Cayuga County Community College Foundation, 197 Franklin Street, Auburn, NY 13021 or online at <https://www.cayuga-cc.edu/giving/> and indicating it is for the Dr. Lubanski Scholarship in the tribute section.



EXPERT FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST, AUTHOR OF *'HERE, WHERE DEATH DELIGHTS'* SPEAKS AT CAYUGA

Cayuga Community College welcomed an expert forensic pathologist and author to its Auburn Campus on April 23rd where she shared insights from her first book and her 25-year career in forensics with students, college faculty and staff. She also spoke later that day at an event open to the public.

As part of the College's Visiting Writer Series, Mary Jumbelic, M.D., recounted her trailblazing career supporting victims and serving as the first female Chief Medical Examiner in Central New York. She also discussed how that experience shaped her first book, *Here, Where Death Delights: A Literary Memoir*.

Dr. Jumbelic spoke to more than 85 students in person on the Auburn campus and with students through Zoom on our Fulton Campus. She then joined more than two dozen students for lunch in our Student Center to answer questions on her writing and on past cases that she has worked on.

"Dr. Jumbelic's writing connects exceptional storytelling with an obvious expertise in forensic pathology, and the result is a memoir that connects you to a scientific world without sacrificing the human element of her work," said Cayuga Writing Professor Mark Montgomery, who leads the Visiting Writer Series. "As Dr. Jumbelic has said, 'I speak for the dead. The dead speak for me.' I can't think of a better way to describe her expertise and her memoir."

Published in 2023, *Here, Where Death Delights: A Literary Memoir* recounts Dr. Jumbelic's career in forensics, her fascination with death and the science behind it. The memoir won first place from The BookFest, a Gold Award from the Colorado Independent Book Publishers, and Silver Awards from the Nonfiction Authors Association and Reader's Favorite.

"I am energized by combining my love of forensics with writing. It was an honor to share that with the students and professors of Cayuga Community College," said Dr. Jumbelic.



Dr. Jumbelic recently published *Speak Her Name*. The book provides insight and examination of high-profile Central New York investigations, including the deaths of Jill Lyn Euto, Carol Ryan and Leslie Neulander, whose death was featured on a "Dateline NBC" episode.

"Dr. Mary Jumbelic's visit to Cayuga engaged our students across many majors," said Professor Richard Bower. "Her stories capture real-world investigations through personal, empathic insight. Students were inspired by her writing process: systematic journaling and creative nonfiction, and they got an exclusive preview of her new book, *Speak Her Name*. The chance to ask questions and share lunch made the visit especially memorable."

During her 25 years as a forensic pathologist, including serving as the Chief Medical

Examiner in Onondaga County, Dr. Jumbelic performed thousands of autopsies and led efforts to improve child safety and the prevention of injuries. She also assisted in responses to national and international disasters, including 9/11.

Her work drew statewide and national acclaim, including awards from the New York State Senate and the National Organization of Women as a Trailblazer in Forensic Medicine.

Her career in forensics has shaped her storytelling, with her writing drawing approbation over the past decade. She was nominated for a Pushcart Prize and was a finalist in the Tucson Literary Festival, and has seen her work published in more than 30 publications.

A popular feature at the College for almost four decades, Cayuga's Visiting Writer Series connects students and faculty with active authors and poets who share their insights on the writing and publishing worlds. The series was founded by poet and Professor Emeritus Howard Nelson, and is sponsored by the Noreen and Michael J. Falcone Lecture Series and the Cayuga County Community College Foundation.

"We can't thank Dr. Jumbelic enough for her time – her interactions with the students at her lecture and during their lunch together were fantastic to observe," said Guy Thomas Cosentino, the Executive Director of the Cayuga County Community College Foundation.

For more information on Dr. Jumbelic, visit <https://maryjumbelic.com/>. For information about Cayuga Community College, visit www.cayuga-cc.edu.



Leaders from Cayuga Community College, Oswego County, the Oswego County Sheriff's Office, the cities of Fulton and Oswego, and local and state police agencies officially opened the new Oswego County Regional Police Academy in May. The facility is located on the College's Fulton Campus.

CAYUGA COMMUNITY COLLEGE, OSWEGO COUNTY OPEN NEW REGIONAL POLICE ACADEMY

Elected and police officials joined Cayuga Community College leaders to celebrate the new Oswego County Regional Police Academy in May, saying the facility will have an immediate impact in meeting the needs of law enforcement and regional communities.

Local lawmakers and representatives from federal and state officials joined Cayuga President Dr. Brian Durant to officially open the academy, which is located on the College's Fulton Campus. Under construction for approximately one year, the academy is already in operation, with a class of cadets currently completing training.

Along with supporting local law enforcement agencies, the academy will create greater opportunities for students in Cayuga's Criminal Justice A.S. program, one of the College's most successful programs.

"The Oswego County Regional Police Academy fills a critical need in our region, allowing future police officers to prepare for a career in law enforcement at a state-of-the-art facility," said Oswego County Legislature Chairman James Weatherup. "Through rigorous training and instruction, academy students learn the skills necessary to best respond to challenges and help keep our communities safe. We're pleased to see this project come to fruition and look forward to seeing generations of law enforcement officers complete the academy."

"We are thankful for this collaboration with Cayuga Community College and we look forward to the opportunities this brings for our community," said Oswego County Sheriff Don Hilton. The Oswego County Legislature was one of the foremost supporters of the academy, awarding the College \$400,000 in funds from the American Rescue Plan Act for the construction. The academy construction was capped by a \$100,000 gift from the Cayuga County Community College Foundation.

The academy, which also received significant support from the Oswego County Sheriff's Office, represents a substantial investment in providing the future law enforcement workforce with an exceptional training facility.

The academy features space for lecture instruction, physical training, and a virtual simulator to provide trainees with opportunities to experience different scenarios they may see as members of law enforcement. The academy is staffed by members of the Oswego County Sheriff's Office, the Fulton and Oswego City Police Departments, and instructors from police agencies in surrounding counties.

Having the academy on-campus will allow Cayuga students to simultaneously earn their degree and complete Phase I of the academy while connecting with local law enforcement. Through these conversations and trainings, students will identify potential career paths and the steps necessary to reach those professions.



At the same time, connecting the academy with students will support local law enforcement agencies with a regularly graduating pool of qualified candidates.

Cayuga has offered one of the top associate's degree programs in Criminal Justice in New York State for more than 50 years. The College previously offered separate programs dedicated to Corrections or Police, but in the past two years unveiled a new A.S. program that provides students with a transfer-oriented curriculum.

For more details on the College's Criminal Justice A.S. program, visit <https://www.cayuga-cc.edu/academics/schools/social-sciences-and-education/criminal-justice/>.



CAYUGA GRAD JOHN WALSH SPEAKS AT DEDICATION

John Walsh '65, the original host and creator of "America's Most Wanted" and a 2016 ACC/CCC Alumni of the Year award winner, congratulated the College on the building of our new Oswego County Regional Law Enforcement Academy on the Fulton Campus.

In a video played at the May 7th dedication he told those assembled:

"It's a fantastic moment to see Cayuga, Oswego County and the Oswego County Sheriff's Office come together to reinforce the future of law enforcement in Central New York.

There's a growing demand today not only for careers in law enforcement, but also for a law enforcement workforce equipped with forward-thinking training to deal with the challenges in today's world.

That's what the Oswego County Regional Police Academy will offer the agencies who serve and protect in Central New York. And there's no better location for this academy than the Fulton Campus of Cayuga Community College.

As a proud Cayuga alum, I know the College has one of the top Criminal Justice programs in Central New York.

For years this program has provided aspiring members of law enforcement with top-tier training and instruction, strengthening the skills they need to serve our communities.

Between the Criminal Justice program and faculty of Cayuga, and the superb training and instruction at the Oswego County Regional Police Academy, the future of law enforcement is bright in Central New York."





Amy Mahoney
Alfieri McColgin Nursing
Excellence Scholar and
Joan Post Worden Memorial Scholar,
member of Phi Theta Kappa
Class of 2025

Thank you for selecting me as the recipient of the Joan Post Worden Memorial Scholarship this year. This was a very rigorous program and I am honored to be recognized with this scholarship. Thank you for providing a nurturing and supportive environment, while maintaining high standards. As I prepare to begin my career in the cardiothoracic unit ICU step-down unit, I feel confident and well prepared to apply the knowledge and skills I gained through CCC's Nursing Program.



Bryan Leader
Wilfred "Sonny" Taylor
Memorial Award
Class of 2025

I am writing to express my deepest gratitude for being selected as the recipient of the Wilfred "Sonny" Taylor Memorial Award. I am incredibly honored and humbled to receive this prestigious award, and am sincerely appreciate of the recognition. The significance of the award, which acknowledges the therapeutic use of humor as an interpersonal skill within the practice of nursing, resonates deeply with me. I am committed to integrating humor as an effective nursing intervention to convey kindness and caring, concern for others, and I am truly grateful that my efforts in this area have been acknowledged and celebrated.

ACC/CCC Alumni Association Scholarships

Louis & Madeleine Alfieri Memorial Nursing Award
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 Elizabeth Payne McQueeney Memorial Scholarships

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 Richard J. Mahlstedt Sr. Memorial Award
 Rocco Malvaso Memorial Scholarship
 Ethyl W. Mapes Nursing Awards

Mathematics Excellence Award
 Elizabeth B. Metcalf Memorial Awards

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 Mirabito "Blue Collar Scholar"
 Germain Morin Memorial Nursing Scholarship
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 Memorial Award

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Sheyla Ortega
 St. Alphonsus School
 Alumni Scholarship
 and the Shadrack
 Moinket Kitamwes
 Memorial
 Scholarship
 Class of 2026

I am writing to express my sincere gratitude for the generous St. Alphonsus School Alumni Scholarship and the Shadrack Moinket Kitamwes Memorial Scholarship at Cayuga Community College.

I am absolutely thrilled and honored to have been selected for these awards. They will be instrumental in allowing me to focus on my studies and pursue my academic goals at CCC.

Thank you again for your generosity and support. I am truly grateful for this opportunity and look forward to making the most of it.



Reilley Patterson
 Presidential Scholar
 and Patricia K. Rizzo
 Memorial Scholar
 Class of 2026

The scholarships at Cayuga have been very helpful in my schooling. They have made it more accessible for me to continue my schooling. It has helped to push me to do the best I can to keep improving. The scholarships I have received have been so impactful in making my college experience so amazing.

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Planned giving helps ensure the future and growth of Cayuga Community College by securing a base of permanent support for College initiatives. Talk to your financial advisor, or contact the Foundation Office at (315) 294-8587 or www.cayuga-cc.edu/foundation, to start the conversation.

CAYUGA PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS

The Cayuga Presidential Scholarship recognizes and rewards outstanding students from high schools in Cayuga and Oswego counties, as well as the Jordan-Elbridge, Skaneateles and Red Creek school districts. Students who graduated in the top 20% of their high school, attend Cayuga as full-time students and maintain a 3.0 GPA are eligible for full tuition scholarships for up to four consecutive semesters at Cayuga. The Cayuga Presidential Scholars raise the academic bar in every classroom and we are exceptionally proud of their academic achievements.

2024 - 2025

Brandon J. Babcock	Logan Mathews
Kayla Bunce	Solomiia Melnyk
Sabrina Carvey	Reilley Patterson
Kirsten Casterline	Lexi Pettit
Rylee Catalano	Jack Phillips
Kaitlyn Catalone	Harley Potter
Sophia Church	Alex Reuter
Gabriela Farnham	Niko Rosenbaum
Katelyn Hartman	Alyssa Sawyer
Jonathan Herrick	Kaiden Sharpsteen
Beverly Hotchkiss	Abrielle Soluri
Cody Jarabek	Shayla Sykes
Morgan Jones	Reese Watts
Jacob King	Sierra Wells
Anna Kostreva	Ahndria Wilson
Alyssa Larrabee	Victoria Wood
Nattallie Lent	

D.E. FRENCH AND STANLEY W. METCALF FOUNDATIONS

Cayuga County Community College Nursing graduates provide an outstanding level of care throughout Cayuga County and the Central New York region. They pursue employment opportunities in hospitals, ambulatory care, skilled nursing facilities, schools and community agencies.

It is with utmost gratitude we thank the D.E. French and Stanley W. Metcalf Foundations for their generosity in supporting the Cayuga Nursing program. The Foundations' investments in the Nursing program helps students reach their career goals while encouraging students to enroll in a top tier program locally.

The following students earned Nursing grants from the D.E. French and Stanley W. Metcalf Foundations during the 2024 - 2025 academic year:

Juliana Bochenek	Autumn Layton
Savannah Brier	Bryan Leader
Kali Casper	Alexis Martinez
Makayla Church	Emma Mioni
Jordan Cook	Ashley Pizarz
Cameron Daddabbo	Victoria Russell
Grace Ford	Jenna Squires
Liana Gibbs	Tobias Stahl
Katelyn Hartman	Catherine Vernak
Jessica Jasniewski	Julie Yawney

THE FRED L. EMERSON FOUNDATION ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

The Fred L. Emerson Foundation Academic Scholarships have celebrated student excellence within the Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES school districts since 2017.

Fred L. Emerson Foundation Academic Scholarships were earned by the following students during the 2024 - 2025 academic year:

Lexi Alberici, Patrick Kennedy, Trinity McFadden, Andrew Seward, Vitalina Vasylyk and Catherine Vernak

SCHOLARSHIPS

(Non-Endowed Named Scholarships)

A minimum gift of \$2,500 establishes a named non-endowed scholarship. You may also choose to continue the scholarship with annual donations. Gifts can also be made to the Foundation's General Scholarship Fund.

ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS

You can create a named endowed scholarship fund for Cayuga Community College students. An endowed scholarship requires a minimum gift of \$25,000, made as a one-time cash gift, stock transfer, or donations given over an established amount of time. Please contact the Foundation office at 315.294.8587 or email foundation@cayuga-cc.edu for more information.

EARLY COLLEGE PATHWAYS SCHOLARSHIP

The Early College Pathways Scholarship recognizes high school students who have committed themselves to earning credits through Cayuga’s concurrent enrollment offerings while completing their Regents diploma.

Students who earned 3-11 credits in high school can receive an annual award of up to \$500, and students who earned 12 or more credits are eligible for an annual award

of up to \$1,000. The scholarship is applied annually for up to two years.

The new scholarship dovetails with the Early College Pathways Program announced this summer by Cayuga. The Pathways Program creates clearly defined routes for high school students to earn college credits toward a specific degree program at Cayuga.

EARLY COLLEGE PATHWAYS SCHOLARS FOR THE 2024 – 2025 ACADEMIC YEAR INCLUDE:

Ian Avery
Luke Barry
Hailey Branham
Carielys Calderon
Robert Carbray
Audrey Carr
Kristen Casterline
Kaitlyn Catalone
Drew Ceratt
Kailey Church
Ashlyn Cleary
Camden Connors
Nick F. Cornelius
Cayleigh A. Currier
Teyah N. Cuturia
Jayden Deangelis

Haylee M. Decare
Ryan J. Dennison
Tyler M. Durham
Aiden C. Fennessy
Chase Fitzgerald
Gabrielle E. Fuller
Ava G. Henderson
Jonathon P. Herrick
Logan H. Higgs
Nick Homick
Beverly L. Hotchkiss
Brandon S. Howard
Kelsey A. Howard
Cody Jarabek
Morgan E. Jones

Matthew J. Loyster
Aaron P. Lupo
Kade E. Manna
Solomiia Melnyk
Jacob W. Miles
Celia A. Mioni
Christopher A. Morris
Shareese Z. Nelson
Ella F. Noble
Emily A. Palencar
Harley M. Potter
Xavier C. Quesada
Tristan A. Raufer
Brandyn Rodriguez
Hayleigh E. Ryan

Kasandra Santiago
Amber N. Schumacher
Kaiden M. Sharpsteen
Olivia M. Shaw
Kobe D. St Onge
Abigail R. Stokes
Conner P. Taylor
Natalie A. VanDeBogart
Vitalina Vasylyk
Corbin D. Walters
Caiden I. Whitcomb
Jay J. Williams
Mara Williamson
Ahndria B. Wilson
Victoria Wood

CAYUGA’S HARLEQUIN PRODUCTIONS EARNS CAST AWARD AT TANYS FESTIVAL

Strong performances from students in Cayuga Community College’s Harlequin Productions helped the cast earn an outstanding ensemble award at the Theatre Association of New York State’s (TANYS) annual festival.

The cast’s comedic performance of “Jest Desserts” at the festival, held in November near Watertown, received a Festival Adjudicator Discretionary Award for Outstanding Ensemble. The production was one of only eight from around New York selected to perform at the festival.

“Jest Desserts,” written by Rich Orloff, consists of a series of skits and performances similar to late-night TV sketch comedy. The rapid approach to the skits demanded cast members pivot between different roles and costumes, often

with just one or two minutes to spare. The show ends in a pie fight among cast members.



Harlequin Productions Director Bob Frame earned a Meritorious Achievement in Direction award, Chris Yeckel earned an Excellence in Sound Design, and the cast earned a Meritorious Achievement in Ensemble Acting award at the Festival. The College Foundation and the Faculty Student Association funded the students’ TANYS participation.

The student cast members were Louis Araujo, Connor Barrigar, Cameron Bouchard, Amy Card, Hope Campbell, Thomas Higgins, Riley Kimball, Kronous Panek, Alex Reuter, Kyla Rossbach, and Jane Sullivan.

37th ANNUAL PRESIDENTS' CIRCLE DINNER HELD AT EMERSON PAVILION



Celebrating Cayuga students and College donors/supporters at the Presidents' Circle Dinner in July, pictured left to right top row: Guy Cosentino, Executive Director CCCC Foundation, Kevin LaMontagne, Foundation Board President, Kia Larsen, Director of Alumni Engagement, Dr. Brian Durant, College President. Bottom row students **Abigail McKalsen '25**, Catherine Vernak, William Terry, Rylee Catalfano, Ashton Traugott-Knoll and Sheyla Ortega

The College Foundation holds its annual Presidents' Circle Dinner to thank supporters of the Foundation that include those who donate at the President' Circle Level (\$1,000 or above), as well as our local philanthropic community who have long supported the work of the College, its students and faculty. Our 37th Annual Dinner was held at the Emerson Park Pavilion in July. The Foundation also invited and recognized several students, who have benefited from the support of donors, who also attended the event, with scholarships and Commencement Awards.

The students were presented a gift from the Foundation by Board President Kevin LaMontagne.

Dr. Cathleen '86 and Bob McColgin, Linda Alfieri and Dr. Linda Van Buskirk.



PRESIDENTS' CIRCLE DINNER



STUDENT ART FEATURED AT DINNER

The Foundation, with the assistance of members of our art faculty, chose a piece of student art to be featured on our annual Presidents' Circle invitation and program. The work of **Abigail McKalsen '25**, (pictured with her art), a Summa Cum Laude graduate with a degree in Studio Art and Design, was chosen. Ms. McKalsen was the President of Cayuga's Fulton

Art Club and an English tutor. She has transferred to SUNY Oswego this Fall and is aiming to achieve a Bachelor of Fine Arts with a concentration in painting. The featured work, "Retreat Within" was created in Prof. Rebecca Spink's Painting II course this past Spring. The media is oil pastel on paper.



Dawn and Lew Allyn



Melissa and Jackie O'Hara Komanecky '58



Joe '66 and Gail '68 Sullivan

DR. DENNIS GOLLADAY NAMED HONORARY DIRECTOR OF THE FOUNDATION BOARD

Dr. Dennis Golladay, who served as Cayuga Community College's 5th President and was a long time member of the College's Foundation Board, including a term as Vice President, was unanimously elected an Honorary Director of the Foundation Board this past July.

When making the announcement, at the Foundation's 37th Annual Presidents' Circle Dinner, Board President Kevin LaMontagne said "It has been a pleasure to work with Dennis during my tenure on the Board. I suspect it has been his time as Chair of the Long-Range Planning Committee that he has enjoyed the most; championing students, developing programs to assist emerging needs, and continuing to foster a gratitude for and dedication to educating the whole student. We have learned a tremendous amount from Dr. Golladay and deeply appreciate his dedication to Cayuga."

Recognizing the profound impact Dr. Golladay has had on Cayuga, both as



College President and as a member of the Foundation Board of Directors, the Foundation Board voted to appoint Dr. Golladay as only their sixth Honorary Director. Mr. LaMontagne said "I have

never seen so many people want to make or second a motion in all our meetings!" In this capacity, Dr. Golladay's thoughtful voice will continue to be a part of Cayuga's success, and we will continue to learn from his keen insights, grace and intellect. Founding Foundation Board Member Peter Emerson and Dan Labeille, the Foundation's first Executive Director are Honorary Directors, and are invited to attend all Board Meetings and Foundation events. The late William G. Allyn, Dr. Joseph Karpinski and Vincent M. Kline have been the only others given this distinction.

Dr. Golladay has had a career, indeed a life dedicated to public higher education and we could not find a better way to recognize his profound achievements, than asking him to continue to share his time and talent to the College he so ably led.

THE CRAFT FAIR IS A FANTASTIC COMMUNITY EVENT

Several years ago, the College Foundation was asked by Cayuga's President, Brian M. Durant, to operate the College's Annual Craft Fair held each December on the Auburn Campus.



The 49th Annual Craft Fair, held the weekend of December 7th and 8th, was a success with 138 vendors in over 180 booths, as well as nearly a dozen not for profits providing information, visibility and/or raising funds. They ranged from the Auburn ZONTA Club and local chapter of the National Association on Mental Illness - NAMI, who each fund scholarships, through the Foundation to Guiding Eyes for the Blind and Owasco's Scout Troop 21 selling dozens of boxes of

Krispy Kreme donuts. Cayuga's nursing students were on site to take blood pressure and other vital signs for visitors.

Among the entertainment highlights were a performance from Perform 4 Purpose, with the local students playing a number of songs, our TeleCom students, under the leadership of Cayuga's Radio Advisor **Jeff Szczesniak '01**, playing holiday music and a booth with our youngest visitors making crafts for the holidays with **Emily Sbelgio '22**.

Kia Larsen, our Director of Alumni Engagement & Deputy Director of the Foundation does a great job putting the event together with the help of several



College Departments, including the College's magnificent maintenance team. We have had a great group of College students annually help our vendors set up and take down their booths. This year we had an infusion of two dozen student athletes thanks to Cayuga' Athletic Director John Rizzo, Soccer **Coach Chris Davison '16** and Coach Tom Namisniak.

Most important were our visitors who attended to the two day event. The economic impact of this event is significant for our talented vendors and brings shoppers from all over Central New York to Auburn. The Foundation is proud to be part of a 49 year old community tradition.

MEDIA STUDENTS VISIT NEW YORK CITY IN APRIL

Professor Laura Bailey, Director of Cayuga's Media & Telecommunications Program, and Cayuga's radio advisor and Instructional Assistant **Jeff Szczesniak '01** led a group of more than 20 media students to New York City in April, funded by the College Foundation.

The students were either in their first or second year at Cayuga and are part of the School of Media and The Arts (SOMA) degree programs, including Media Production and Audio Production. The day trip included lunch at the Moynihan Center. The students were invited to visit B & H Photo Video in Manhattan, one of the largest electronic retailers in the United States. They were able to see the latest audio and video equipment, and B & H provided gift bags to all participants.



The students also visited The Paley Center for Media, formerly known as the Museum of Television and Radio and the Museum of Broadcasting, founded by the former head of CBS, William

Paley, 50 years ago. They were able to tour the exhibits and see their extensive broadcasting archives.

After the group tours, the students enjoyed some free time exploring the city. For some of our students, this may have been their first trip to New York City. The Foundation has funded several of these trips in the past and is looking to expand into other SOMA disciplines this spring, including the Art, Culinary, Media, Music, and Writing programs.

BREAKING BREAD TOGETHER – FOOD TRUCKS’ EVENTS A HIT

When our campuses started to return after the COVID shutdown, the College Foundation wanted a way to welcome back our students, faculty and staff to our campuses. We brought in several food trucks to celebrate the return to in person classes in the Fall of 2022. The enthusiasm for the events led to the Foundation to continue to celebrate the completion of a successful semester in May 2023.

Since then, the Foundation has found both the September and May events as a way for students, staff and

faculty to gather and get to know each other better as they enjoy lunch together. Last year, the Foundation was able to partner with the College’s clubs and student organizations on the Fulton Campus to combine our event with their Block Party. Students enjoyed dying T-shirts, meeting with local not for profits providing helpful information, challenging themselves with the local Army National Guard unit providing a Rock Wall to climb and listening to American Idol contestant Rocky Peter, an acoustic performer.



“As we look into the future, we do so in a world that is constantly evolving. The opportunities ahead of us are endless, but they require courage and adaptability. We may not have all the answers right now, and that’s okay. Keep working — everything we have today was earned through hard work and dedication. We persevered, we overcame obstacles, we endured different stages in our lives. What matters is that we keep learning, keep growing, and keep striving for excellence. Let’s embrace challenges as stepping-stones and remember that failure is not the end, but a lesson that brings us closer to success.”

– Jorge Manuel Jimenez '25
magna cum laude
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