



# THE Spartan

The Official Newsletter of the Auburn/Cayuga Community College Alumni Association



Fall/Winter 2012



August 2011 — The future Fulton Campus.



December 2011 — The College held an event called "Building for Growth: Fulton Campus Transformation." It marked the construction kick-off at the River Glen Plaza. Local and college dignitaries and guests were given an opportunity to sign a structural beam within the new 82,000 square foot facility.



December 2011 — Staff members of CCC's Center for Academic Success (CAS) Rae Howard '06, Michelle McGrath '03, Jennifer Liddy, Sarah Yaw, Misty DiGaetano '01, Carolyn Stevenson, Donna Roger '88, and Nicole Adsit at the construction kick-off.

Let's be honest . . . how many of you really thought we would be ready to move into a new campus for the fall 2012 semester? We had been given all the facts and figures. But, could we actually be moving in less than a year?

In our Fall/Winter 2011 edition of *The Spartan*, we hinted that "Growth and Change are on the Horizon." CCC President Larson reported that the [Fulton Campus] project is moving forward, with negotiations underway to acquire a new site [for a new campus]. We promised that "in the next few issues of *The Spartan*, we will offer you a front row seat so you can watch as the campuses continue to develop."

In our last issue, Spring/Summer 2012, we brought you the "Blueprint for Cayuga's New Home." We promised that "In the fall 2012 semester, Cayuga Community College will come home to a place it's never been before. That place is the River Glen Plaza in Fulton, the site of the College's new Fulton Campus."

Much has happened during the past year, bringing us closer to our ultimate goal. So now is the time for us to make good on our promises to you, our alumni. With the combined camera efforts of Maggie Killoran, Sue Witmer and Louise Wilson, we will let the pictures tell the story.



February 2012 — Learning Commons gets framed.



February 2012 — Second floor construction underway.



March 2012 — Looking up at the Student Development Suite.



April 2012 — Learning Commons progresses.



May 2012 — Looking down on the Learning Commons.



July 2012 — Desks and computers line the Learning Commons.



July 2012 — Furniture is staged for placement.



July 2012 — Science Lab nears completion.



July 2012 — View from the Student Development Office.



See page 2 for what's coming to the Auburn Campus courtesy of a local legend, Dr. Joe.

# Alumni Director's Report



## Alumni Dude Takes a Road Trip

The Alumni Office has two staff members—Mary Kriever and yours truly—technically. But, over the past couple of years, we have adopted what you might call a “mascot” that we would like to introduce you to. We were looking for an attractive way to merchandise our alumni soft goods items and found just what we needed from our friends at RPM Displays in Auburn. It is a mannequin—well, really just a male torso—that we dressed in a “Cap and Tee Combo.” We take it to some of our events to display our products. Mary called it “Alumni Dude” and the name stuck.



**Louise Wilson**

*Editor's Note: As a point of reference, since there are three Marys involved with “The Spartan,” we started calling each other by our initials: Mary K=MK, Mary Wejko=MW, Mary G. Merritt=MGM, and not to be left out, I'm LW.*

When it was time to begin editing this newsletter, MK and I wanted to see first-hand what the latest developments were on the Fulton campuses, both the current one on West Broadway (WB) and the new one at River Glen (RG). We decided to take Alumni Dude (AD) along.



We got in the car and drove north for our tour of the construction site.

We were given hard hats and safety glasses in the field office and AD led the way to the new facility. Since AD wasn't able to wear the safety goggles, he wasn't allowed into the building so he observed the construction from outside.



Maggie Killoran, Dean of the Fulton Campus, gave us a personal tour of the entire facility. It will be so nice for our students, staff and faculty, and it's truly amazing how quickly the project progressed. We are looking forward to giving you all an opportunity to tour the new addition to our legacy as alumni.



After the tour, we went to the WB campus to see if there was anything we could do to help with the move.



Staff member Lorelee Lardear saw us walk by and cried out, “Hey, a torso just went by!” We stopped to introduce AD to her and Jan Baum '08 and then all had a photo-op with LW.

The Dude checked out the campus with MK, helped stack desk chairs, caught up on some email, and spent some time working the desk at the Library. He would have been happy to lend a hand moving some boxes—if he had a hand. AD made a new friend and said goodbye to outgoing board member, Judy Campanella '78.



We are happy to report that RG is set to open on schedule, just in time for the fall semester. We hope you enjoyed traveling along with AD on his road trip.

\*Cap and Tee Combos are an ACC/CCC Alumni Association tee shirt paired with a ball cap. There are a few assorted sizes still available for \$15. Contact us if you would like to purchase one like AD's.



## Shared Vision: Cayuga CC and Auburn Enlarged City School District

Currently, the College does not have any on-campus playing fields to host its practices and home games, and student-athletes often need to travel off-campus to find an open field to practice or play on. Thanks to a half-million dollar naming gift from Dr. Joseph F. Karpinski Sr., Cayuga Community College announced its plans to build a new turf athletic complex.

At a news conference held June 11, CCC President Daniel Larson and Auburn Superintendent J.D. Pabis announced a new partnership and capital project at the College: It will be called the *Dr. Joseph F. & Honey Karpinski Athletic Stadium Complex*. The stadium is expected to be built partially on land that will be gifted to the College by the Auburn Enlarged City School District. The district's land gift will enable the land-locked College to limit the impact and help preserve the popular 25 acres

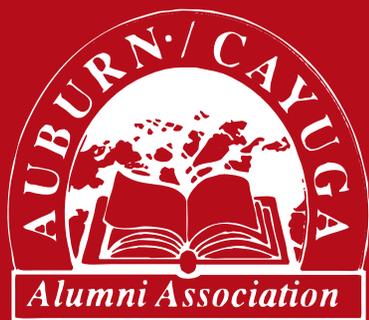
of nature trails behind the Auburn Campus.

The complex will feature 150,000 square feet of artificial turf space, including a softball field, a baseball field, and a multi-use field that can be used to host College soccer and lacrosse games. The plans for a 1,500-seat stadium also designate 5,000 square feet for locker rooms, dugouts for the softball and baseball fields, public restrooms, and a concession stand. The College Athletics Department has estimated that staff members will be able to recruit new student-athletes to field teams for NJCAA competition in both softball and baseball. The new fields will allow multiple teams to practice at the same time.

As we promised with our announcements regarding the new Fulton campus, your alumni staff will keep you up to date on this exciting and evolving project.



An artist's rendering of the baseball field planned for the complex.



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## Dear Cayuga Community College Alumni and Friends,



**Tony Gucciardi**  
ACC/CCC  
Alumni  
Association  
President

In life's journey, there are many turning points or life-changing moments. Among them are marriage, selecting a career, living in a particular area, and choosing a college for higher education. In my personal journey, those key turning points have helped make me the person I am today. Of those key decisions, my choosing to attend Auburn Community College may have done

more to influence my future than any other factor. I have stressed in other writings that my generation was the first in our families to attend college. College would not have been an option for us were it not for Auburn Community College. A college education allowed us to break away from the menial labor-type jobs our parents and grandparents had held. Many of us went on to have very successful professional careers thanks to the start we received at ACC.

Times have changed but not the opportunity for young people who otherwise would have a difficult time affording college. Cayuga Community College continues the legacy of opportunity, and I know I speak for my former classmates in expressing

our thanks for that opportunity. I am also asking those of you who have not participated in your alumni association to do so by making a donation to the Annual Fund, or by becoming involved in the Association's many activities. There is much to be proud of as our college continues to enhance the communities it serves. To all those who have made, and continue to make, our alma mater what it is today, thank you.

I have enjoyed my tenure as President of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association and would like to give a special thanks to my fellow Board members--and to Louise Wilson and Mary Kriever in the Alumni Office--for all of their help and support.

Tony Gucciardi '61

## Meet 2012 Alumni Award Recipients

This year, the ACC/CCC Alumni Association welcomed two new recipients of our annual Alumni Award. They were honored at a brunch held at the Oak & Vine at the Springside Inn, followed by recognition at the College's Commencement ceremony on May 20.

**Gail Homick Herrling '62** has continued to encourage others to achieve their goals and dreams. Through vast community involvement, Gail has served the public in personal, professional and volunteer leadership roles. She is a member of several boards, including Seward House Museum, Auburn Community Hospital Foundation, Schweinfurth Memorial Art Center, and Girl Scouts NYPenn Pathways. Herrling sits on the Fund Development Advisory Committee for the Finger Lakes Musical Theatre Festival. Gail served nine years on the Board of Trustees for Auburn Memorial Hospital. She is currently a Board of Regents appointed public member of the NYS Office of Professional Medical Conduct, a position she has held for nine years. Prior to this appointment she served for ten years as a public member of the NYS Board of Podiatry. Gail received the 2010 Women of Distinction award from the Girl Scouts of NYPenn Pathways.

Herrling has been involved with the United Way of Cayuga County for nearly 30 years, serving in various capacities, including Board of Directors President and Chair of the Public Relations Committee. Hired

as the Director of Marketing and Resource Development for United Way in 2002, Gail was appointed Executive Director in 2006 and retired in 2010.

Gail earned a B.S. degree at SUNY Oswego and was an elementary level teacher in Cayuga County schools for a total of 17 years. She married Leo P. Herrling in August 2009 and has two children, Kimberly and Jeffrey, with her late husband, Francis J. "Fritz" Homick.

**William J. Fassinger, Ph.D. '75** served in the U.S. Army from 1974 until 1995 and received more than 25 awards, honors and certificates during that time. These tributes included two Meritorious Service Medals, five Army Commendation Medals and three foreign awards. His non-military honors were comprised of many teaching awards, such as the "Who's Who Among America's Teachers"; a Golden Apple Award; and a Northstar Award, the top student-given award at SUNY Canton. In addition, Fassinger's works have appeared in many professional publications, and he has made presentations on law enforcement topics at research symposia.

As Associate Professor of Criminal Investigation at SUNY Canton, Fassinger serves as advisor for the Criminal Justice Student Association, the Delta Kappa Sigma Fraternity, the Newman Club and the SUNY Canton Veterans Association. He also serves as the President of the Board of Directors for



**Gail Homick Herrling '62 and William J. Fassinger, Ph.D. '75**

the Raquette Valley Habitat for Humanity and assists his wife JoAnne with the SUNY Canton campus-based Habitat for Humanity Club.

Fassinger earned his Ph.D. in Criminal Justice in 2011 at Walden University, an M.S. Ed/CAS (School Administration) at St. Lawrence University, an M.S. Ed. (Vocational Education) at SUNY Oswego, and a B.S. in Police Science at Wayland Baptist University. He received additional education while in the military and holds several certifications from New York State.

## Thank You

Two members of the Board of Directors of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association have completed their terms. Outgoing President **Anthony "Tony" Gucciardi '61** and board member **Judith "Judy" Campanella '78** have given a combined 16 years of volunteer service to the Alumni Board and to the college community.



**Anthony "Tony" Gucciardi '61**

Tony, a member of the Board since 2005, has served as Vice President for three years and as President for the past three years. He will continue to serve in the capacity of Immediate Past President. A retired educator whose 33-year career encompassed both teaching and administration, Tony always acknowledged his pleasure in giving something back to the school that gave him the opportunity for higher education. He regularly stressed that "opportunity" theme in his newsletter communications. Since his days as Freshman Class President, Tony has been--and continues to be--one of the College's most ardent supporters.



**Judith "Judy" Campanella '78**

Judy has completed a nine-year term on the Board. Since 2003, she has chaired, planned, coordinated and worked at almost every alumni event. She could be seen frying pizza fritte at CCC's annual Holiday Craft Fair, assisting the public at the Antique Appraisal Day, or congratulating graduates at the December Recognition and May Commencement. Judy shared that she, too, was happy to give back to the place where her own academic pursuits began. A college employee since 1979 and Head Librarian at the Fulton Campus since 2001, Judy is part of a distinguished, talented group of alumni who have returned as employees. Although we bid her a fond farewell, no doubt we will see her at future alumni events.

The Board extends its gratitude for their time, leadership and assistance which contributed greatly to the Association's successful events and activities these past years.

Special thanks to Margaret Spillett, CCC's Director of Public Relations and Institutional Communications, for graciously supplying us with press releases and file photos whenever we call for help.

I know this is redundantly redundant (you can't cut that out, MW!), but editing this newsletter would be incredibly difficult without my Mary's: MK, MW and MGM. This is the ninth edition we have collaborated on and we get more finely honed each time. Except for the eleventh hour deadline crunch, we all get much satisfaction from coming up with the concepts, writing the articles and taking the photos. Then we have to thank MGM for putting it all together to our specifications (not really sure how she manages to do that!). As always, we hope you enjoy it.

—Louise



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## Alumni Association Awards 7 Scholarships

The ACC/CCC Alumni Association has awarded seven scholarships to new, continuing, transferring, and nontraditional Cayuga students. Recipients are:

- Incoming freshman: James Spinelli and Anthony Murray, both from Auburn High School.
- Returning sophomore: Emily Sherman
- Transferring graduates: Stephanie Davis, transferring to SUNY Geneseo,

Jennifer Marshall, transferring to Siena College, and Marin Valentino, who will be attending Albany College of Pharmacy.

- Nontraditional student: Sara Kneaskern, Auburn, who has been accepted into the RN Nursing Program.

Candidates are judged on application essays and scholastic merit; freshman awards are reserved for children or grandchildren of Cayuga alumni.



Alumni Board Vice President, Ted Herrling '72 thanks outgoing board member Judy Campanella '78 for her years of service.



## You've Got Mail

Alumni Board member Lori Cochran came through for the Association once again. Drawing on her artistic side, the Association's Secretary, with the help of her husband Sean, created an artful display on the mailbox donation for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library auction "You've Got Mail."

## Annual Alumni Meeting Notice

The Annual Meeting of the Auburn/Cayuga Community College Alumni Association will be held Tuesday, September 11, 2012, at 7 p.m. in the Faculty Dining Room of Cayuga Community College, 197 Franklin Street, Auburn, NY 13021.

As an active member of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association, you have voting privileges at this meeting. If you are unable to attend and would like to send in a proxy vote, please contact the Alumni Office at (315) 255-1792, extension 2224 or 2454, or

send an email to [alumni@cayuga-cc.edu](mailto:alumni@cayuga-cc.edu) to request a proxy statement be sent to you.

The agenda for the Annual Meeting will include:

- Approval of May 2012 Minutes
- Treasurer's Report
- President's Report
- CCCC Foundation Report
- Alumni Director Report
- New and Old Business
- Committee Reports
- Election of Board of Directors

## NOTICE: Bylaw Change Proposal

The Constitution and bylaws of the Auburn/Cayuga Community College Alumni Association, ratified September 11, 2007, state in [Bylaws] Article IV - Amendments, Section 1: "These bylaws may be amended at any annual or special meeting of the Board of Directors by a majority vote of the members present." The Association's Constitution and Bylaws Committee is proposing a change to the bylaws and requests that such proposal be published prior to the September 2012 Association Annual Meeting and elections.

### Current Bylaw -- Article II, Section 6.

"The past-President shall be an ex-officio member and attend regular Board meetings."

### Proposed Bylaw Amendment -- Article II, Section 6.

"The past-President may be a member of the board and shall attend regular Board meetings."

This proposed bylaw amendment will be voted on by all in attendance at the annual meeting to be held Tuesday, September 11, 2012. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. and will be held in the Faculty Dining Room on the lower level of the Auburn campus. If you have questions prior to the meeting, please submit them to Louise Wilson at (315) 255-1743 ext. 2224, or [alumni@cayuga-cc.edu](mailto:alumni@cayuga-cc.edu).



Alumni Board members hand out water to graduates at Commencement.

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



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## Across the Border

On a sunny day in April, alumni and friends of the Association left for an overnight trip to Toronto, Canada. This vibrant city offered a wide variety of activities for our group to experience on Saturday: Some took in a National League baseball game at the SkyDome to watch the Blue Jays trounce the Seattle Mariners 7-0...others attended a stage production of *War Horse* at the Princess of Wales Theatre...those in need of retail therapy headed to Eaton Centre...many chose to walk and explore neighborhoods, as well as the Distillery District, an up-and-coming area rich in history...an interesting choice for some was the historic St. Lawrence Market with its plethora of foods and goods to see and sample...while others decided it was a great day for a ride up the CN Tower to see the view. The evening's fun option was taking in the show at the Second City Comedy Club to cap the day

with lots of laughs. Our suite accommodations gave a comfortable respite after a day packed with sightseeing.

What came as a surprise to many was that one of the highlights of the trip was the Sunday brunch and stage production of *The 39 Steps* at the Stage West Theatre. Our group enjoyed a wonderful buffet and watched as a cast of four played 150 different characters in the Alfred Hitchcock whodunit, re-written into a comedy.

No trip to the area would be complete without a visit to Niagara Falls. The weather was perfect for viewing and taking photos. It was hard to imagine that several weeks later, Nik Wallenda would actually walk a tightrope across this natural wonder.

It was a fun weekend and we thank those who joined us. We hope to see you on another alumni-sponsored getaway!

- Louise Wilson '72



Toronto, Canada



Niagara Falls

## Summer in the City



Cool breezes and low summer temperatures made for a comfortable NYC day trip with the Alumni

Association on July 21. Upon our arrival, my destination: Union Square Park. The plan was to meet Fred Price, a fellow Moravia resident, who travels to the city to sell baked goods at the Farmer's Market there. As I searched for Mr. Price, I was impressed by the abundance of colorful flowers, fruits and vegetables that adorned each vendor's booth. Children playing in the park, street performers playing guitars, accordions and even pots and pans...all filled the air with pleasant sounds of music and laughter drowning out the honking horns of impatient cab drivers.

I found Fred Price's stand and we had an enjoyable chat. Before I left, he gave me a magazine, "Edible Manhattan." It contained an article about him and his wife of 29 years. Later, as I waited to board the bus for the trip home, I relaxed under a shade tree in Bryant

Park and read the article. I found it interesting that their baked goods are appreciated by Chef Mario Batali, who frequents the market.

I saw many unique sights, tasted some great food...and I can't swear to it but I think I even saw Jack Nicholson, one of my favorite motion picture actors. Millions of people are drawn to the Big Apple for its glitz and glam, the sights and sounds of Broadway, shopping, and seeing some of the most famous landmarks in the world. Even though by the end of the day my poor feet were screaming for mercy, for me, this trip to NYC was different this time around. I had an opportunity to get in touch with the real New York, and observe the day-to-day life of the people who live there.

On the ride home, I spoke with some of the other travelers and heard of their adventures. One woman met with her daughter who lives in the city and they walked across the Brooklyn Bridge. Many shopped, and some took the ferry to the Statue of Liberty. Several visited the Museum of Natural History and the Met. The weather played a great role to allow for my most enjoyable summer trip to the city.

- Lori Cochran '05



## Antique Appraisal Fair

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## Gottysburg Battlefield

September 21-23, 2012

Escorted by John Lamphere

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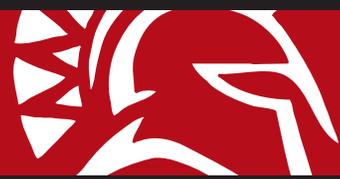


## New York City OVERNIGHT

November 10-11, 2012

**"Do Your Own Thing" with a new twist on an old favorite!**

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**Jeff Hoffman**  
CCC  
Foundation  
Executive  
Director

## Dear Alumni and Friends of ACC/CCC,

**"Thank goodness that's over!"**

When you visit Cayuga's River Glen Campus—and we hope you will visit!—you're likely to hear someone say, "Thank goodness that's over!" referring to the move from our former site. Moving to River Glen has been one of the most time-consuming, stressful and expensive undertak-

ings in the history of your alma mater. It is also one of our most visionary and exciting! Now that everyone and everything has

moved, it's tempting to say "Thank goodness that's over!" But in reality, this is just the beginning of the expanding outreach of the ACC/CCC Alumni Association to our graduates in Oswego County.

For the past year, your Alumni Association has been looking ahead through its "New Ideas Committee." We're brainstorming ways to serve our alumni and students in Oswego County. We take great pride in having the best alumni association among SUNY's community colleges; however, our past success doesn't guarantee our future.

The CCC Foundation faces the same

challenge as does the Alumni Association. The Foundation needs to expand our presence and define our niche in the Greater Fulton/Oswego Community. We've started already by holding our first "Oswego Roundtables" in July. We invited business and community leaders from Oswego County to show them our plans in Fulton and ask for their feedback.

As I've said before, the CCC Foundation's purchase of the River Glen Plaza was our largest single investment ever. We need to make this investment work for all of us—alumni, faculty, staff, businesses, nonprofits, local government and, especially,

students. We look forward to working with you to realize River Glen's full promise to the Cayuga Community College Family.

In the Cayuga Spirit,  
**Jeff Hoffman**

PS: One final note: as we have for the past 20 years, the Foundation will kick off the fall semester with our Alumni Annual Appeal. We'll ask you to consider your investment in Cayuga's students. Your support to the Cayuga Community College Foundation makes all the difference to today's students, who are tomorrow's alumni.

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**Bethany Nelson '12, Phone-a-Thon caller, and Marin Valentino '12, Alumni Scholarship winner, meet Samite at the conclusion of his first campus concert.**

## Brunell Visiting Scholar Recap

The Brunell Chair in the Humanities featured world-renowned musician, humanitarian and photographer Samite Moldano during the spring semester. The program provided students, faculty and staff, as well as the community, with a multi-faceted series of events. Two concerts were presented, one of which featured the participation of the College's Jazz Ensemble, Vocal Jazz Ensemble, and Chorus. A reception and photography exhibit, talk, and meet-and-greet was held at The Library Gallery @ 197 located in the Auburn campus library. At another function, art students were given the opportunity to paint on stage in the Irene A. Bisgrove Community Theatre. While they created their works of art, Samite sang and played a variety of instruments for the class to paint by. A class on African Culture and Politics, "Musicians for World Harmony," was open to students and the public.

One of the most poignant offerings was the showing and subsequent discussion of the Oscar-nominated documentary, *War Dance*. The 2007 film told the true story of three children, members of the Acholi ethnic group who lived in remote northern Uganda. The "Power of Music," a theme that comes up often in Samite's various works, is what helped these children and their families survive during terrorism and rebellion that took place in their country. Samite himself

survived as a refugee in Uganda and knew first-hand what these Child Soldiers lived through. Following the showing, the audience was invited to take part in a question-and-answer session. Samite gave first-hand accounts of the pain and suffering they endured.

For those who were not able to attend the various offerings, Samite's music CDs are available at [www.samite.com](http://www.samite.com). We suggest visiting [www.wardancethemovie.com](http://www.wardancethemovie.com) to see trailers of the film.

This very special program is the legacy of the late Professor Robert H. Brunell, who prior to his passing in 2004, established a fund to bring a visiting scholar to the College for one semester, every other year. The "Brunell Chair in the Humanities" gave the CCC Foundation the funds needed to provide this semester-long series of events. A committee then worked together for several months to stage them. Those involved included: Howard Nelson, Professor of English; Melissa Johnson, Instructor of Art; Michael Cortese, Instructor of Rec. Arts & Music; Bob Frame, Director of Theatre Operations; Margaret Spillet, Director of Public Relations; Margaret Devereaux, Media Collection Development Librarian; and Foundation staff members Jeff Hoffman, Martha MacKay, Carol MacKenzie, and Louise Wilson.



**CCC Student Artist Olivia Gilbert holds a program with her painting titled "Samite Musical Interpretation."**

## 26th Presidents' Circle Dinner

The Foundation's annual Presidents' Circle Dinner honors the many individuals, foundations and businesses whose support makes our success possible. Members of the Presidents' Circle make annual gifts of \$1,000 and above to the Cayuga Community College Foundation. It is also an opportunity to thank our benefactors who have made a gift of \$10,000 or more in any given year.

This year's event was held on May 2 at the Sherwood Inn. Traditionally, the program and invitations feature the art of a CCC student artist. This year, as a special tie-in with the Brunell Visiting Scholar, the artwork had special meaning. Samite Mulondo, the scholar-in-residence, performed while Instructor Melissa Johnson's art students, faculty and guests painted. The performance and class took place on the stage of the Irene A. Bisgrove Community Theatre on March 7. Foundation staff members selected a painting done by CCC student Olivia Gilbert.



Foundation director Jeff Hoffman and board member Joanne Dusel meet Tommy Tune.



Former Fulton SGO President Michael Fochtman '12 and Foundation Executive Director Jeff Hoffman help prepare for fall orientation.

## Thank you for annual appeal

So many of you have given generously to your college in a number of ways. You have sent us financial gifts in response to the 2011-2012 Annual Alumni Appeal -- "Our Past, Our Present, Our Future." You have endowed student scholarships. A number of you have provided for the CCC Foundation in your will. You have volunteered your time and talents in promoting your Alumni Association.

It's hard to believe that in this age of ever-changing phone communication, our annual March Phone-a-Thon continues to succeed. We had three wonderful CCC students who reached out to many of you during our telephone appeal. They are **Bethany Nelson '12**, **Stephanie Davis '12** and Kayla Murray. On their behalf, as well as our own, we would like to thank you all for your support—past, present and future.

—Louise & Jeff



## Thommie Walsh's Legacy to Aid CCC Students



Thommie Walsh  
1950 - 2007

The stage of the Irene A. Bisgrove Community Theatre on the Auburn campus was graced with not one, but two icons on May 11 and 12. Broadway star and nine-time Tony Award winner Tommy Tune brought his current show, *Steps in Time*, to Auburn as a tribute to his longtime friend, Auburn native Thommie Walsh who died in 2007. Walsh's cousin and ACC alumnus John Walsh '65, host of the long-running television show *America's Most Wanted*, took to the stage to welcome the crowd. The trio, The Manhattan Rhythm Kings, provided music for the show.

The special presentation was organized by Barbara Walsh, Thommie's sister. She wanted to bring the show to town to establish a Cayuga Community College Scholarship in her brother's name and to award it to a student who wants to pursue a career in musical theater. Walsh stated that the scholarship "will be Thommie's legacy" and will "help keep his memory alive." Thommie was an actor, singer and dancer and had roles in several Broadway shows before becoming a producer, choreographer and author. Walsh himself was the recipient of two Tonys and was an original cast member of the Pulitzer Prize-winning play, *A Chorus Line*.

College Foundation board member Joanne Dusel '76 organized a special reception held after the Saturday night show which enabled ticket holders who

wished to attend the opportunity to meet and greet Tune and Walsh and have a photo taken with them. Several organizations joined together to bring the event to CCC: Auburn Public Theater in association with Barbara Walsh, the Cayuga Community College Foundation, the CCC Student Activities Board, M&T Bank, and the Stardust Foundation of Central New York. The tribute's goal was to raise funds to endow the scholarship; the generosity of the community made that goal a reality.



John Walsh '65 welcomes the audience

## An ACC Family's Legacy



Edward and  
Mary Giannino

"My dad, Edward Sr., graduated with the first class at Auburn Community College [1955]," Ed remembered. "My mother worked at Red Star Express Lines to put Dad through school, and he drove a cab at night," he continued. "I was born in 1954, so my parents were busy people!"

Upon graduating from ACC, Edward Sr. went to work at the GE plant on West Genesee Street. "It was a tough place to work. That's why my parents wanted us to get an education," Ed continued. "I went to ACC, graduating in 1974. Professor Warren Taylor said I was the first 'second generation' graduate of ACC!"

Ed went on to Buffalo State, earning his

bachelor's degree in nutrition. "I then came home and ran Meals on Wheels in Auburn. Eventually I got my master's in social work at the University of Buffalo." Now in private practice as a counselor, Ed realized that he wanted to help others get their educations. That's why Edward Giannino Jr. decided to add a provision to his will to create a scholarship at CCC in honor of his parents, Edward and Mary Giannino.

"My life started in Auburn. This is where my roots are, and I have good thoughts about my education at ACC," he said. "I had some great professors: Bill Komanecky, Don Griffin, Don Sanzotta and others. That's why I've decided to give back."

Gifts like this one from Ed Giannino represent giving at the highest level. They reflect your personal values as well as your strong belief in the future of the College. If you have named the Cayuga Community College Foundation in your estate plans or would like to know how to do so, contact Jeffrey L. Hoffman, executive director of the Foundation, at (315) 294-8627, or [foundation@cayuga-cc.edu](mailto:foundation@cayuga-cc.edu).

Thank you!  
Jeff Hoffman



## Greetings to ACC/CCC Alumni and Friends,



**Dr. Daniel Larson**

As you read this newsletter, our new River Glen campus in Fulton is open and ready for faculty, staff, students, and the community. It has been exciting to see this capital project progress from initial planning through actual construction during the past few years. More than once,

I wondered if it actually ever would come to fruition—and now it has! The design builds upon our current Broadway campus, the lessons learned, and the opportunities to reach. With more than 80,000 square feet of space, the look, feel, and design of this new campus will resonate immediately for those who enter its doors. It is spectacular! We anticipate a public grand opening in the next several weeks, so please watch for those details.

The groundbreaking for the Schwartz Family Performing Arts Center in downtown Auburn is delayed due to legal issues. Cayuga County is becoming the lead agency

for the court-ordered environmental review. The City of Auburn completed that process with the demolition of the former Kalet's building. We will fulfill this court directive as part of our next steps. Once the environmental review is complete, and all else being in order, we will re-bid the project. This delay has hampered our anticipated completion date, so it will be Fall 2013 or Spring 2014 before the project is done. Patience is essential here!

We have received and are reviewing several proposals for student housing on the Auburn campus. The student housing committee will formulate its recommendation about next steps and submit it to the Board of Trustees for consideration. It is exciting to see the interest of outside companies in what we are trying to accomplish. We anticipate a first-phase project of 300 beds, completed no earlier than Fall 2013. Many more details are pending with this project.

In early June, we announced our partnership with the Auburn City School District. It will transfer the plateau field, behind the junior high school, to the College so we can construct the Dr. Joseph F. and Honey Karpinski Athletic Complex. This multi-purpose artificial turf complex will

give us our own outdoor athletic facilities. The design adds baseball and softball diamonds along with a main field used for soccer, lacrosse, and field hockey. The generosity of Dr. Karpinski in support of this project is extraordinary! We still have a major capital campaign to start, but the impact of this project on the College and our community promises to be impressive. In consideration of the transfer of the plateau field, the College will help the Auburn City School District put artificial turf on Holland Stadium. The two complexes, located side by side, will provide a tremendous boost to both educational institutions, allowing use of these facilities without concern for muddy fields and grass conditions. Outside of athletics, these fields will be available for community events including marching band competitions.

People may ask why we are focused on these capital projects instead of on increasing excellence in our academic programs and services. Indeed, we are doing both, knowing that the two work together, each supporting the other. In Fulton, we reached maximum student capacity several years earlier than projected. For our growth to continue, we need additional space both

immediately and long term. In Auburn, students are not coming to us given our lack of opportunities like on-campus student housing and athletic facilities. For many students, engagement with extracurricular activities and intercollegiate athletics provides the incentive to continue with their studies. Demographic trends through the end of this decade show high school graduating classes across the country contracting by up to 20-30%. If we do not address these opportunities now, we soon would be a smaller institution, unable to maintain what we have accomplished over the past decades much less build toward a brighter future. The impact of post-secondary education on our community and the region we serve is too important and too powerful to let those opportunities be unaddressed. We are being strategic in our projects, anticipating the return that will come not only with more students but also in enhancing the programs and services we deliver to Central New York.

I do hope that you will stop in to see what we have underway in Auburn and in Fulton. I think you will be pleased, surprised, and impressed!

Sincerely,  
**Dan**

## Congratulations, Class of 2012!



**On May 20, 2012, Cayuga Community College celebrated its 58th Commencement. We are pleased to welcome our 680 new graduates to the ACC/CCC Alumni Association, the largest class in College history.**





**Patricia S. Gridley, Ph.D.** received the 2011-2012 SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Faculty Service. She has been teaching early childhood courses for the past 15 years and has helped coordinate the Teacher Preparation program at the College.



**Alicia Frame '12** was recognized by SUNY with a 2012 Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence. She served as vice president of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and was vice president and standout actor with Harlequin Productions, the College's theater company.



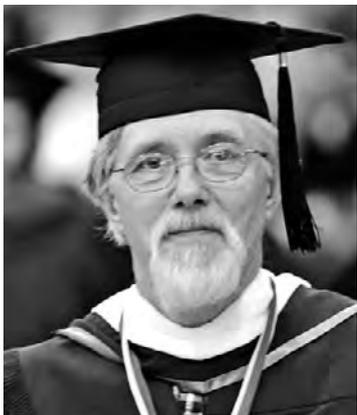
**Robert M. Frame**, director of theatre operations, received the 2011-2012 SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Professional Service. Bob joined the College in 1979 and has developed an award-winning theatre program through Harlequin Productions, the College drama club.



**Carol (Wilson) MacKenzie '74** received the 2011-2012 Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Classified Service. She joined the College's staff in 1996 as administrative assistant to the executive director of the College Foundation.



**Marin Valentino '12** received the 2012 SUNY Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence. She served as president of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and was the graphic designer of the Chemistry Club. Marin also served as vice president of the Tutor Club.



**Prof. Nelson**  
2012 Commencement



**Prof. Howard Nelson**  
1972

## Welcome & Goodbye

*New Hires (full-time) from April – September 2012*

### NEW FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES

James H. Forsythe IV	Enterprise Systems Integrator	April 2012
Jon W. Callan	Banner Support Specialist (Auburn)	June 2012
Terry L. Kupp	Director, Center for Academic Success (Appointed)	July 2012
Mary Brooke Oropallo	Senior Typist, Student Development (Auburn)	August 2012



**Prof. Paczkowski**  
2012 Commencement



**Prof. Thomas Paczkowski -1984**

### RETIREMENTS

Howard H. Nelson	Professor of English	42 Years	August 1, 2012
Thomas J. Paczkowski '72	Professor of Business/Emerson Fdn Endowed Chair in Enterprise & Innovation	35 Years	August 8, 2012
Diane M. Salvati '91	Senior Typist, Student Development	11 Years	September 26, 2012

## Library Research Award

Mark W. Burr is the recipient of the 2011-2012 Cayuga Community College Library Research Award. The purpose of the award is to encourage and support student achievement in information literacy. Mark received the highest score among the finalists for his paper *An American Failure: A Case Study of the Carlisle Experiment*. As winner of the ninth annual Library Research Award, Mark received a prize of \$200, and his name will be engraved on the permanent plaque.

## ACC/CCC 60 Years 1953-2013

Watch for 60th Anniversary details in the Spring/Summer issue of *The Spartan*



**CCC President Daniel Larson and Professor of Philosophy Jeff Delbel are shown dressed in traditional attire during their March 2012 trip to India.**



**Ganges River scene**

## Cayuga's Partnership with Indian Universities

Cayuga Community College has joined in the national trend of community colleges seeking to recruit international students in an effort to expand global diversity and increase tuition revenue. The College has chosen to focus its marketing efforts on India because statistics show that many of that country's students already study abroad, more than any other foreign country. The goal of this initiative is to create pathways to global opportunities for faculty and student engagement, learning and research.

Following two years of exploratory work in establishing ties and mutual interests, which included two trips to India by college delegations to meet with high school and college leaders, agreements have been reached to establish relationships with two Indian universities. In March 2012, President Daniel Larson, Dean of Enrollment Cheryl Anderson-Lindsay, and Professor Jeffrey Delbel made the most recent trip in order to formalize the College's first partnership. As a result, a Memorandum of Understanding was finalized and signed with North Maharashtra University in Jalgoan. Furthermore, an agreement was established to proceed in a relationship with Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University in Nagpur. Both cities are in the west central Indian state of Maharashtra, east of Mumbai.

As the newsletter goes to print, the College expects to host several Indian faculty members and administrators to finalize faculty and student exchanges. And, as part of initial collaborative projects, a Science Symposium is scheduled for early November with both local and Indian experts on the topic of Developments to Advance Sustainable Agriculture, the Environment and Food Production--From an International and Local Perspective. Keynote speaker will be Dr. Sudhir Meshram, Vice-Chancellor



**CCC team meets local historian at Nagpur Museum.**

of NMU and former director of the Rajihiv Gandhi Biotechnology Center at Nagpur University.

According to Dr. Larson, the College anticipates a productive relationship with India. To read Dr. Larson's blog throughout his travels to India, please visit <http://cayugavoices.com/tag/india/>

*Information contributed by Emily Cameron, Office of Enrollment Management and International Relations, and Cheryl A. Lindsay, Dean of Enrollment Management, Chief International Officer*

### Growth in International Travel Study Opportunities

In addition to establishing the partnerships with Indian universities, Cayuga will offer its first travel study program to India during the spring 2013 semester. The three-credit Eastern Philosophy hybrid course will provide students with the opportunity to

embark on a 10-day excursion designed to give students a full immersion in Indian culture. The focus will be eastern philosophy and world religions and will include visits to many cultural and holy sites including: Mahatma Gandhi's Ashram, the holy cities of Varanasi and Sarnath and the Taj Mahal. The program will be led by Dr. Jeffrey Delbel, retired professor and adjunct instructor of philosophy, and will lay the foundation for future exchanges between Cayuga and the Indian universities.

Also, the College's London program will travel from January 2 through January 15, 2013. Students may choose from eleven three-credit hour courses, all taught by experienced faculty members. Our London program is the largest and most-popular intersession travel program among all 64 of our SUNY peer campuses. For more information regarding the India or London travel study programs, please visit [www.cayuga-cc.edu/travelstudy](http://www.cayuga-cc.edu/travelstudy).

## Alumni Authors

### Mark C. Coleman '96



**Mark C. Coleman**

Throughout his career **Mark C. Coleman** has developed a strong focus on the critical areas of energy, environment, and sustainability. His career has spanned strategic and leadership positions in government, applied research, technology development, and management consulting organizations. This

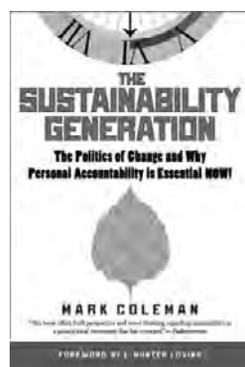
rich and diverse experience has enabled Mark to have access to, engage, and work with a broad range of regional, national, and international leaders on the subject of sustainability.

*The Sustainability Generation: The Politics of Change and Why Personal Accountability is Essential NOW!* by Mark Coleman examines how individual and generational entitlement represent the underlying root causes of social and environmental challenges and how

this has led to "erroneous indulgence" of natural resources to the detriment of future generations' ability to meet their needs. This groundbreaking book, Mark's first, will be available October 9th.

Coleman received a B.A. in Geography and Environmental Studies from Binghamton University and his Master's of Science in Environmental Management and Policy from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He is Manager of Technical Development for RIT Clean Energy Incubator (CEI) and Senior Program Manager at the Center for Integrated Manufacturing Studies (CIMS) and Golisano Institute for Sustainability (GIS).

Mark is married to **Aileen McNabb-Coleman '97**. They have two sons, four-year-old Owen and two-year-old Neal. The Coleman family currently resides in Fairport, NY.



### Matthew R. Kelley '01 & '09

**Matthew R. Kelley** had a book signing at Auburn's Downtown Books & Coffee this past February. He had spent ten years writing his first novel, *The Last Good Story*, starting the first draft while he was attending CCC back in 2000. In an interview with Cayuga's *Collegian*, Kelley said that the main themes are "broken hearts, failed dreams, frustration with the lack of depth in modern society, and the beauty of blues music." Matthew collaborated with fellow alumni **Christina Hopkins '01** to design the cover for his book. Dissatisfied with his conversations with some literary agents, Kelley used the experience gained at CCC while earning his second degree and started his own publishing press, Disasterpiece Press. *The Last Good Story*, released June 13, 2011, is available on Amazon.com and at Auburn's Downtown Books & Coffee.

Kelley is looking forward to the release of his second book, *Chalk Outlines*, "a collection of short stories in tribute to the retail workers that do an excellent job during the Christmas Season," and is working diligently to have it released before "Black Friday." Currently living in Dallas, Texas, with his "lovely girlfriend," Matthew continues to promote *The Last Good Story* and Disasterpiece Press. He works full time at a book store and is working on his



**Matthew R. Kelley**

follow-up novel which he hopes will be released at the end of 2013, or early 2014.

Dealing with a lot of sleepless nights, working two jobs and attending CCC for a second time, Matt said that all of his professors were helpful whenever

he had questions and that he managed to learn a great deal. The author earned a Humanities & Social Science degree in 2001 and a Business Administration degree in 2009. On a personal note, Kelley shares, "I enjoyed my experience at CCC. It was extremely beneficial in helping me achieve my lifelong goal. I miss those times on campus where I spent the majority of two years of my life learning and researching."



# College News



CCC President Daniel Larson gets a "Bananagram"!



3rd Annual Fitness Challenge -- 2nd Place Team.



Foundation Executive Director Jeff Hoffman, Athletic Director Pete Liddell and Publications & Communications Director Margaret Spillett at the athletic field announcement.



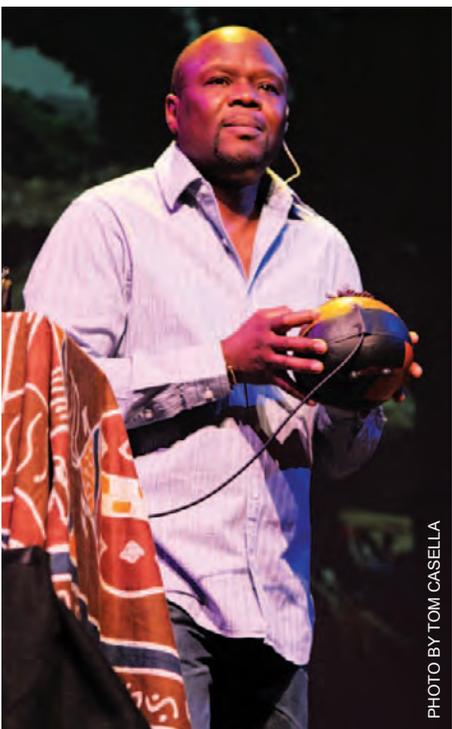
Alumni Director Louise Wilson with Broadway Star Tommy Tune.



Alumni Board member John McLeod '08 distributes water to future alum prior to 2012 commencement ceremony.



Fulton students help clean up the highway.



Brunell Visiting Scholar, Samite



Former classmates Lloyd Hoskins '74, William Fassinger '75 and John Lamphere '74 reunite at the Alumni Awards Brunch in May.



Patricia A. Fiorillo-Bullock received the College's Educational Support Excellence Award for 2011. An employee of the College since September 1999, Pat currently serves as a typist and switchboard operator at the Auburn Campus but is most known as the smile behind the receptionist desk.



## Where are they now? Telcom Alums

### Andrew S. Abrams '06

During his time at CCC, **Andrew S. Abrams** was an intern with Time Warner Cable Sports in Syracuse. Following his graduation from SUNY Fredonia, he worked as a freelance video replay operator for Time Warner where they covered local high school sports, SU Lacrosse, SU Football, Syracuse Crunch Hockey, and others.

Andy accepted a job with the Manchester Monarchs, minor league affiliate of the NHL's Los Angeles Kings, in New Hampshire. After only one year working for the Monarchs, he was hired by the NHL's St. Louis Blues as lead Video Editor/Game Night Video Director. Andy is now going into his third season with the St. Louis Blues and is responsible for editing all the content for the team's video board. This includes player features, music videos, pumps, open videos and TV commercials. In addition, he directs the video control room on game nights.

Abrams shares, "Cayuga really helped me develop the skills and creativity that I now use to create entertaining videos for crowds of over 19,000 people on any given night."



Andrew S. Abrams

### Lisa D. Chelenza '92

**Lisa D. Chelenza** is one-third of the two-time New York State Broadcaster Award winning team of the "Gomez & Dave in the Morning Show" (best morning show team) on TK99 and WOUB. She is also host of "Pet Pointers" on YNN. In our fall 2009 *Spartan*, we shared that Lisa had won National Emmy Awards as a feature producer on NBC Sports for her work on the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, UT, and the 2004 Summer Olympics in Athens, Greece. During her career, Chelenza has worked as on-camera talent for TNN, Fox Sports Net and Showtime. She has also worked as feature producer for Lifetime Television, NBC Sports and Time Warner Cable.

Chelenza was nominated for Syracuse Woman of the Year in 2012 for her efforts in support of animal welfare causes, as well as for educating the public on responsible pet parenting. She serves on the Board of Directors of Spay and Neuter Syracuse (SANS), a low-cost spay and neuter clinic in Syracuse, and the Priscilla Mahar Animal Welfare Foundation. Lisa cares for several pets that she has rescued on her small farm in Skaneateles, NY.



Lisa Chelenza with Brian Williams at the 2011 NYS Broadcaster Awards

### Matthew R. Victory '01



Matthew R. Victory

Following graduation from CCC, **Matthew R. Victory** and his wife Brandy started Victory Sound Solutions, LLC. Their company provides audio services for broadcasting, such as broadcast audio consulting, audio post, 5.1 mixing and encoding, as well as composing. Some of their clients include: NASCAR Media Group, SPEED, ESPN, NBC, ABC, CBS, CBS College Sports, The

Buffalo Sabres, FOX, HBO, HD NET, NEP, CSP Direct TV, Time Warner Cable, and a host of others.

Over the last six years, Matthew has been serving as senior audio for NASCAR Media Group and SPEED's productions of NASCAR on SPEED. He explained that NASCAR tours the country with over 36 events. Victory is the senior audio for both NASCAR Pre Season and the Champions Banquet in Las Vegas; in fact, he was senior audio for the first-ever live broadcast of the NASCAR Champions Banquet.

This year, Matt is serving as senior audio for the AMA Superbike series. He was in Utah this past May mixing the World Superbike feed. The broadcast aired on SPEED as well as in English and Italian internationally. For the future of his company, Matthew hopes to start a local full service audio post facility. He would like to provide high quality sound mixes and music composition for radio, film and television.

### Jeffrey Szczesniak '01 & '03

**Jeffrey Szczesniak** attended Cayuga Community College from the fall of 1998 to the spring of 2003. "I pretty much studied every way except online: full time, part time, etc." While attending CCC, he was Station Manager at WDWN and also president of the RAT (Radio and Television) Guild.

Jeff interned and worked at WFSW radio in Seneca Falls until the station was sold. Following graduation from CCC with his two degrees, he worked in customer service. In his free time, Szczesniak would visit CCC and volunteer at the radio station and the Telcom Department. He explained that "I think it was because I got so involved as a student that it just felt natural to help out and lend a hand." In 2005, Jeff was offered a position at the college to help with the installation of the Telcom Department's equipment upgrades. Because WFSW had upgraded to a broadcast program and Jeff had used it extensively, he was engaged to help get the college station up and running into the so-called "digital age."

Since then, Szczesniak has continued to work at the college and has become the Radio Station Advisor to WDWN. "I really enjoy teaching the students the medium of radio and being a part of the college staff now." Jeff is responsible for the station's daily operations, programming and content, and overseeing a student staff that primarily runs the station with



Jeffrey Szczesniak



his help. Jeff added that "I love listening to all sorts of music and am still searching for that 'perfect song.'"

### Jeffrey L. Woodard '92



TV Anchor Brian Williams and Jeff Woodard at the RDTNA Awards Dinner

In the Fall/Winter 2009 *Spartan* newsletter, we shared that **Jeffrey L. Woodard** had become the second graduate of CCC to win an Emmy Award for his work in television. He won the Emmy in the category of Politics/Government: Program/Special in 2009 for the half-hour feature he produced, called "The

nominated for 44 Emmys, and won 10 of them. They have also won 15 regional RTDNA (Radio Television Digital News Association) awards, and 5 National Edward R. Murrow (RTDNA) awards, including the prestigious Overall Excellence award for small markets in 2011. Woodard was photographed with Brian Williams, anchor and managing editor of NBC Nightly News, after accepting the Overall Excellence award. He said that they also won national awards in two other categories that night. According to Jeff, the ratings at WGRZ-TV have gone to first-place in all morning newscasts, as well as all early-evening newscasts.

Jeff shared that his time at Cayuga was vital to his early development. He keeps some of his academic books on his shelf and, to this day, still refers to them. He feels lucky to have worked professionally with some of his professors. The telecommunications program at CCC gave Jeff the opportunity to get "hands-on work in both radio and television," and gave him the start he needed to take his education further. "My time with Steve (Keeler) and at Cayuga was incredible!!"

Griffin Years," based on Buffalo's former mayor, Jimmy Griffin, who died in 2008.

Jeff has been the news director at WGRZ-TV, the NBC affiliate in Buffalo, NY, for over three years. During this time, the station has been

### Joshua R. Craddock '07



Joshua R. Craddock

Following his graduation from Ithaca College in 2008, where he earned his B.S. in Television Radio, **Joshua R. Craddock** began working at YNN, Channel 10 in Syracuse. YNN is Time Warner Cable's 24/7 regional news channel for New York's Central, Northern and Southern Tier areas. Josh was recently promoted to Senior Assignment Editor at YNN. He is in charge of the daily operations of

the assignment desk, which assigns stories and breaking news to reporters and photographers. Recently, Craddock was elected as 2nd Vice President of the Syracuse Press Club.

Josh shares that he had a great time at CCC, and feels that he was prepared and a "step ahead" for the transition to Ithaca College. "The college presented me with a wealth of opportunities right off the bat. In just two years I was able to edit the school newspaper, disc jockey on the college radio station, participate in numerous community TV show tapings, serve as play-by-play announcer for the college's basketball team on both the radio and TV station, intern at the *Syracuse New Times*, etc." Josh reflects that Steve Keeler, Telcom Department chair, "made sure I got the best education in the radio-television business."



## Telcom Alums

### Charlene (Butler) Maville '75



**Charlene (Butler) Maville**  
1975 ACC  
yearbook

It's not just because she met her husband, Michael J. Maville, at ACC: **Charlene (Butler) Maville** shares that she always regarded her time at Auburn Community College as a wonderful experience and adds that "I received a solid communications base which helped me to land my first job in TV." Since that time, Charlene went on to earn her B.A. at Barry University in Miami, and to receive three Emmy Awards, a Telly Award, and several other broadcasting awards. Mike, whom she married in 1975, was a Telcom and Engineering student at ACC for a year; he received his B.S. from SUNY Oswego and his M.B.A. from SU.

Charlene is now the Marketing and Production Coordinator with WPTV-TV in West Palm Beach, FL, an NBC affiliate. She shares that WPTV has been the #1 station in its market since 1954. Some of her Production Coordinator duties include managing elements of local commercial production, producing and directing commercials, scheduling field shoots, writing scripts, and working closely with clients. In addition to her production duties, she is responsible for facilitating revenue-generating, marketing opportunities. She acts as liaison between the sales and news departments, researches and creates marketing ideas for news and NBC programming opportunities.

Prior to her current positions, Charlene served



**Charlene (Butler) Maville**

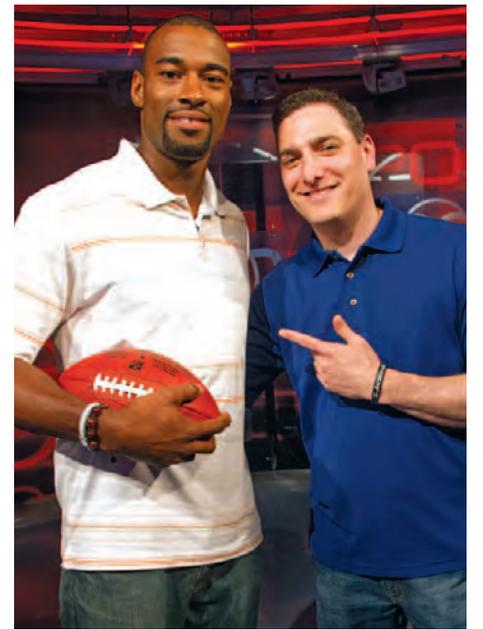
as Television Director with WPTV. She had worked for WCNY-TV/FM (PBS) in Syracuse from 1980-1992 as a Television Production Crew Person, and from 1992-1998 as a Television Producer/Director. While at (PBS) Syracuse, Charlene produced award-winning short-form children's programming and directed/technical directed live programs.

In addition to her three Emmy Awards and the Telly Award, Maville has received multiple SPJ (Society of Professional Journalists) Sunshine State Awards, an SPJ Green Eyeshade Award, an Associated Press (AP) Award and a PBS Advertising & Promotion Award. She is a current member of the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences. The couple has three children and one grandchild. Her husband Mike is currently Assistant Chief Engineer at WPTV.

### Jason P. Romano '93

As a Senior Talent Producer with ESPN, **Jason P. Romano** is responsible for overseeing a group of six Bristol-based Talent Producers and for servicing 23 ESPN television shows with guests. This group works at ESPN's primary broadcast studio based in Bristol, CT, on various ESPN television shows including SportsCenter, ESPN First Take, NFL LIVE, College Football LIVE, and SportsNation. They also contribute to ESPN Radio's shows with "Mike and Mike," Scott Van Pelt, and "The Herd." In addition, Romano works in talent development providing feedback for ESPN's current NFL analyses and also with their management team scouting and finding future on-air talent. In June, Jason served as a faculty member at the NFL's Broadcast Boot Camp. This four-day event teaches current and former NFL players the "ins and outs" of broadcasting.

Romano began his career with ESPN in July



**Jason with Detroit Lions All Pro Receiver Calvin Johnson**



**Wrestling Legend Hulk Hogan**

2000 as a producer at ESPN Radio. He became a Talent Producer in 2003 and was promoted to his current position last year. In 2004 Jason received an Emmy Award for Producer work on SportsCenter at ESPN.

Romano said that his time at CCC was

great: "It was my first exposure to broadcasting and really helped me learn and develop the basic skills needed to be successful in the broadcasting industry." Many celebrities have come through the ESPN halls and Jason was happy to share some memorable photos of himself with a few of them.



**The "Rock" Dwayne Johnson**

### Michael H. Ryan '04



**Michael H. Ryan** recently celebrated his sixth year at Advanced Staging Productions in West Chester, PA. The premier event staging company has served the corporate, non-profit and education market in the Philadelphia region for 25 years. Mike said that the company shares in the goal of the event and works to develop a comprehensive solution to audio, video and lighting needs. Their goal is to provide Event Technology

**Ryan receiving the Employee of the Quarter Award in December 2011**

Management to ensure seamless integration of technical aspects of sales meetings, award galas, fundraisers, graduation ceremonies and more.

As a technician Mike helps to set up, operate, and break down audio, video and lighting for the events. He has served as audio engineer, video engineer, camera operator, stagehand and spotlight operator. "I am so fortunate to have gone to CCC. They helped me gain the knowledge, insight and experience I needed for my career in this industry. The hands-on experience I received while at CCC was fantastic and I'm so grateful for the opportunity to have been part of a great program."

### Peter M. Parenteau '03



**Peter M. Parenteau**

**Peter M. Parenteau** graduated from Middle Tennessee State University with a B.A. in Recording Industry Management with a concentration in Production

and minor in Electronics. Pete has been living in Nashville, TN, since 2005 where he works for Spectrum Sound as an Audio Engineer. He has toured the country with singers and music groups such as Michael McDonald, Steely Dan, and The Judd's. Since 2005, Parenteau has been the monitor engineer for Wynonna Judd.

Pete shared that both the staff at CCC and the Telcom facilities were very accessible, which allowed him to learn much more than he would



**Peter and Jourdan (Coker) Parenteau**

have at any other "more rigid program." He said, "I couldn't have asked for a better platform from which to start my career." In October 2010, Peter married Jourdan Coker, whom he met at MTSU.

## More News about Telcom Alums

As one of the top freelance camera operators in the United States, **Craig S. Braden '83** was the Director of Photography for Sir Paul McCartney's latest concert video. He was also selected to shoot Sir Paul's wedding.

**James R. Caruana '87** is a staff engineer for Sony Records in New York City. He was recently nominated for a Grammy Award for his work on the Beyoncé album "Dangerously in Love," which won five Grammys.

Our *Spartan* spring 2010 "Alumni of Note" **Steven J. Zajac '87** has won three Emmy Awards for his camera work with NASCAR productions.

Emmy Award winner **David W. Malek '91** was CCC's fourth Emmy winner. He is the Director of Photography for the HBO series "Hard Knocks," the famous series that took a behind-the-scenes look at NFL training camps. As updated in our fall 2010 *Spartan*, Malek traveled to Cortland to shadow the New York Jets training camp. He invited CCC Professor Steve Keeler and a few others to tour the "Hard Knocks" operations. Dave has worked for NFL Films for the last 10 years.

**Jeffrey T. Tofani '97** is senior technician for Voice of America Radio and Television in Washington, DC.

Alumna **Tiffany Collinsworth '08** is making a name for herself in the local media. She can be seen on live webcast Mondays and Thursdays at 1 p.m. on FL1TV, Finger Lakes Weekend with Tiffany Collinsworth. The webcast site at www.fingerlakes1.tv covers news, weather, sports and delivers local information on the community calendar. The site provides interactives, regular programs, photos, video and much more for the Finger Lakes region.

## Telly Award Won

CCC Telcom students won a 2012 Telly Award for "Please Pass the Salt Potatoes...Again!" The winning sequel documentary about foods and dishes with origins in Upstate New York was produced by students over a four-year period. Former students John Baulick, **Benjamin S. Keeler '11**, **Carissa R. Lange '08**, **Chano Sanchez '09**, **Shaun A. Secaur '10**, and **Mark A. Veator '08**, each participated in C3Video Studios, the student-run video and film production company dedicated to teaching media/production and entrepreneurship skills to media/telcom students. The 32nd Annual Telly Awards received more than 11,000 entries from all 50 states and five continents.



## Harlequin Productions Presents "Club Hell"

Go to hell—*Club Hell*, that is. For their spring 2012 production, Harlequin Productions presented the world premiere of Kerry A. Forrestal and John R. Fracchia's *Club Hell* over two weekends in March. Harlequin Director Bob Frame found this gem on the internet. When he contacted the playwrights for permission, they were astounded that someone actually wanted to perform this work, written when both were college students at SUNY Binghamton. (Kerry is now an ER doctor in Maryland and John works for Ithaca College.) The trio put their heads together and worked through some rough spots in the script to get it ready for production and then continued to work throughout the rehearsal period. In fact, Kerry actually Skyped in for a few of the final rehearsals to see how the words flowed! Frame also gathered together his production team to start creating *Hell* at CCC (no, not calculus).

The story revolves around two marketers, Terry Fire and Jack Brimstone, who are planning a commercial to sell cigarettes during the Super Bowl. However, on the way to their appointment, they have a car accident and wake up in hell where they meet the Devil and his sidekick, the mischievous Imp. Fire and Brimstone decide to make the best of the situation and convince the Devil that he needs to hire them as marketers and begin a campaign extolling the virtues of "Club" Hell—like Club Med, only warmer. While in hell they enlist the aid of the Devil's administrative assistant, Eve—yes, *that* Eve—and then manage to run afoul of God, who decides to personify himself as John Lennon! Their adventures are many, but in the end, Fire and Brimstone realize the error of their past lives as they are returned to the world of the living while heaven and hell are restored to their previous glory.

Over 20 CCC students brought *Club Hell* to life including LaRae Brooks and Joshua Stedge as Fire and Brimstone and John Murphy as the Devil. The Imp was played

by Colin Wentworth while Caryl Frame brought new life to Eve and Stephen Hodge worked hard to find Lennon's Liverpudlian accent as God. The ensemble cast of Rachel Bodner, Maria Coleman, Lizzy Fennessy, Rhiannon Khoury, Katy Lubaszewski, Thomas Costantino, Zech Nelson and Dylan Thompson portrayed the various denizens of hell. Auburn Junior High student Alexandra Springer played Brimstone's little sister, Ashley. The student actors were assisted by the backstage talents of Stage Manager David Thieringer and his assistant, Michael Crowe. Kat Jordan gathered the props; Jed Daniels created the hellish sounds and ran lights; Joe Prue operated the sound board; and Nancy Hunt assisted with costuming. Empire State College student Anita Grosso assisted the lighting designer.

The excited playwrights came to see the show the final weekend and were enthralled with the work. The performance inspired them to rework some of it and begin collaboration on another piece. Theatre Association of New York State (TANYS) adjudicator Joan Luther was also invited to see the show and had a talk-back session with the company after the performance. She commented, "Harlequin Productions proved that hell can be a fun place. The original works production performed at Cayuga Community College showed a side to heaven and hell that we mortals didn't realize. The production came alive with its set, lights and costumes." Harlequin received word that she had decided to acknowledge the work she had seen with the following awards: Excellence in Scenic Design to Robert John Andrusko; Meritorious Achievement in Lighting Design to Brad McLean; Meritorious Achievement in Costuming to Mathew Ryan Limerick; and Meritorious Achievement in Ensemble Work to the Director and Cast.

All in all, the show was a success and much fun. We were all sorry to leave our sojourn to hell—a nice place to visit, but we wouldn't want to live there!



## ESTA Festival Award

In the fall of 2011 as part of "A Stack of One Acts," Harlequin presented George Bryjack's original work, *Therapy*. The cast, which featured Alicia Frame '12, Joshua Stedge and Rachel Bodner '12, was invited to present its production at the TANYS festival in November. Following the appearance, *Therapy* was invited to perform at the Eastern States Theatre Association's (ESTA) Original Works Festival held in Wilkes-Barre, PA. Director Frame and six students set off the morning of April 20 to prepare for their performance that evening—they were to be the opening production! In the afternoon a number of workshops were presented with Bob Frame giving one on Script Analysis. Twelve different companies representing four states presented their work over the course of the weekend, a very full schedule. At the final awards brunch, Rachel Bodner received an Outstanding Achievement in Acting (Supporting Role) for her work. Congratulations to all involved!



## Michael Harms Theatre Festival

Harlequin Productions was thrilled to host—for the third year—the Michael Harms Theatre Festival, sponsored by the Cultural Resources Council of Syracuse and Onondaga County. Over 200 young thespians representing five high schools and three community groups participated in this all-day event. Each group was able to give a 30-minute performance for their peers. The students also were able to attend 10 different workshops taught by working theatre

professionals. During the closing ceremony, more than \$1000 in scholarship aid was given out and many awards were presented recognizing some of the wonderful work. CCC students were there to point the high schoolers in the right direction and to assist in the productions. It was a very positive experience for all the participants and much energy was expended to show off CCC in a positive light. Plans are underway for the next festival scheduled for April 2013.



# Focus on Fulton



## A Message from the Fulton Campus Dean



*"The only question in life is whether or not you are going to answer a hearty 'YES' to your adventure."* — Joseph Campbell



**Maggie Killoran**

This quote made me laugh out loud when I read it—I think because it speaks to all of the change and transition (aka “adventure”) that Cayuga Community College’s Fulton Campus has been dealing with over the past year. If you have been following my other Spartan articles, you’ll know what I mean; if not, let me reiterate here.

The Fulton Campus has been on a path of growth and pending change for quite a few years now. However, once the purchase of the River Glen Plaza on Hwy 481 was finalized, things have been positively wild! Since then I have been working closely with employees and students to create the design of the new campus; sifting through thousands (literally) of emails with the architects and construction company; circumnavigating (didn’t even know that was a word) hiccups, glitches, confusion, clarity, being off-course, getting back on-course; establishing and leading countless committees to discuss paint color, floor color, carpet color, furniture options, lab requirements, milled casework; sorting out issues related to signage, IT specifications, and change orders; tripping over unexpected mistakes, corrections, expenses, and savings . . . and much, MUCH more!

And, I know that even as I write this in mid-July, it is not over. But, I also know that by the time you can read this (September), it will be. So, let me skip over all the drama and change and confusion associated with where I am right now, and I will time-travel to September 2012 as though I am already there.

*"It is good to have an end to journey towards, but it is the journey that matters in the end."* — Ursula LeGuin



## Student Trustee

Kevin D. Coleman has been elected Student Trustee for the 2012-13 academic year. The Student Trustee serves as the liaison between students, the SGO and the CCC Board of Trustees. Kevin, a veteran enrolled in the Liberal Arts/Sciences Adolescence Education degree program, has the distinction of being the first student from the Fulton Campus to serve in this capacity. He is shown being congratulated by the Fulton-SGO Executive Board during the end-of-semester barbeque after he had been declared the winner. Pictured are: Tracy Elkin, Secretary; Staci Beechner, Treasurer; Michele Yanock, Vice President; Kevin Coleman; and Michael Fochtman, President.

We are in the new campus and we survived! We dealt with all of the inevitable issues and setbacks with which we were presented and made a successful transition. We are all now present and accounted for at River Glen, settled into our respective areas, enjoying the shiny new spaces we all now occupy, noticing all the campus features that have been enhanced in the design process, appreciating that the worst is behind us, and feeling closer as a campus and a community because of what we have faced and handled together.

But, of course, I don’t want my focus on the final outcome (the “move”) to overshadow what was gained by this collective journey recently taken by all Fulton Campus employees. Having to go through something as momentous as a campus move has only served to make us appreciate each other more, to feel more bonded by the experience, and to increase our individual and collective confidence in our ability to face, manage, and gracefully navigate change to the other side. I take off my hat to all the faculty, staff, and students who assisted with this move and demonstrated patience with all of the glitches as they arose (sometimes daily). I also want to thank all those supervisors in Auburn and Fulton who helped to lead their departments through this difficult transition. But, ultimately, credit must go to College President Dr. Daniel Larson, for having such an unwavering sense of his vision/dream for the Fulton Campus that he was never deterred by barriers and issues and crises that would’ve given most of us pause.

Now, all that is remaining is for you to come and visit us at our new home at 11 River Glen Drive, Fulton, NY. We would love to show off our new digs and perhaps entice you to come (or come back) to college to take a class . . . or two . . . or four . . . or twenty . . .



## United Way Award

On March 14, 2012, Director of Operations Sue Witmer accepted the United Way of Greater Oswego County’s “Spirit of Community” Award on behalf of the Fulton Campus and the many key club leaders, members and advisors who played an important role in making such recognition possible. The award is presented annually to “volunteers who care and want to make a difference in their community.” Pictured L-R are: United Way Campaign Cabinet members Jonathan Daniels, Executive Director of the Port of Oswego Authority; Dick Delaney of Novelis; Sue Witmer; Doug McRae of Bond, Schoeneck and King; Rob Rolfe of Pathfinder Bank; and Terry Syrell of CENG. Photo credit: John De Rousie.



## SAB Banquet Awards

Two Fulton Campus employees were recognized at the annual Appreciation Banquet sponsored by the SAB. Instructor of Biology Christopher D’Arcy received the Student Senate Faculty Excellence Award, given annually by the SGO to the faculty member who exhibits care for students both in and out of the classroom. **Sue Witmer ’90** received the J. Richard Mahlstedt Memorial Award, which is given annually to the college employee who best exemplifies the characteristics that made Prof. Mahlstedt an exceptional member of the college community.

## PTK Events for United Way



Fulton Campus PTK members volunteered at the United Way’s Fourth Annual Stone Soup Too Luncheon held March 20, which raised more than \$1,100 for food pantries in Oswego County. Shown in the kitchen preparing to distribute salad are faculty member **Kathy Scozzari ’72**; PTK members Karen Mills, Ashley Litterbrant, Heidi Donahue; PTK advisor Vita Racko; and PTK members Dawn Varney and Paula Gardner.



PTK volunteers also helped with the coffee service at the Stone Soup Luncheon. Pictured are Lois Lubber, United Way of Oswego County; PTK members Heidi Donahue, Ashley Litterbrant, Karen Mills; and PTK advisor Vita Racko.



## 2012 Commencement Nursing Awards

Nursing graduates from the Auburn and Fulton Campus received their nursing pins at the 37th Annual Professional Advancement and Pinning Ceremony. Fifty-two graduates were awarded their pins on May 18, 2012.

Several nursing graduates received special recognition during the Pinning Ceremony:

Madeleine Alfieri Memorial Nursing Award

*Amanda K. Waby, Auburn*

Auburn Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Award

*Edward J. Zmuda, Seneca Falls*

Vicki Cook Condie Nursing Excellence Award

*Lisa L. Kimak, Elbridge*

Barbara Dove Memorial Award

*Alicia L. Slywka, Auburn*

Virginia (Dent) Greenfield Memorial Award

*Margaret M. Murray, Auburn*

*Amanda C. Woodmansee, Auburn*

Ethyl W. Mapes Nursing Award

*Joseph M. Dmytrenko, Union Springs*

*Vicki L. Pasco, Oswego*

William J. Painter Memorial Award

*Lori L. Daratt, Cato*

*Shelley L. Smith, Baldwinsville*

Dorothy M. Rooker Award

*Donna J. Chittenden, Baldwinsville*

Dr. George Sincerbeaux Pediatric Scholarship

*Johanna K. Dalton, Auburn*

Wilfred "Sonny" Taylor Memorial Award

*Melissa L. Miller, Geneva*

Shirley Vargason Memorial Award

*Lisa L. Kimak, Elbridge*

Herbert P. Ward Memorial Award

*Johanna K. Dalton, Auburn*

Joan Post Worden Memorial Scholarship

*Leslie A. Martino, Elbridge*

*Laura E. Ritchie, Hannibal*



## Moving Up Ceremony for Nursing Students

Each year nursing students participate in a "Moving Up Ceremony" for returning students. The ceremony celebrates the success of completing the first half of the nursing program. Student excellence is also recognized and 15 scholarships were awarded.

### Award Recipients:

Alfieri and McColgin Nursing Excellence Scholarship

*Allison B. Peck, Auburn*

Claudine B. Babiarz Memorial Scholarship

*Benjamin C. Williams, Auburn*

Taylor Denson Health Scholarship

*Amy L. Boyes, Auburn*

Ann Drancsak Gallager Memorial Scholarship

*Samantha J. Palmer, Seneca Falls*

Maureen Mahany Scholarship

*Erin E. Reed, Auburn*

Nancy McGohan Memorial Nursing Scholarship

*Jeffrey M. DeFelice, Auburn*

Elizabeth Payne McQueeney Memorial Scholarship

*Allison B. Peck, Auburn*

*Maggie E. VeVone, Auburn*

Joseph W. and Margaret G. Pine Memorial Scholarship

*Jillian M. Emerson, Auburn*

Linda A. Rooker Nursing Scholarship

*Erin E. Reed, Auburn*

Nataline Dulles Seymour Scholarship

*Jennifer M. Volles, Syracuse*

Katie M. Succi Memorial Scholarship

*Sharon R. MacKay, Auburn*

Josephine A. Stephen Memorial Nursing Scholarship

*Rachel L. Kingston, Waterloo*

Sarah Elizabeth Thurston Nursing Scholarship

*Emery L. House, Port Byron*

Lisa A. McLoud White Memorial Scholarship

*Sarah J. Holzauer, Camillus*

Thomas J. Wiggins Sr. Memorial Award

*Joanne S. Burcroff, Port Byron*



CJ students participated in educational trips to the Auburn Prison to learn more about the prison system, duties of a correctional officer and what it takes to run the oldest continuously running prison in the US.



"Turn the State Purple" event encouraged Auburn campus students, employees and instructors to wear purple to draw awareness to Domestic Violence. The CJ Club held a cookout and various other fundraisers where they sold t-shirts, lollipops, pins, and bracelets, raising a total of \$241 for the Domestic Violence Center. The group also collected cell phones which were refurbished and assigned to victims of domestic violence.



Through a community partnership to offer positive role models to children attending the after-school program at Booker T. Washington Community Center (BTW), CJ students provided education about crime with a fun and educational event called the "Cookie Caper."



During the "Cookie Caper," "offenders" MacKenzie Tupper and CJ Club Secretary Jamie Nielsen were "apprehended" by the children.



The CJ Club holds a Hamburger/Hotdog Sale every semester to help support the Children's Advocacy Center for Sexually Abused Children of Cayuga County (CAC). The sales bring in about \$500 per academic year that goes directly to the CAC as a donation. CJ students who participated in the spring event included William Wahl, Heather Allen, Danielle Miles, Thereze Whitfield.



The "Take Back the Night Rally" is an event where community members, leaders, victims, along with program services staff state that they are "taking back the night from sexual violence." CJ students assisted in making posters, setting up and taking down, mailing reminders to local businesses, and making their voices heard at the March 2012 rally. This event is sponsored by SAVAR, the Cayuga County Sheriff's Office and the District Attorney's Office. Pictured are: Christal Bilinski, Tim Pelc, Sarah Babcock, Jim Campbell and Teri Misiaszek, both CJ Instructors & Club Advisors, along with two rally participants.



## Spartans MSAC Regular Season & Tournament Champions; Earned #6 Seed in Region III Tourney

Cayuga extended its MSAC winning streak to nine games with a convincing 91-70 victory at Spartan Hall in the Mid-State Athletic Conference semi-final. Cayuga earned the right to host the tournament by winning the regular season title and earning the #1 seed. The Spartans scored 43 bench points...including a game-high 21 points from freshman guard Scotty Bynum. Dashawn Williamson added 17 points off the bench for the Spartans. Shaquille Holley and Donald Lawes chipped in with 10 points apiece. Point guard Dakeem Herndon had five steals and helped control the tempo for Cayuga. Justin Staton was also solid off the bench for the Spartans with 9 points and 10 rebounds.

The Spartans used a 16-0 first half run and took a 10-point halftime lead into the locker room. The Panthers, who were able to cut the Spartan lead to single digits in the early part of the second half, saw their chances slip away as the Spartans pushed their lead to 20+ points during the final 10 minutes of the contest. Jailaan Kinsey and Kevin Tucker scored 17 and 15 points, respectively, for TC3.

On Sunday, Cayuga went on to win the MSAC Tournament Championship over Onondaga 93-68. The Spartans extended their winning streak to ten games, led by Scotty Bynum who had a game high 20 points. Bynum was named the tournament's Most Valuable

Player. Dashawn Williamson and Travis Bailey each added 17 points for the Spartans. Six players for the Spartans scored in double figures.

The Spartans led 51-35 at the half and came out of the locker room after halftime and went on a 15-4 run. The Lazer's never threatened after the four straight Shaquille Holley baskets which helped to build a 72-49 lead.

The Spartans represented the MSAC at the NJCAA Region III Tournament held at Jefferson CC as the region's #6 seed. The Spartans came close in notching the upset as they lost in the final seconds, 67-66, to #3 seed Mohawk Valley.

### MSAC Awards:

**TOURNAMENT MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**

— Scotty Bynum

**COACH-OF-THE-YEAR**

— Tony Borges

**1ST TEAM ALL-MSAC**

— Donald Lawes, Dashawn Williamson

**HONORABLE MENTION**

— Dakeem Herndon



**Cayuga's Scotty Bynum named tourney MVP**



**Bobby Gage**



**David Keller**



**Katie Tonzi**



**Kaylee Hamberger**



**Mackenzie Tupper**



**Maria Faiol**

## Spartans Honored as 2011-2012 NJCAA Athletes of Distinction and All-Academic Region III

The 2011-2012 season marks the 28th year the NJCAA has recognized the success of its student-athletes in the classroom. More than 1,470 NJCAA student-athletes met the requirements for individual academic honors. With minimal changes, the NJCAA academic awards program has been in place since 1983.

- NJCAA Pinnacle Award for Academic Excellence (4.00 GPA on a 4.00 scale)
- NJCAA Award for Superior Academic Achievement (3.80 to 3.99 on a 4.00 scale)
- NJCAA Award for Exemplary Academic Achievement (3.60 to 3.79 on a 4.00 scale)

### Congratulations to the following Cayuga CC Spartans recognized by the NJCAA:

- Katherine Tonzi — Superior Academic Achievement (Women's Golf—3.91 GPA)
- Mackenzie Tupper — Exemplary Academic

- Achievement (Women's Soccer — 3.71 GPA)
- Maria Faiola — Exemplary Academic
- Achievement (Women's Soccer — 3.66 GPA)

Region III recognizes student-athlete success in the classroom for any participants who have completed a minimum of 45 credits and have an overall GPA of 3.50 or better.

### Congratulations to the following Cayuga CC Spartans recognized on the 2012 NJCAA Region III Academic All-Region Team:

- Katherine Tonzi — (Women's Golf -- 3.91 GPA)
- Mackenzie Tupper — (Women's Soccer -- 3.71 GPA)
- Maria Faiola — (Women's Soccer -- 3.66 GPA)
- Kaylee Hamberger — (Women's Volleyball — 3.59 GPA)
- David Keller — (Men's Golf— 3.59 GPA)
- Robert Gage — (Men's Golf — 3.51 GPA)

## Spartan Golf Wins Mid-State Title



The Spartan golf team captured the Mid-State Athletic Conference Championship by edging Onondaga by one stroke (323-324). Cayuga took advantage of playing on its home course in hosting this year's tournament at Highland Park Golf Club in Auburn. James Cutillo was low man for the Spartans in shooting a 78. The other qualifying team scores were posted by Jake DeChick (79), Bob Gage (80) and Harrison Davenport (86). David Keller (88), Bob Dushatinski (90), Phil Tabone (92) and Steve Titus were the remaining Spartan scores. Cutillo, DeChick and Gage all earned All-MSAC honors by finishing in the top eight. Cayuga's Head Coach Kevin Muirhead was also named Coach-of-the-Year for garnering the championship. The MSAC Championship in golf was the Spartans first since 1998. David Hensberry (Broome) was the overall men's medalist by carding a 73. Cayuga's Katie Tonzi outlasted Onondaga's Kim Cordell in winning the women's side of the tournament.



## Staff and student-athletes are thrilled with announcement of new athletic fields.



# Class Notes



**A NOTE ON CLASS NOTES:** We appreciate having our alum send us their news and updates. In many cases, though, our staff enlists 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.

**Douglas H. Mason '65** and his wife Mary have become the proud grandparents of Matthew Frederick, born on March 7, 2012 weighing 8 pounds 9 ounces. He is the son of Nicole and **Frederick W. Mason '96**.

**John Walsh '65**, Auburn native and creator and host of *America's Most Wanted* was honored by the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences with the prestigious Governors Award at the 2011 Creative Arts Emmy Awards presentation held last September. The Governors Award salutes an individual, company or organization that has made a substantial impact and demonstrated the extraordinary use of television. Since debuting in 1988, AMW has helped law enforcement in the capture of more than 1500 fugitives as well as the safe return of scores of missing children. After being canceled by Fox last year, the program is now broadcast on the Lifetime cable network.

**Janet R. (DelloStritto) Graham '66** was featured in *The Citizen* this past March following a presentation at the Ward W. O'Hara Agricultural Museum's George Komer Court Yard Herb Garden. She spoke about "Seed Savers Exchange." For more information about Museum events, call 315-252-7644.

**Mitchell R. Ross '66** is a retired high school principal who now divides his time between the North Carolina coast and New York. Mitchell shares that he is "having fun with 3 grandchildren."

**Susan (Pettigrass)'66** and **Earl E. Thurston '66** announce the marriage of their daughter, Sarah Thurston, to William J. Renahan on August 26, 2011. Sarah graduated from the University of Albany and the University of Bocconi in Milan, Italy. She is employed as director of stores and e-commerce at Frette Italian Linen Co. The groom graduated from Hobart College, Albany Law School and New York University School of Law. He is employed as managing director and associate general counsel at Legg Mason, an asset management company. Following a wedding trip to France, the couple is living in Manhattan.

**Margaret "Ann" Keough '67** is retired from teaching.

**Keith Lavey '67** has recently become a grandparent to Cooper Stevens, son of Shannon and Mark Reohr. Cooper is being welcomed by siblings Tyler, Stella, Chloe, and Michael.

**Carol P. Colbert '68 & '81** shares that she is "Thankful for all those good nurses you have trained!!" Last year she spent eight weeks at Mercy Health and Rehabilitation Center, and in May she was at Auburn Community Hospital for a week.



**Michael Fahey '69** shared that he completed another trek of 1330 miles. He cycled on the Natchez Trace (an old Pilgrim trail running from Natchez, MI to Nashville, TN). The trail is 440 miles. On the first day of his trip, it rained so hard that he couldn't see and ended up cutting his journey short by 33 miles because of tornado warnings. It took him 19 days to cycle through Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, and Wisconsin to Minneapolis.

**Elizabeth J. "Betty" Grinnell Trice, CPA '70**, recipient of an ACC/CCC Alumni Award in 1996, was profiled by the Zonta Club of Auburn in its first member introduction article that appeared in *The Citizen* in July. Betty, an active longtime member of the Zonta Club and the American Society of Women Accountants, has the distinction of being the first woman CPA in Cayuga County. She retired from the accounting firm of Bowen, Lyons & Pine (formerly Bowen & Sawyer). Betty and her husband, Herbert V. Trice, celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary last October. Their family includes: daughter, Judith Andrea Trice of Auburn; son, Curtis R. Trice of Rochester; and grandchildren **Shannon E. Trice '87** and Kelly Trice Watson. Belated congratulations on your Platinum Anniversary!

**Thomas P. Gangemi '71** recently retired from Liverpool Central Schools after teaching 6th level for 33 years at Soule Road Elementary.

**Sandra M. (Gilmore) Hilliard '71** recently retired from the Cayuga County Clerk's office as a PT Account Clerk.

**Robert L. '72** and **Susan K. (Fuller) Gage '72** became grandparents to Harper Meridith Meislahn on May 2, 2012. The 8 pound 10 ounce girl was born to their daughter Katie and her husband Christopher.

**Greg A. Maxwell '72**, comptroller for the Towns of Van Buren and Salina, has been elected president of the New York State Government Finance Officers' Association Inc. for 2012-13. Maxwell has been a member of the association since 1999. He was also comptroller for the Town of Geddes and treasurer for East Syracuse.

**Jan (Tomandl) Bullard '73** and her husband William are the proud grandparents of Elizabeth Marie Bullard. Their son Eric W. and daughter-in-law Stella Ann (Gratien) Bullard became parents on December 26, 2011. Elizabeth was 7 pounds 12 ounces and 20 inches long.



**Marilyn H. Higgins '73** is the Vice President of Community Engagement and Economic Development at Syracuse University. She has been overseeing the Connective Corridor (a bus route, bike path and public art trail) for seven years. Higgins,

along with SU Chancellor Nancy Cantor, conceived the idea eight years ago, while Marilyn worked at National Grid. The Corridor is scheduled to be completed in 2014.

**David G. Lewis '73** is coordinator of the Youth Job Training Program at the UAA (University of Alaska Anchorage) Kachemak Bay Campus. David also sits on the City Council in the coastal community of Homer, AK. His wife is employed with the Kenai Peninsula School District.

**Stephen A. Loder '73** has sold more than 70,000 venison cookbooks to date. In March a workshop was held in Waterloo which provided some of Loder's venison recipes. According to an article in the *Finger Lakes Times*, his book was featured in the fall 2011 *New Pioneer* magazine. Steve's books are available at Wegmans, Barnes & Noble, Bass Pro Shops, Cabela's and online at stackpolebooks.com and amazon.com.

**Darcy H. (Lipe) Sisto '73** has become the proud grandmother of Eva Sisto, daughter of Kelly and Michael Kubeja. Eva was born March 24, 2012 and weighed 9 pounds 7 ounces.

**Neil W. Sjoblom '73** has his own photography studio "Photography by Sjoblom" located in downtown Geneva, NY.



**Joanne M. Cofrancesco '74** received the 2012 Bruce Dearing Poetry Award in the Faculty/Employee Poetry category from the Center for Bioethics and Humanities, SUNY Upstate Medical Center, which "celebrates the connections between the healing sciences and creative arts." 'Joan' works for the open heart unit at the medical center, which she says inspires her medical poetry. Pictured with Joan are SUNY Upstate's former president, Dr. Gregory Eastwood (left), and current president, Dr. David Smith (right).

**Ronayne Herbert, RNP, MS '74** has worked as an Oncology Nurse for 20 years. She received her B.S. from SUNY Oswego and M.S. in Nursing with license as a Registered Nurse and certification as a Family Nurse Practitioner from Pace University. She was certified as an Oncology Nurse by the Oncology Nursing Society. Ronayne was featured in the "Living Well" section of *The Citizen* in April, where she shared her thoughts about her career.

**Donald Semple '74** "Just had #74 B day. That's my score on the golf course."

**Jeffrey A. Smith '75** along with Lynn M. LeFevre announce the engagement of their daughter, Tasha Marie LeFevre, to Anthony D. Villani. Tasha graduated from Buffalo State College and is employed as an assistant branch manager for First Niagara Bank. Her fiancé also graduated from Buffalo State College and is the owner of Villani's Lawn and Landscape LLC and Villani's Equipment. A June 2013 wedding is planned.

**Susan E. (Cowan) Wolniak '75** and her husband Bruce are the proud grandparents of Kyleigh Ann, daughter of Christina Rowe and Stephen Wolniak. She was born May 16, 2012 and weighed 8 pounds 6.6 ounces.

**Mark Izzo '75**, along with his wife announced the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Morgan, to George Salloum. Ms. Izzo is a graduate of St. John Fisher College and earned a master's degree from Nazareth College. She is employed as an instructor of Intensive English at the University of Dayton. Mr. Salloum is a graduate of SUNY Geneseo and Wright State Boonshoft School of Medicine. He is a resident physician in Kettering, OH, and a captain in the Air Force. A July 7, 2012 wedding was planned.



**Robert L. and Kathryn A. (Capacci) Peterson '75** have been married for 36 years and have two daughters: **Rebecca K. Peterson '01** (see separate class note), and Marie Peterson. Robert works as a Regional Account Manager for C&S Grocers, which is the lead supply chain company in the food industry today—and the largest wholesale grocery supply company in the U.S. Kathryn works as the Republican Deputy Election Commissioner of Seneca County. Daughter Rebecca works for the Seneca County Human Services Department and daughter Marie is a second grade teacher with the Syracuse City School District.

**Gregory E. Horbal '76** and his wife Beth announce the engagement of their son Justin to Kathleen Elizabeth Plis, daughter of Jim and Karen Plis of Auburn. Kathleen graduated from Buffalo State College and CUNY Brooklyn College with a master's degree in students with disabilities. She



is employed by Cortland Enlarged City School District. Justin graduated from SUNY Oswego and is employed by Owasco Beverage. An April 2013 wedding is planned.

**David '76** and **Catherine (Casper) Sperduti '78** are grandparents to Natalie Patricia born May 22, 2012. She is the daughter of Rachel and Mike Sperduti.

**Michael K. Trapani '76** is a Rotarian with the Auburn Rotary Club. He recently assisted in the induction of fellow alumni **Michael E. Cuddy '78** into the Rotary Club.



**Cheryl A. Foster, RN '77** was honored during National Nurses Week (May 6-12, 2012). The Champions of Care program, created at Auburn Community Hospital, provides patients and their families the opportunity to make donations while paying tribute to their caregiver(s). Cheryl received a certificate, pin and lanyard during the recognition program.

**David J. Homick '77** was recognized by the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce at the 2012 Business Leader Awards Luncheon held on May 25. His firm, Website Solutions of CNY, won the *Small Business of the Year (2-5 Years)* category. Locally owned and operated, the web design firm focuses primarily on small to medium size businesses in the CNY area. David has been working with computers for over 30 years and with web development technologies for the past 10. As a full service web development company, they provide web site design and development, web hosting and domain services, content management, training and consulting services. The company currently manages sites for the city of Auburn and the village of Union Springs, and maintains a client list of over 50 businesses and organizations. Homick has designed more than 50 sites for schools and municipalities in New York, New England and Florida. The Auburn native prides himself in providing superb customer service; referrals account for a significant portion of his local business.

**Stephen M. Montgomery '77** retired from the Auburn Enlarged City School District as a school resource officer (SRO) after 12 years. Montgomery was with the Auburn Police Department for 31 years.

**Michael E. Cuddy '78**, featured in our spring 2012 edition of *The Spartan*, was inducted into the Auburn Rotary Club. Mike has over 25 years of experience in the financial planning field. He is First Vice-President/Financial Advisor at the Auburn office of Pinnacle Investments, LLC.



**Susan M. (Tonzi) '78** and **Byron Dungey '81** are proud grandparents to Lyra Rose, born May 15, 2012 weighing 7 pounds 5 ounces. She is the daughter of Kristen Dungey and William Gleason.

**Linda A. (Gleason) Montross '78** and her husband Dennis have become the grandparents of Madelyn Ann. The daughter of Laura and **Michael Montross '05**, she was born on March 27, 2012 and weighed 9 pounds 5 ounces. Madelyn is coming home to sister Isabella.

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**Gregory W. '79** and **Kathy J. (Lilly) Gallinger '89** received the *Small Business of the Year (6-14 Years)* award for their business, Lilly Plumbing & Heating, at the 2012 Business Leader Awards Luncheon held by the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce on May 25. Greg, a licensed master plumber, operates the small family-owned business. He began working for Koy Lilly, Kathy's father, in 1983; in 2005, Kathy purchased the business. Greg offers 29 years of experience in the plumbing and heating fields and employs his sons, Gregory and Brian, as journeyman plumbers, along with his daughter-in-law Kristen in the office. Lilly Plumbing & Heating supports the local community by donating services and funds to non-profit organizations.



**William P. Techman '81** and his wife Cathy have become grandparents to Brennan Michael, born April 9, 2012. The 9 pound boy is the son of Kristie (Techman) and Mark Quill.

**William P. Techman '81** and his wife Cathy announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca J. Quill, to Mac Neale. Rebecca is a graduate of Monroe Community College and is employed at Corporate Verizon Wireless. Her fiancé graduated from Monroe Community College and is employed by Endries Corporation. An August 2013 wedding is planned.



**Gloria M. (Stootman) Wristen '81** has been elected treasurer of the Zonta Club of Auburn effective June 1.

**Kathi S. (O'Hara) Finizio '82** and her husband Mark are the proud grandparents of Bailey Claire, born January 5, 2012 and weighing 8 pounds 3 ounces. Alicia Barski and Michael Finizio are the happy parents.



**Gail M. (Koon) Kinsella, CPA '83**, a partner in the Audit Practice Group of Testone, Marshall & Discenza, LLP in Syracuse, has officially assumed her position as President of the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants. Also, this past March Gail was named to "The 100 Who Inspire Girls to Lead

and Achieve" list by the Girl Scouts of NYPenn Pathways based on her business accomplishments, civic contributions and leadership in CNY. She is married to **Thomas P. Kinsella '81** and they have a 15-year-old son, Tommy. (Gail was profiled in the Spring/Summer 2012 newsletter under Accounting/Business Alumni.)

**Daniel J. Barski '84** and his wife Barbara announce the marriage of their son, David E. Barski, to Erinn M. Mangan on September 24, 2011. David is employed by Fox Honda and his bride is employed by Bradley Davidson, DDS. Following a wedding trip to St. Lucia, the couple is living in Auburn, NY.

**Susan K. Rose '84** is a Licensed Massage Therapist with locations at Finger Lakes Chiropractic in Moravia and the Head West Salon in Auburn.



**John C. Rossi Jr. '84** received a B.A. in Criminal Justice from SUNY Brockport and has served the last 25 years with the Oswego State University

Police. He currently holds the rank of Assistant Chief, overseeing the Patrol, Investigations, and Communications Divisions with a force of 21 police officers and 7 civilian employees.



**Gary A. '86** and **Kathryn Blowers '98** have become the proud grandparents of Shea Alexander, born to their son, **Jeremy G. Blowers '93** and his wife Suzanne.

**Susan M. (McHale) Dwyer '87** is now a "proud grandma." Her first grandchild is a girl, Alia Irene Reid, who was born in January 2012. The family is expecting another child this October. Susan is the Cayuga County Clerk; her husband works for the City of Auburn.

**Dr. Michael R. Jorolemon '89** received the *Physician of Excellence Award* from the CNY Regional EMS Council. This prestigious award recognizes outstanding EMS medical professionals in a five-county region. The Council also honored the EMS research team Jorolemon leads with the *Michael Jastremski, MD Award of Excellence in EMS*. A nomination for the *NYS Physician of Excellence Award* topped off his summer honors. Dr. Jorolemon attended medical school at the University of New England and conducted his residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. He is the senior quality officer of the Department of Emergency Medicine at Syracuse's Crouse Hospital. In addition, he retains his EMT and paramedic certifications and is medical director and member of the Owasco Volunteer Fire Department and associate medical director and EMS physician for the Jordan EMS and Fire Department. Prior to attending medical school, Dr. Jorolemon taught engineering, physics, and electronics at CCC.

**Timothy A. LeFevre '93** announces the engagement of his daughter, Tasha Marie, to Anthony D. Villani. The wedding is planned for June 2013. The couple graduated from Buffalo State College. Tasha is employed as an assistant branch manager for First Niagara Bank; Anthony is the owner of Villani's Lawn and Landscape LLC and Villani's Equipment.



**Jeremy G. Blowers, PhD, LMHC, NCC, CAS, CGAS '93** and his wife Suzanne have become the proud parents of Shea Alexander, born March 3, 2012 and weighing 7 pounds 11 ounces. Jeremy is the son of **Gary A. '86** and **Kathryn Blowers '98**.



**Cheryl A. (Clifton) LaMay '94** and her husband David have become the proud grandparents of Spencer Roman. Born March 12, 2012 weighing 6 pounds 11 ounces, he is the son of Rachel and Mike LaMay.

**Kelly A. (Delfavero) Logue '95** opened *BKL Technology Services* this past June in Elbridge, NY, along with her husband and business manager, **Brent R. Logue '95**. BKL's service covers the life cycle of the typical device and is aimed at helping people who want to learn to get the most out of a new gadget. Classes will be offered for individual training in smartphones, tablets and computers.

**Annette M. (Car) Holm '97** and her husband Michael have become the proud grandparents of Emilee Elizabeth, born February 19, 2012 weighing 7 pounds 10.7 ounces. The little girl is the daughter of Chelsea Putman and Nicholas Holm.

**Nancy S. (Hurd) Peckham '97** and her husband Edward became grandparents to a grandson, Douglas Edward, on May 22, 2012. Parents are Sara and Justin White; sibling is Emmi Lou.

**Lorissa G. (Shaw) Plis '97** is a member of Syracuse Crouse Hospital's EMS research team, led by **Dr. Michael Jorolemon '89** that recently received the *Michael Jastremski, MD Award of Excellence in EMS* at the CNY Regional EMS Council's award banquet.



**Jason R. Leszczynski '98** and his wife Sarah became parents to Jarek Jay on January 19, 2012. He is being welcomed by sibling Mariska.

**Kimberly S. Netti '98** and Jermaine Jones have become the proud parents of daughter, Raylee Cynthia, born September 29, 2011 weighing 6 pounds 8 ounces.

**Gregory Stowell '98** and his wife Rachel had a baby girl, Evalyn "Eva" Rose, on May 31, 2012. She was 6 pounds 10 ounces.

**Christine C. (Remaley) Alexander '00** has been elected Corresponding Secretary for the Zonta Club of Auburn beginning June 1, 2012.



**Georginne A. (Barbera) Barski '00** and her husband Stephen have become the proud grandparents of Bailey Claire, born January 5, 2012 to their daughter Alicia and her husband, Michael Finizio.

**Brian J. Taylor '00** was recently promoted to Property Manager of the Hobbit Hollow Farm, located on the northwest side of Skaneateles Lake. He has been with the Farm for 10 years.

**Sasha I. Dwyer '01** and Ian Reid are the proud parents of a daughter, Alia Irene, born January 8, 2012. Sasha is the daughter of **Susan (McHale) Dwyer '87**.

**Rebecca K. Peterson '01** earned her B.A. at Morrisville State College. She works as the Confidential Secretary to the Commissioner at the Seneca County Division of Human Services.

**Lisa L. (Stone) Condes '02** was once again featured in the "Lake Life - Health" section of *The Citizen* prior to the start of another 12-week Weight Loss Challenge course that she and her husband, Steve, lead. The course is designed to teach people how to develop and maintain positive attitudes toward healthy eating habits and exercise activities. The participants' successful weight loss is a primary reason why the couple continues to offer this course.



**Gerry Lee Updyke '02** married Amy Lynn Boyes on June 17, 2012. The couple took a wedding trip to Niagara Falls and now lives in Auburn, NY.



**Emily Wilson, RN '02** was honored during National Nurses Week (May 6-12, 2012). The Champions of Care program, created at Auburn Community Hospital, provides patients and their families the opportunity to make donations while paying tribute to their caregiver(s). Emily received a certificate, pin and lanyard during the recognition program.

**Jeffrey M. DeFelice '03** married Ashley Rae Kilmer on May 28, 2011. Jeff is 'once again' attending CCC and is currently in the nursing program. His bride is a graduate of Le Moyne College and Walden University. She is employed with BOCES as a special education teacher.

**Amanda Marcella Stankus '03** is engaged to Jamie Michael Walter. Amanda graduated from Wells College and Oklahoma City University of Law and is employed as an attorney in Auburn. Her fiancé is employed as a master automotive technician at Fox Honda. An August 2012 wedding was planned.

**Dawn L. Stoddard '04** is engaged to Michael E. Foster. Dawn graduated from SUNY Oswego with a B.A. in business administration and from Pfeiffer University with her M.A. in business administration. She is employed as the Wellness and Incident Manager for Kellogg's. Her fiancé is a graduate of the University of Minnesota with a B.A. in finance/ risk management and Wake Forest University with a M.A. in business administration. He is employed as a senior business consultant for Liberty Mutual. A May 2013 wedding is planned.



**Nicole M. Voudren '04** is engaged to **Michael P. Galbally '07**. Nicole is employed in private duty health care and her fiancé is a business account executive for the San Antonio Spurs. Their wedding was August 12, 2012.

**James H. Forsythe '05** is CCC's new Enterprise Systems Integrator. Previously a web systems administrator for Practice Resources LLC in Syracuse, he has eight years of experience in information systems management. He has been hired to help bring together the multiple information systems CCC uses into a single sign-on system. James earned his bachelor's degree in management of information systems from Le Moyne College in 2008. *Welcome!*

**Vincent G. Gleason '05** together with Auburn Chiropractor **Dr. Brian F. Landers '93** started a new business "CNY Body" recently. This joint venture combines nutritional supplements and fitness consultation for area residents. For more information, visit [www.cnybody.com](http://www.cnybody.com). Gleason is the executive director of TheRun4Life.org.

**Crystal Ann Morgan '05** is engaged to Daniel Jacob Young. Daniel is a graduate of SUNY Cobleskill and is employed by Patterson Farms. A July 28 wedding was planned.

**Karen M. (Wilzinski) Polcovich '05** and her husband Ron have become the proud grandparents of Michael James. Christina Polcovich and Zachary Whiting's son was born on March 10, 2012 and weighed 8 pounds 10 ounces.

**Jeffrey Wolford '05** is engaged to **Kathryn Elizabeth Vuillemot '06**, daughter of Peter and **Sandra Vuillemot '95**. Kathryn is employed as a registered nurse at Upstate University Hospital and Jeffrey is employed at Wegmans.

**Megan N. (Fritsch) Henderson '06** and her husband Brian became the proud parents of a son, Liam Mark, on November 2, 2011. He will be coming home to his brother Collin.

**Susan E. (VanHout) House '06 & '08** and Kevin Campbell had a daughter, Alison Sue, on February 14, 2012. Susan's mother, the late **Susan M. Krenzer '82**, and David Campbell are the grandparents.

**Kenneth L. Isgar '06 & '10** is currently attending Empire State College where he is finishing up his M.B.A., as well as a Graduate Certificate in Human Resources. He is a certified State Education Department School Bus Driver Instructor and a DMV Driving Examiner. In the fall of 2013, Isgar's daughter will be graduating from Port Byron's Dana West High School and is planning to attend CCC, and eventually ESF. She is an avid reader/writer and hopes to work on the college newspaper.

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**Ann Marie Stevens '06** became engaged to Dustin James Bates. Ann graduated from SUNY Cortland with a B.A. in early childhood/childhood education and a M.A. in literacy. She is employed by Ithaca Montessori School and at the King Ferry



Veterinary Clinic run by Arthur M. Underwood, DVM. Her fiancé is employed by Cargill Deicing Technologies in Lansing. An August 11, 2012 wedding was planned.

**Amy L. Miles '07** and Donald Hamilton have a new baby boy, Tristyn Miles, born June 19, 2012. He will be going home to siblings, Donnie Jr., Maddison, and Cheyanne.



**Joseph D. Pinckney '07**, as posted on our Facebook page in February, has recently signed with StarTune Records in Nashville as a professional songwriter. His first single,

"If I Ever Get To Heaven," came out on iTunes and Amazon on February 15. In April, Joe told us that his single broke the all-time record for StarTune records for the most consecutive weeks at #1. In addition to song writing, Joe writes and performs poetry. He was also excited to share that he received offers from several professional writer groups from all over the country. After much discussion and soul searching, Joe has decided to go with the Hampton Roads Writer's Association in Virginia Beach. His follow-up single "Fade To Grey" was set for release to iTunes and Amazon in June. Joe has promised to "definitely keep in touch along the roads of my new journey."

**"Flyin" Bryan Howland '08** is still racing his No. 51 Sprint car. Howland is a four-time Patriot Sprint group champion and has 20 feature race wins. He is the second winningest driver in tour history. Father and former Oswego Speedway racer, **John J. Howland '82**, is the car's owner, crew chief and the reason the family got into racing, according to *The Citizen*.

**Danielle Renee Deacy '09** is engaged to Matthew Raymond O'Connor. Danielle is employed at Jadak, LLC in Syracuse. Her fiancé received his bachelor's degree in accounting at Le Moyne College and is employed at WCNY-TV as a staff accountant. A July 27, 2013 wedding is planned.



**Amanda R. Carder '10** married Joseph Crawford Jr. on May 26, 2012. The bride is employed at Early Childhood Center and the groom is employed with E. John Gavras Center. Following a honeymoon to the Bahamas, the couple will be living in Auburn, NY.

**Lawrence E. Smith III '10** became engaged to Kaleigh S. Brookins. Lawrence is the son of **Lawrence E. Smith Jr. '79** and Ms. Linda Hirsch and is currently employed at Rapid Response Monitoring. His fiancée graduated from Mohawk Valley Community College and is a registered nurse in the NICU at Crouse Hospital. A September 2012 wedding is planned.

**Melissa T. Holmes '11** is engaged to Kevin P. McCormick. She is employed as a registered nurse at Upstate University Hospital and her fiancé is an RIT graduate employed as a project engineer at Impact Technologies in Rochester, NY. A fall 2013 wedding is planned.



## GOLDEN SPARTAN



Jackie in 1958



Jackie in 2012

days, which was somewhat reminiscent of an "I Love Lucy" episode. In 1955 she participated in the American Field Service Exchange Student Program and traveled to West Germany for the life-changing experience. When the freighter she was to board failed inspection and was not allowed docking in New York, she had to travel to Quebec City. With the ship already steaming down the St. Lawrence River, the company ferried her out by tug boat, dropped a rope ladder for her to climb, and then hoisted her luggage. Baby Boomers will recall that in those days one "dressed to travel," and there she was making the climb in high heels and a skirt. An amusing tale now, but imagine the fortitude displayed by that high school student—a trait that

**Jaquelyn M. "Jackie" O'Hara Komanecky '58**, the first female Golden Spartan to share her story, was born and raised in Cayuga County. Her parents, the late Ward and Ruth O'Hara, were instrumental in Cayuga County's creating an Agricultural Museum at Emerson Park, and her spouse, the late William Komanecky, was CCC's much loved and well-esteemed math/science professor and division chair for almost 40 years.

To gain an insight of her early ambitions, we'd like to share an anecdote from Jackie's high school

would serve Jackie well throughout life.

Upon her enrollment in ACC, she was a typical 1950's co-ed, one with aspirations of continuing her education at the Cornell School of Industrial Relations. Eager to experience all the new college had to offer, she was on the Student Council, was Freshman Class Secretary, Sophomore Class President, worked on the Newspaper Staff, was a Cheerleader, and joined the Protocol and Harlequin Clubs. Academically, she maintained Honor and Dean's List status.

**William Komanecky '58** and Jackie met while in a Harlequin production of "George Washington Slept Here." Jackie shared that initially her parents were concerned about her dating this "older" Navy Vet; but, like everyone else, they learned what a great guy he was. The basketball player proposed to the cheerleader and following graduation, they were married.

Jackie postponed her further education to be a homemaker and raise a family. By the mid-1960's their family had grown to include three children. Bill secured a place in the annals of the college's history when he became the first ACC graduate to join the teaching faculty. During this time, Jackie was active in her community. She was on the Human Development Committee at St. Joseph's Church in Cayuga, the Recreation Commission, the PTO and coached girls softball.

Jackie received a call from the Union Springs High School Principal to see if she would be interested in a teacher's aide position. She had never intended to become a teacher but the idea seemed rather practical at the time, especially with Bill being a college professor. The arrangement worked well for their family. Her teaching career became a profession she loved.

When their youngest child started kindergarten, Jackie obtained her B.S. degree through Empire State College and then her M.A. as Reading Specialist at Elmira College. She taught at Union Springs High School for the next 29 years, retiring in 1999. Realizing that she was not ready for retirement, Jackie became a guidance counselor at Tyburn Academy in

Auburn for the next ten years—a position she cherished.

After 49 years of marriage, Bill died unexpectedly in 2007. In 2008 family and friends established the William Komanecky Memorial Science Award at CCC which is given at commencement to a sciences or nursing graduate who is pursuing a B.S. degree.

Following Bill's passing, Jackie has kept busy maintaining her father's legacy at the Agricultural Museum which now bears his name. [Editor's note: *Ward O'Hara was a local author, raconteur, and collector of vintage farm equipment. See <http://cayuganet.org/agmuseum>.*] Jackie is the museum's education coordinator and secretary of the Board of Commissioners and helps organize between 40-50 volunteers. She proudly shares that this past spring over 650 students participated in its various programs. Jackie also finds time to serve on the Cayuga County Tourism Board, the Village of Cayuga Planning Board, and is vice president of the Board of Managers of the Faatz-Croft Home in Auburn.

Jackie and Bill raised three children, all of whom graduated from college and now have professional careers: **Valerie Komanecky Young '78**, a human resources VP; Bradley, an immigration attorney; and Melissa, a bank executive recruiter. Daughter Valerie gifted them with two grandchildren, Joshua and Emily Bartran.

Reminiscing about the James Street campus, Jackie fondly recalls the family-like atmosphere and the common room called "The Smoker" where everyone gathered. After the move to the "new" Franklin Street campus, she and Mary Skinner (wife of the college president) would encourage faculty and family to attend the basketball games to try to "intimidate the opposing team."

Though she didn't realize it at the time, she now observes that students who applied themselves at ACC did very well when they went on to a four-year school. A staunch advocate for CCC, she has no qualms in taking students to task when she hears them say they're "just going to CCC." She tells them "the opportunity is there" and readily shares her dad's best and timeless advice: "There isn't anything you can't do."

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# Passings



**John McEndy '55** died May 18, 2012 in Sonoma, CA. John attended Syracuse University but joined the Army where he served as a coded electronic communications technician. He continued his education at the University of Michigan where he earned a bachelor's degree. John worked as a computer processing operator for a major Michigan bank at night while attending college. After graduation, he worked as a writer in communications with the Detroit Ad Club and later moved to San Francisco where he joined the advertising sales team at *Sunset Magazine*. After 15 years with *Sunset*, he began his own company, McEndy Advertising. John was a long-standing member of the San Francisco Milline Club and served as its president. McEndy was active in Big Brothers for more than 10 years and served as a mentor in the Stand By Me Mentoring Alliance program. He was also an active member of the Bohemian Club, a widely celebrated story and joke-teller, and a periodic newspaper columnist who critiqued Sonoma and Napa valley restaurants. John is survived by his first cousins, Judy McEndy Lynch; Terry Shugrue; John King; and Mardie Kay Jim.

**Vito Michael Pastore '58** passed away April 19, 2012. He served his country as part of the Voice of America in the Coast Guard in 1954. Vito graduated from Syracuse University and was Class Marshal of the Syracuse Law School, Class of 1962. Pastore paid his way through law school by working in the masonry and plaster trades, learning from his father. Vito was admitted to the State of New York Bar in 1963. He practiced law in Auburn for many years. In 1978 he moved with his family to Marco Island, FL, where he began working in the masonry and plaster trades. He is survived by his beloved wife of 54 years, Joyce (Maywalt) Pastore; his three loving daughters, Mary Kathryn (Terence) Cryan, Jeanine Settembre Pastore (William Kirk), Pietra (David) Sylvester; along with four grandchildren.

**Rocco Tabone '61** passed away April 20, 2012. He enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in 1961 and was honorably discharged in 1965. Rocco was employed for 30 years by NYSEG before retiring in 1995. Following his retirement, Rocco and his late wife Dianne enjoyed winters in Florida and summers on the St. Lawrence River in the Thousand Islands. Tabone enjoyed boating, bowling, golfing, playing cards and lunch with friends. He was a member of the American Legion and the Walton Lions Club. Surviving is a son, David (Rosemary) Tabone; a daughter Carrie (Jack) Reome; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

**William A. Biata Sr. '64** died March 29, 2012. His athletic ability afforded him an opportunity to play minor league baseball for a time with the Phillies. He remained involved with athletics throughout his life, from coaching his sons in various capacities, following his grandchildren's sports activities, and supporting local youth sports programs. Bill's passion for history was readily evident through the books he read and movies he watched. He retired from Cornell University's Computer Information Technology Department after 39 years. Bill is survived by his wife of 47 years, Bonnie Biata; their sons, William (Linda) Biata, Jr. and their children Dori and Alanna; and Kevin (Marcie) Biata and their children, Taylor, Carter and Lincoln.

**Harold William "Bill" Bennett '65** passed away June 26, 2012. He graduated from Western Michigan University and had served in the U.S. Naval Reserves for four years. He retired as a psychiatric social worker with the State of New York at Willard Psychiatric Center. He also owned and trained thoroughbred race horses. Surviving are his wife of 45 years, Jean (Downing) Bennett; their children, Billie Vazquez (Rob Marek), Lynn Bennett (Chuck DuBrule), Colleen (Mike) Tortora; along with eight grandchildren and one great-grandson.

**John Giardina '67** died on August 5, 2012. He was a lifelong resident of the town of Montezuma, where he owned and operated his family farm for

many years. He was a graduate of Empire State College. John served as town justice for the town of Montezuma for eight years and served as supervisor for the town of Montezuma for 20 years. He was a member of the Montezuma Democratic Committee, and acted as chairman. John was a lifelong member and former treasurer of the Montezuma Volunteer Fire Department. He was a former mail carrier for the Cayuga Post Office and member of many farm boards over the years. He is survived by his wife, Anne Long Giardina; two daughters, Mary Elizabeth (Mark Kroetsch), and Annemarie Rollins; two grandchildren, Andrew and Peter Kroetsch.

**Robert E. Caza '70** passed away January 26, 2012. He graduated from Excelsior (Regents) College in 1977. After service in the U.S. Air Force, Bob was employed by the New York State Department of Health, retiring in 2005. He served on the Rensselaer City School District Board of Education and Boards of Directors of both the Rensselaer Pop Warner and Capital District Pop Warner Football Federations, retiring in 2010. Bob was a member of the Rensselaer Little League and the Leonardo da Vinci Lodge. He spent the last few months helping out at the John McKenna Military Courtesy Room, Albany International Airport. He was the recipient of the 2004 Distinguished Service Award in recognition of service to youth in the City of Rensselaer. He is survived by his son Jason; his mother; along with numerous siblings.

**Suzanne E. (Main) Crolick '70** passed away July 20, 2012. She graduated from Buffalo State University in 1972 and taught school in the Auburn School District. She loved art and all forms of crafts. Her friendly and humorous nature will be missed by her friends and family. She is survived by her long-time loving companion, Bruce C. Baker; mother, Gladys Crolick; son, Joshua (Christine) Main; daughter, Rebecca Wasilenko; and three grandchildren.

**Thomas "Tom" J. Caci '72** passed away August 3, 2012. Following graduation from ACC, Tom enlisted in the U.S. Air Force where he was trained in radio and television broadcasting and assisted in making training films. While deployed in Japan, he became a broadcaster for the Armed Forces Radio and was announcer for sumo wrestling matches at the English Broadcasting Company of Japan. After being honorably discharged, Tom returned to Auburn and became a radio personality for WMBO radio where he was news and sports broadcaster. He was also employed by NYSEG, WAUB Radio, where he had his own sports talk radio show, and retired from the U.S. Postal Service. An avid sports fan, Tom coached his sons' baseball, Sandlot and Little League teams. He is survived by sons, Thomas J. II, David (Callie), and Matthew (Marlena); three granddaughters; the mother of his children, Kathleen Caci; his father, Philip Caci; three sisters and a brother; aunts, uncles, nephews, nieces, and cousins. Tom was predeceased by his mother, Yola Colella Caci.

**James R. Bizzari '73** passed away February 13, 2012. He had worked in Brooklyn as an IRS auditor for 10 years and then was employed in the Auburn area as an accountant for several firms. James enjoyed his Harley motorcycle, fishing, photography, and anything to do with computers and technology. Most of all, he was a loving husband and adored his children and grandchild. He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Janice; his daughters, Angela and Chelsea Bizzari; brothers, John Bizzari Jr., Joseph Lasagna and Raymond Bizzari; sisters, Phyllis Brown and Mary Ellen Casper; grandson, Aiden Currier; and several nieces and nephews, aunts and uncles.

**John T. 'Butch' Delaney '73** died May 18, 2012. He proudly served with the Marine Corps in World War II and was recalled to service for the Korean War. "Butch" began a career with the Auburn Fire Department in 1948. He was appointed Assistant Fire Chief in 1974 and retired following 36 years of service in 1984. Butch was an avid NASCAR

fan. He was a proud supporter of the World War II memorial, a member of the VFW Post 1975, the Knights of Columbus, and the Ancient Order of Hibernians. John was one of the founding members of the Auburn Firefighters Retirees Association. He is survived by his four daughters, Patricia (Ronald) Hess, Teresa (Thomas) Ganey, Sharon Delaney, and Elizabeth (Robert) Trufant; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. John was predeceased by his wife, Margaret "Peg" Friedel Delaney.

**Beverly J. (Steele) Hassler '75** died February 21, 2012. Following high school, she was employed for about 10 years as a medical secretary. Beverly married George Hassler in 1957 and they recently celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary. She had been employed with F. P. Riester, Inc. from the late 1970's through the early 1980's. She enjoyed volunteer work and over the years she was active in the League of Women Voters, Schweinfurth Memorial Art Center, Auburn Service League, Town of Fleming Election Inspector, and Board of Managers at the Faatz-Crofut Home for the Elderly. Beverly was a lifelong member of the First Presbyterian Church of Auburn, where she was very active. She also served two terms for the Committee of Ministry at the Syracuse Presbytery. She enjoyed many hobbies including doll collecting and some overseas travel. Beverly is survived by her husband George; son, Kurt (Beth); and twin grandchildren.

**Evelyn S. (Stewart) Schwartz '76** passed away peacefully April 8, 2012. Employed at CCC for over 17 years, Evelyn served as the part-time secretary to the faculty of the Business Department until 1992. She also worked as a secretary at Trinity United Methodist Church. Evelyn was predeceased by her husband, Ralph Schwartz in 1991. She is survived by two sons, Craig (Linda) Schwartz and Henry W. Schwartz; three daughters, Pat Schwartz (Steve Kubarek), Lyn Goodness of California, and Audrey Schwartz (Jack Mahoney) of Albany; along with six grandchildren.

**Joan (Brong) Andrews '77** passed away May 4, 2012. She was the valedictorian of Genoa High School Class of 1964 with a Regents scholarship. Joan attended SUNY Cortland and graduated magna cum laude from ACC. She began her career at Mercy Health & Rehabilitation Center in the business office in 1971 and was employed there until her recent illness. She was predeceased by her husband, Richard Lee Andrews. Surviving is a son, Charles Lee Andrews. Joan was one of the founding members of the Sulky Track Club in Moravia. She was an avid animal lover.

**Michelle R. (Famularo) Wentworth '77** died June 7, 2012. She was born in Auburn, the daughter of the late Angelo "Andy" and Ruth Famularo. Michelle is survived by her husband, Timothy Wentworth; her children, Tony (Laura) Moscatelli, and Michelle Moscatelli; and three grandchildren.

**Barbara A. Zibbon '80** passed away February 8, 2012. She graduated from RIT with a B.A. in Computer Science and Technology. Barbara had been employed by Orlando Sentinel as a Senior Production Systems Analyst. She is survived by her husband Michael; a daughter Laura; a brother, Mark (Dianne); and her beloved bunny, bug. "Barbara was a wonderful quirky soul who will be dearly missed by her family, friends and all those who shared in the pleasure of her infectious laugh. She'll especially be remembered for her deep love and caring of the special people in her life."

**Ray Keith Barnes '82** died April 22, 2012. He attained his bachelor's in American Studies from SU and was employed at the Center for Community Alternatives as a case manager. He also worked diligently as an advocate for the Alternative to Violence Program, giving presentations and facilitating workshops in Upstate New York, Albany and the New York City area. Ray was generously kind to anyone he met. He was a member of the Poplar

Ridge Friends Meeting (Quakers). In addition to his wife Lorraine, he is survived by a daughter Roxie.

**Carroll R. 'Sonny' Crane '83** died April 22, 2012. He served in the U.S. Navy. Surviving are his wife, Mary Ann Holbrook Crane; his children, Teresa and Daniel Crane, Wanda Sweet, Kim Oberlander, Diane Crandall, Elizabeth Silverstein, Tammy Kohanski, Billie Jo Helton and Robbie Cuddy; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by a daughter, Valerie Ware and a grandson, Joshua Ware.

**Timothy T. Driscoll '85** died May 11, 2012. He graduated from Le Moyne College and the University of Akron Law School. He was a member of the New York State Bar Association. In 1978 Tim became the youngest Boy Scout to attain the achievement of the Eagle Scout. While residing in Auburn, he was a communicant of St. Mary's Church where he was an altar server. Tim worked in Akron, OH, Buffalo, NY, Chesley, Ontario and Toronto, Canada. He leaves many dear and close friends. Tim enjoyed traveling, boating, motorcycles and the constant companionship of his two best friends, "Maggie" and "Murphy." In addition to his parents, Tim is survived by his sister, Michele Driscoll; his special twin nephews; as well as aunts, uncles and many cousins.

**Michael J. Murray '85** died April 29, 2012. He had worked as a sales representative for Sysco and US Foods and most recently for Gumdrops Books. He was a member of St. Mary's of the Lake Church and Skaneateles Country Club. He had served in the U.S. Air Force. Mike was fun-loving and enjoyed swimming, boating, family and his many friends. Surviving are his daughter Jessica; son Matthew; his mother; two brothers and two sisters.

**Andrew 'Binner' Nolan '89** passed away March 7, 2012. He graduated from Cornell University and was president and owner of R.E. Nolan Agricultural Environmental Engineers LLC of Locke, NY. Andy served in the U.S. Navy from 1983 through 1992. During his lifetime, Binner played rugby for Cornell, was an avid skier and downhill racer, a member of the Fleming Fire Department and the Fleming FD Dive Team. He loved hunting, music and a good joke. Surviving are his wife, Kelley A. Crowley Nolan; sons, Ryan A. Nolan and Eric R. Nolan; stepchildren, Amanda and Nicholas Kazanivsky; siblings, Pamela and Larry Saphara, Thames and Kim Nolan, Patrick Nolan, Terry Nolan Personius, Peggy Nolan, Liz and Tony Burgos, Christopher Nolan; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephew and cousins.

**Edgar C. Doyle '90** died February 26, 2012. He was retired from Binghamton Psychiatric Hospital. Edgar is survived by his wife, Carol Dewey Doyle; three sons, Michael (Marge), David (Tina), and Clifford (Jessica Butler); his daughter, Penny (Stephen) David; 18 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his daughter, Marguerite Hoffman.

**Sandra L. O'Brien '00** passed away June 29, 2012. She had been employed at Welch Allyn for more than 40 years and became a CNA at Auburn Nursing Home for a year and a half after her retirement. Sandy had a love for the sun and a love for animals. She is survived by her two sisters, Terry O'Brien and Sally Adsit; a brother, Richard (Diana) O'Brien; three step-brothers, Ronald (Joanne) Smith, David (Melissa) Smith, and Clifford (Jen) Smith.

## STAFF PASSING

**June B. (King) Halstead** died July 8, 2012 in Fairport, NY. June's career as a typist at ACC/CCC spanned 15 years. She was employed in the Personnel Office until her retirement in 1983. June was predeceased by her husband, Donald J. Halstead, who died on November 18, 2010, and son-in-law, James Cufari. She is survived by her children, Cheryl Cufari, and Richard and Mary Lou Insalaco; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sister, Betty Farsaci; and nieces and nephew.



# Fall '12 Activities



**Tuesday, September 11, 2012**  
**Annual Meeting of the Auburn/Cayuga Community College Alumni Association**  
 Alumni are welcome to attend.  
 Auburn Campus - Faculty Dining Room, 7:00 p.m.

**Friday through Sunday, September 21-23, 2012**  
**9th Annual Gettysburg Battlefield National Military Park Excursion**  
 This popular trip is led by CCC Criminal Justice/American History Instructor John Lamphere. This trip is sold-out, but wait list is welcome.

**Wednesday, September 26th**  
**Alumni Open House at River Glen**  
 Mark your calendar! We are excited to personally introduce our new Fulton River Glen Campus to our Alumni Association members. Plans include a campus tour with light refreshments.  
 River Glen Campus 6:00 p.m.

**Saturday and Sunday, September 29th – 30th**  
**New York Yankees vs. Toronto Blue Jays**  
**Overnight trip to Toronto, Canada.** This trip includes bus, hotel accommodations, and tickets to Saturday and Sunday's game. Additional information to be announced. Enhanced Driver's License or passport required for trip. \$195.00 per student and \$215.00 non-student. Sign up early as seating is limited and always goes fast! This event is sponsored by the Student Activities Board. For more information or to be placed on the Performing Arts mailing list, call 255-1743, ext. 2232.

**Sunday, October 14, 2012**  
**10th Annual Antique Appraisal Fair**  
 Bring in your Antiques & Collectibles for a verbal appraisal quote. \$2 per item or 3 items for \$5.  
 Auburn Campus - Nature Center

Building, (behind the main campus) 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Monday, October 22nd**  
**The Asia Project**  
 Back by popular demand, Asia's gripping words have never been less than an honest and genuine testimonial to his life! His uncanny ability to combine humor and inspiration will provoke thought and self-reflection. His spoken word has won audiences over across the country. You do not want to miss this!!  
 Auburn Campus - The Cube 4:00 p.m.  
 This is sponsored by the Student Activities Board. For more information or to be placed on the Performing Arts mailing list, call 255-1743, ext. 2232.

**November 10 & 11**  
**New York City Overnight Bus Trip**  
 The Annual ACC/CCC Alumni Association sponsored "Do Your Own Thing," trip to NYC. This year, for the first time, the group will be staying in Greenwich Village! \$240 per person/with 2 people sharing a room. On sale now while space lasts!

**Saturday and Sunday, December 1st and 2nd**  
**39th Annual Craft Festival**  
 Over 150 crafters and vendors – FREE Admission  
 Auburn Campus  
 Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday: 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
 Sponsored by the Student Activities Board. For more information or to be placed on the Performing Arts mailing list, call 255-1743, ext. 2232.

Be sure to check [www.cayugaspartans.com](http://www.cayugaspartans.com) to see if there's a game being played in your town and to keep up to date on Spartan sports!

## SPARTAN HOME GAMES

(Schedule is subject to change)

### MEN'S SOCCER

Sept. 1	Clinton CC	4:00 pm
Sept. 2	North Country CC	1:00 pm
Sept. 13	Jefferson CC*	5:00 pm
Sept. 19	Onondaga CC	5:00 pm
Sept. 27	Tompkins-Cortland CC*	5:00 pm
Oct. 6	SUNY Delhi	3:00 pm
Oct. 9	Jamestown CC	4:00 pm

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

Sept. 1	Clinton CC	2:00 pm
Sept. 2	North Country CC	1:00 am
Sept. 13	Jefferson CC*	3:00 pm
Sept. 19	Onondaga CC	3:00 pm
Sept. 27	Tompkins-Cortland CC*	3:00 pm
Oct. 6	SUNY Delhi	1:00 pm
Oct. 9	Jamestown CC	2:00 pm

### WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Oct. 3	Onondaga CC	7:00 pm
Oct. 10	Jefferson CC*	6:00 pm
Oct. 13	B vs. D (Erie, Niagara, James)	9:00 am
Oct. 16	Corning CC*	6:00 pm

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

Nov. 8	Niagara CCC	7:30 pm
Nov. 13	Mohawk Valley CC	8:00 pm
Dec. 4	Word of Life	7:30 pm
Dec. 9	North Country CC	4:00 pm

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\*Mid-State Athletic Conference Games



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## The friendly "Bananagram" gorilla visits with the children from the on-campus daycare center.

The Early Childhood Club hosted a "friendly gorilla" on the Auburn Campus on April 25! The gorilla delivered "Bananagrams" to unsuspecting College employees. The efforts were to raise money for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library in Cayuga County. Each year the Early Childhood Club celebrates the "Week of the Young Child" by holding a fundraiser for a local organization. This year, the "Bananagrams" and Flower and Bake Sale raised \$1235, which was presented to Nancy Tehan, the Imagination Library chairperson by Patricia Bennett, the EC Club President.



## You've Got Mail!

A child's early experience with books and print greatly influences their ability to comprehend what they read later in life. The Dolly Parton Imagination Library provides books to Cayuga County children enrolled in the program. Their annual fundraiser, held on Thursday, June 21, 2012 at the Springside Inn in Auburn, was themed "You've Got Mail!" It featured 33 mailboxes painted and donated by local artists and community groups, including CCC and the Alumni Association! Dr. Patricia Gridley, the Early Childhood coordinator at the College, organized the auction with the help of Nancy Tehan, the Imagination Library chairperson.



Alumni from the 60's tour the campus.



Pictured: Rachel Hartman, Kathy Krasniak (United Way), Rachel Garropy, Belinda Tanner, Suanna Morrisette, Suzanne Marshall, Prof. Dawn Matijas-Czolowski, and Adam Robinson. Not pictured: Nichole Fallett.

## CA\$H on Campus

For the fourth year, CCC was the host site of the CA\$H for Cayuga County Program. Running for its seventh year, the program resulted in \$1.4 million in refunds to Cayuga County tax preparers. CA\$H, which stands for Creating Assets, Savings, and Hope, is a free tax preparation program administered through the United Way of Cayuga County. This year seven CCC students and two former students were on hand with Professor Matijas-Czolowski to help prepare 811 tax returns, an increase of 10% over last year.



Helping to load the donations: Jackie Caputa, Adam Williams, Debbi Purcell and Stephanie Schuster



Dr. Joseph F. Karpinski Sr., CCC President Daniel Larson, and Foundation Executive Director Jeff Hoffman at the athletic field announcement.

## Fitness Challenge Food Drive

Participants in the college's third annual Fitness Challenge donated to the annual Food Drive, which helps out local charities here in Auburn and in Fulton. A total of 1438 items and 18 hams were donated to Auburn's Cayuga-Seneca Food Pantry, while 656 items, 9 hams and \$250 in checks went to Fulton's Catholic Charities. This college-wide endeavor was organized by CCC's Wellness Committee and the Administrative Professionals Group.



Trustee John Camardo '84, CCC President Dr. Larson, and Athletic Director Pete Liddell share a laugh during the athletic field announcement in June.



Refresh Express Market recently opened for business in the Norman F. Bourke Memorial Library on the Auburn campus.

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***YOU'RE  
Invited***

**We're having a special  
OPEN HOUSE**

**at our new**

**Fulton River Glen Campus  
just for our alumni!**

**Wednesday, September 29, 2012**

**6:00 P.M.**

**Watch for details on the CCC website**

**[www.cayuga-cc.edu/alumni](http://www.cayuga-cc.edu/alumni)**

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