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(Left to right) President Gabe Basil, Students Lindsey Dallos and Diana Hammer, and Counselor IV Bernice Dunn leave Elston Hall to attend a luncheon in Albany honoring Lindsey, Diana and other students who are part of this year's All-New York Academic Team.

Students named to New York Academic Team

Two SCCC students were recently honored for their academic achievement along with other top students from two-year colleges across New York state at the Eleventh Annual All-New York Awards Luncheon of Phi Theta Kappa.

Lindsey Dallos, an Early Childhood A.A.S. degree major, and Diana Hammer, an Accounting A.A.S. degree major, were chosen as members of the Second and Third Teams respectively of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society 2005 All-New York Academic Team for Community Colleges. Phi Theta Kappa is the national honor society for two-year colleges. The students were recognized during the luncheon on March 28 in Albany.

Lindsey and Diana were nominated for the team by SCCC President Gabe Basil. Nominees have earned a 3.5 grade point average or better and have a history of scholarly achievement and outstanding community service.

The 54 students honored attend community colleges or colleges of technology affiliated with the State University of New York or City University of New York. Of the honorees, 10 students were chosen for the First Team, 15 for the Second Team and 29 students were chosen for the Third Team.

"Today we are pleased and proud to honor traditional and non-traditional students, many who come from underrepresented or disadvantaged backgrounds and accomplish so much while juggling jobs, careers and families," said Carol Eaton, SUNY Vice Chancellor for Community Colleges.

SuperPower, Inc., Union College, SCCC establish workforce training and development initiative

Schenectady-based SuperPower, Inc., a world-leading high temperature superconducting technology (HTS) company, SCCC and Union College have been awarded \$5 million in the 2006 Legislative Budget to develop a highly skilled local workforce to enable SuperPower to successfully achieve its goal of manufacturing scale-up and commercial production of second generation (2G) HTS wire beginning in 2006. Funding is contingent on the final approval of the New York state budget.

SCCC will receive \$1 million for the acquisition of microscopy and spectroscopic testing equipment; facilities upgrades; and curriculum development in HTS manufacturing processes. The College expects to begin by offering specialized courses within the Electrical Technology

A.A.S. degree program.

When cooled to very low temperatures, superconductors can conduct electricity without losses from resistance. 2G HTS wire is able to carry three to 10 times the power of conventional wire conductors such as copper or aluminum. This allows for lighter, smaller and more environmentally friendly electrical equipment such as generators, motors, power cables and transformers.

SuperPower has received the number one ranking among its peers in 2G wire development programs funded by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) for the past two years.

The initiative will support internships to develop locally the specialized science and engineering graduates needed to manufacture 2G wire. Having

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Reps from many colleges on campus for Transfer Fair 2005

Students will have the opportunity to speak with representatives from the following colleges during Transfer Fair 2005 on Tuesday, April 12 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Elston Hall Student Center: Nyack College, Massachusetts College of the Liberal Arts, Russell Sage College, Sage College of Albany, Siena College, Skidmore Without Walls, Southern Vermont College, Utica College, SUNY Empire State College, The University at Albany, SUNY Delhi, SUNY Cobleskill and SUNY IT.

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Faculty and Staff Development

Dr. William Meckley, Professor/Chair of the Music Department, was recently Honorary Chairperson of the Troy Chromatics Annual Fundraising Event held at the Emma Willard School in Troy. The Troy Chromatics is an arts organization that produces a major concert series at the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall each year.

Robert Hoff, Professor, Business and Law Department, attended the 42nd Annual Meeting of the Academic of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS) from March 15-19 in Chicago, Ill. Bob was a member of a roundtable discussion titled, *New Paradigms in Criminal Justice Education*. During this discussion, Bob shared information about computerized classrooms on the SCCC campus, with his colleagues from colleges throughout the United States. Several of his colleagues commented to Bob that they were "impressed with how a moderate-sized community college has such advancements in technology." The ACJS is an international association which fosters professional and scholarly activities in the field of criminal justice. The association promotes criminal justice education, research and policy analysis within criminal justice. Bob is a member of the Executive Board of the community college section of the ACJS.

Professors explore Italy exchange

Professor Rocco Verrigni and Professor Paul Krebs of the Hotel, Culinary Arts and Tourism Department, spent Spring Break last month on a fact-finding trip to Italy, along with officials from other United States educational institutions.

The purpose of their trip was to explore the feasibility of setting up a student exchange program for culinary arts, hotel management and tourism students. They traveled the length of the Italian peninsula visiting universities and cooking schools, meeting with university officials, government officials, restaurant owners and sponsors of the proposed program. The trip was sponsored by the Marco Polo Institute Foundation which administers the Marco Polo Institute for Mediterranean Culture and Tourism. The mission of the institute is to "re-create the environment of an American campus in selected regions of Italy."

The campuses have been or will be created as multi-purpose centers with accommodations, classrooms, restaurants and cafés, sports facilities, conference halls and recreation areas. The general curriculum will be supported by specific courses based on the needs of the students and their own school requirements. Programs of study of interest to

SCCC students may include Food Industry and Culinary Arts, Tourism, Italian Language, Italian Culture. Initial partners with the Marco Polo Institute include the University of Lecce, the University of Reggio Calabria, the University of Catanzaro, Academia Barilla, Province of Catanzaro and Province of Parma. Areas presently being considered for the program are the city of Catanzaro, the region of Calabria, Southern Italy, the city of Otranto, the region of Puglia, Southern Italy, the city of Parma, the region of Emilia Romagna, Northern Italy, the city of Ferrara, the region of Emilia Romagna, Northern Italy and the region of Tuscany, Northern Italy.

The delegation was escorted by the Marco Polo Institute's President and Vice-President, Giacomo Berselli and Dr. Sabbia Auriti. Their journey took them from Milan to Calabria, continued to Puglia and ended in Parma.

Presently the Marco Polo Institute is in the conceptual stages for the exchange programs and there are no students yet in the program. The next step will be writing and submitting a proposal to Marco Polo tailored to the needs and interests of SCCC students. The **BINNEKILL** will continue to print articles about the development of this exciting new program.



Building Blocks for the Electric City

Bill Glock, President of the Downtown Schenectady Improvement Corporation (DSIC), Nicholas Barber, Chair of the SCCC Board of Trustees, Gabe Basil, President of SCCC, and John Samatulski, Executive Director of the DSIC, celebrate after SCCC was recognized as a special honoree during the DSIC's Third Annual Building Block Party last week at the Stockade Inn. The award is on display outside the President's Office in Elston Hall.

SCCC was chosen for the honor based on the College's commitment to helping to make Schenectady a place where people want to come and contributing to the local community. The DSIC is a non-profit organization dedicated to the revitalization of downtown Schenectady. Their mission is to promote downtown Schenectady as a premier location for commerce, recreation and residence by enhancing, facilitating and supporting economic growth.

The other honorees this year were The McDonald Family, Irene Prazak, Stracher-Roth-Gilmore Architects, Greg Salomon and Marc Renson of Ambition, Parcel Post Plus and Skinny and Sweet, and The Photo Lab, Inc. A Special Recognition Award was presented to Union College President Roger Hull.

Authors seek input about on-line learning

Dr. Richard Van Ness, Professor in the Business and Law Department, and Steven McIntosh, Coordinator of Instructional Technology, are co-authoring a book titled, *How to Succeed With On-line Learning*. The book is written directly to students in a very straightforward plain English style. As the title implies, the goal of the book is to help students successfully complete college course work on-line. Topics include; the best practices, profiles of success, what "cyberprofs" and students say about effective learning strategies, understanding "tech talk," how to have meaningful dialogue on-line and a section dedicated to answering frequently asked questions.

The authors are seeking input from professors nationwide who have taught on-line courses. Please contact either author if you are interested in offering your best practices which lead to demonstrated student success. Contributors will be acknowledged in the book.

Richard can be reached via E-mail at DocVN@att.net and Steven can be reached via E-mail at mcintosh@gw.sunysccc.edu.



The Musicians of Ma'alwyck have been named Faculty Chamber Ensemble in Residence at SCCC. Left to right are Sten Isachsen, guitar; Ann-Marie Barker Schwartz, violin; and Petia Kassarova, cello.

Musicians named Faculty Chamber Ensemble in Residence

The Department of Music at SCCC is pleased to announce that Musicians of Ma'alwyck, a professional chamber ensemble specializing in 18th and 19th century music, has been named as Chamber Ensemble in Residence. The core members of the ensemble, Ann-Marie Barker Schwartz, violin, Sten Isachsen, guitar, and Petia Kassarova, cello, all currently serve as members of the Adjunct Faculty at the College. Other musicians often join with the ensemble to meet the needs of a wide variety of chamber literature.

As Chamber Ensemble in Residence, Musicians of Ma'alwyck will be rehearsing and performing at SCCC. In addition to concerts in the Carl B. Taylor Auditorium, they will also be performing occasionally in the Casola Dining Room and other venues on campus. A complete schedule of Musicians of Ma'alwyck SCCC performances will be forthcoming from the

Music Department.

Founded in 1999, Musicians of Ma'alwyck also perform in residence at the Schuyler Mansion, a New York Historic Site. Recent concerts have also been presented at the Marcelle Sembrich Opera Museum and at numerous historic celebrations throughout the region. The ensemble has collaborated with such esteemed artists as Beverly Thiele of the Metropolitan Opera and Gene Marie Callahan Kern of the Chicago Lyric Opera. They have also been featured on National Public Radio.

Musicians of Ma'alwyck frequently present theme programs. The 2005-2006 concerts will include programs dedicated to the music of Jenny Lind, the "Swedish Nightingale," early American music, as well as Spanish influenced scores.

BLSA seeks members, Vice Pres

The Black and Latino Student Alliance (BLSA) has reactivated and is looking for new members to join the club. The club is seeking interested persons to run for Vice President. The purpose of the BLSA is to create a common bond for students of color and to promote and further relations between students of color and the entire campus community. Through educational and social events, the club will be working to expose the College and its members to the history and cultures of different peoples.

Join the BLSA on Youth Service Day, Friday April 22, to restore the historically black section of Vale Cemetery. For more information, please contact Jessica Pelton, Coordinator for Multicultural/Educational Opportunity Programs at 381-1279 or attend the next meeting on Tuesday, April 12 at 11:30 a.m. in Elston Hall, Room 130.

College receives five-year TRIO Grant

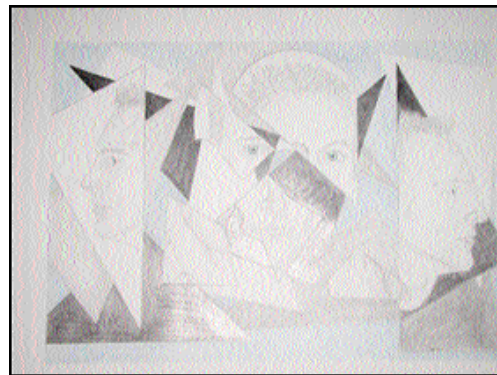
Schenectady County Community College was recently notified that the proposal submitted in August to continue the TRIO Student Support Services program for four more years was selected for funding in a recent US Department of Education competition. Additionally, by scoring in the top 10 percent of all applications nationally, SCCC will receive a five-year award. The total award is for more than \$1.3 million over five years.

The TRIO SSS program at SCCC, which has been in operation since 1997, provides students who are low-income, first generation in college, and/or have a disability, with opportunities for academic development, assistance with basic college requirements and serves to motivate students towards the successful completion of their post-secondary education. The goal of the TRIO SSS program is to increase the college retention and graduation rates of its participants and facilitate the process of transition from one level of higher education to the next.

TRIO provides: tutorial services; academic, financial, and personal advising; resources for students with Learning Disabilities; assistance in securing admission and financial aid for enrollment in four-year institutions; information about career options; mentoring; and direct financial assistance (grant aid) to a limited number of qualified participants who are receiving Federal Pell Grants.

"For the past seven years, this program has enhanced our ability to provide services that help to retain students who are at-risk, disabled and/or disadvantaged. With this announcement, we will be able to further our retention efforts even more over the next five years of this new grant period," said Schenectady County Community College President Gabe Basil.

Congressman Mike McNulty (D-Green Island) announced the TRIO funding awards recently saying, "The TRIO Student Support Services Program provides grants to institutions of higher education for projects to increase the retention and graduation rates of low-income and first generation college students, including those with disabilities, create an institutional climate supportive of their success, and help them transfer from two-year to four-year institutions of higher learning."



This piece by Abby Wurst titled "Michael-Cubism" will be on display through May 11 in the Begley Library along with

other works by other students in Adjunct Faculty Member Sharon Morrill's Introduction to Drawing class.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, April 12, 2005

Fall Semester (and Summer) Advance Registration

Empire Jazz Orchestra Concert, with Jazz Masters Guest Artist Trumpet Player Byron Stripling, 8 p.m., Carl B. Taylor Community Auditorium, Begley Building. Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased in advance. A limited number will be available at the door. Please contact the Music Department at 381-1231 for details.

Women's Softball vs. HVCC, 3:30 p.m., Away

Men's Baseball vs. HVCC, 4 p.m., Home

Wednesday, April 13, 2005

Fall Semester (and Summer) Advance Registration

Thursday, April 14, 2005

Fall Semester (and Summer) Advance Registration

Women's Softball vs. C-GCC, 3:30 p.m., Away

Men's Baseball vs. C-GCC, 4 p.m., Home

Medical Recruitment Night

Friday, April 15, 2005

Income Taxes due

Fall Semester (and Summer) Advance Registration

Saturday, April 16, 2005

Women's Softball vs. SUNY Morrisville, 1 p.m., Home

Men's Baseball vs. Finger Lakes CC, 1 p.m., Home

Monday, April 18, 2005

Fall Semester (and Summer) Advance Registration

EOP Refund Checks mailed

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, 4:30 p.m., Library Conference Room

Tuesday, April 19, 2005

Last Day to Withdraw from Full Semester Classes

Fall Semester (and Summer) Advance Registration

Men's Baseball vs. SUNY Cobleskill, 2 p.m., Home

Women's Softball vs. SUNY Cobleskill, 3:30 p.m., Home

Thursday, April 21, 2005

Student Government Association (SGA) Elections, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Student Center, Elston Hall

Women's Softball vs. Mohawk Valley CC, 3 p.m., Away

Men's Baseball vs. Fulton Montgomery CC, 2 p.m., Away

Friday, April 22, 2005

SGA Elections, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Student Center, Elston Hall

Saturday, April 23, 2005

Women's Softball vs. Tompkins-Cortland CC, 1 p.m., Home

Men's Baseball vs. Broome CC, 1 p.m., Away

Sunday, April 24, 2005

Women's Softball vs. OCC, 1 p.m., Home

Men's Baseball vs. Jefferson CC, 1 p.m., Home



(Above) Lindsey Dallos, (left) stands with SCCC President Gabe Basil and SUNY Chancellor Robert L. King. Diana Hammer and Melissa Travers do the same during an awards ceremony honoring them and other students who were recipients of the SUNY Chancellor's Awards for Student Excellence.

SUNY presents three SCCC students with Awards for Excellence

SUNY Chancellor Robert L. King presented three SCCC students with Chancellor's Awards for Student Excellence during a ceremony at the Empire State Plaza Convention Center last month.

Lindsey Dallos, an Early Childhood A.A.S. degree major, **Diana Hammer**, an Accounting A.A.S. degree major, and **Melissa Travers**, a Humanities and Social Sciences A.A. degree major, were among the 264 students chosen from 60 SUNY campuses to receive the prestigious awards. The awards are given to graduating students who have best demonstrated and been recognized for the integration of academic excellence with other aspects of their lives, which may include leadership, athletics, community service, creative and performing arts, entrepreneurship or career achievement. Awardees were selected by campus committees, who reviewed exemplary members of their college communities and submitted nominations to the Chancellor's Office for recipients of the Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence.

Lindsey Dallos was named as a member of the Second Team of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society 2005 All-New York Academic Team for Community Colleges. She is a member of SCCC's Alpha Zeta Upsilon chapter of Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society. Lindsey has been named to the *President's List* during her career at SCCC and earned an Early Childhood Education Scholarship. In addition to her academic pursuits, Lindsey has been a volunteer during the Equinox Thanksgiving Community Dinners in Albany. She also serves the College as a Member of the Board of Directors of the SCCC Faculty-Student Association.

Diana Hammer was named as a member of the Third Team of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society 2005 All-New York Academic Team for Community Colleges. She is a member of SCCC's Alpha Zeta Upsilon chapter of Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society and served as President of that prestigious group for two years. She has received several scholarships while at SCCC including the Lockheed Martin Foundation Scholarship and Gail Nolan Memorial Scholarship.

Diana has also served as a Member of the Board of Directors of the SCCC Faculty-Student Association, Inc. She has been named to the *President's* and *Dean's Lists*.

Melissa Travers is a member of SCCC's Alpha Zeta Upsilon chapter of Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society. She has been named to the *President's* and *Dean's Lists*. In addition to attending SCCC, Melissa has been a volunteer with Habitat for Humanity, involved in building homes and fundraising for that organization. She was also an active volunteer with MoveOn.Org, promoting voter registration throughout New York state during 2004. She currently serves as President of the Spanish Club, is a Senator with the Student Government Association and is a Peer Tutor, helping her peers in a variety of subjects.

"The recipients of this year's Chancellor's Awards are not only some of the brightest and hardest working students in SUNY, but have made major contributions to their communities," said SUNY Chancellor Robert L. King.

Free 35th Anniversary T-shirt Giveaway part of Spring Week

Check out the following Spring Week activities at SCCC from Monday, April 18-Friday, April 22:

☀ Spring Week giveaway and prize table each day from Monday, April 18 through Friday, April 22 in the Elston Hall Student Center. Students can receive free SCCC special 35th Anniversary T-Shirts, picture holders and other giveaway items as well as sign up to receive great prizes like a free lunch for two in the College's gourmet Casola Dining Room.

☀ Texas Hold'Em comes to SCCC. Get ready to play poker in the Spring Week Tournament. Watch how SCCC is transformed when professional poker tables, a Pit Boss and Championship Dealer bring this exciting event to campus. To sign up to play in the tournament, please contact Jessica Pelton, Coordinator for

Multicultural/Educational Opportunity Programs, at 381-1279 or stop in Elston Hall, Room 222A. You will also be able to sign up on the day of the event. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top two winners. Student dealers are needed also. Professionals will be on hand to give demos and lessons.

☀ Are you interested in playing in the Faculty-Student Softball Game during Spring Week? Dust off those cleats and your old glove and join other SCCC champions on the field. This event is guaranteed entertainment for players and spectators. Team cheerleaders are needed also. Contact Jessica Pelton to play.

Look for flyers on campus for event dates and times.

Trumpeter Stripling is latest performer in Jazz Master Series

With a contagious smile and captivating charm, trumpet virtuoso Byron Stripling has ignited audiences internationally. He will perform with the Empire Jazz Orchestra (EJO) during the ensemble's annual Jazz Masters Series Concert on Tuesday, April 12 at 8 p.m., in the Carl B. Taylor Community Auditorium, Begley Building. Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased in advance. A limited number will be available at the door. Please contact the Music Department at 381-1231 for details.



Stripling was selected by conductor John Williams of the Boston Pops Orchestra to perform as featured soloist on the PBS television special, *Evening at Pops*. He was also chosen to star in the lead role of the Broadway bound musical, *Satchmo*, following a worldwide search. Television viewers have enjoyed his work as featured soloist on the worldwide telecast of *The Grammy Awards*. Millions have heard his trumpet and voice on television commercials, TV theme songs (including *20/20* and CNN), and soundtracks on favorite movies.

Since his Carnegie Hall debut with Skitch Hendersen and the New York Pops, Stripling has

become a pops orchestra favorite throughout the country, soloing with The Boston Pops, Virginia Symphony, Rochester Philharmonic, Boca Raton Pops, Knoxville Symphony, Baton Rouge Symphony, Illinois Philharmonic, Minnesota Orchestra and American Jazz Philharmonic.

He earned his stripes as lead trumpeter and soloist with the Count Basie Orchestra under the direction of Thad Jones and Frank Foster. He also played and recorded extensively with the bands of Dizzy Gillespie, Woody

Herman, Lionel Hampton, Clark Terry, and Buck Clayton in addition to The Lincoln Center Classical Jazz Orchestra, The Carnegie Hall Jazz Band, and The GRP All Star Big Band. Stripling conducts seminars and master classes at colleges, universities, conservatories and high schools. He was educated at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N.Y., and the Interlochen Arts Academy in Interlochen, Mich.

The EJO, under the direction of Dr. William Meckley, was named professional jazz ensemble in residence at SCCC in 1992.

Alumnus to deliver guitar recital

A Guitar Recital by Christopher Gotzen-Berg, will take place on Tuesday, April 19, at 11:30 a.m., in the Begley Building, Room 160. The performance will include works by Gotzen-Berg, Léo Brouwer, Joaquín Rodrigo and Isaac Albéniz.

Gotzen-Berg began his musical studies at SCCC as a student of Adjunct Faculty Member Sten Isachsen in 1996. He transferred to the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam in 1999 where he majored in Guitar Performance. In Summer 2002 he released his first solo guitar recording, *The Lingering Look* under the WEPA Records label. The recording is comprised of original compositions and flamenco transcriptions. He is currently pursuing an M.M. in Guitar Performance at the Crane School of Music and is also enrolled in the Teacher Certification program. Gotzen-Berg is also currently a faculty member at the Crane School of Music.

Media Mix

Media Mix is a column in the BINNEKILL listing recent appearances by SCCC faculty and staff on local television or radio programs, as well as in articles in local print media. Anyone interested in viewing the programs or obtaining a copy of the articles may contact Public Relations at 381-1250.

MM The April 2005 edition of *The Stockade Spy* featured a list of April events at SCCC.

MM The March 31 edition of *The Daily Gazette* included information on the SCCC Film Series.

MM An article in the April 5 issue of the *Times Union* about the April flooding in the Capital Region included the fact that SCCC was closed on April 4 due to flooding.

MM Articles in the April 1 *Capital Region Business Review* and April 1 *Daily Gazette* focused on the \$5 million in technology funding approved for a partnership among SCCC, SuperPower and Union College. (See article on Front Page.)

MM The April 5 issue of *The Daily Gazette* contained a photo and article about an April 8 performance by the Thursday Musical Club featuring SCCC Music Students Rebecca Kraft and Carlton Taylor.

Check out these films

The following films will be shown as part of the Spring 2005 Film Series. All films are free and open to the public.

Bad Education (USA, 2004), Thursday, May 5, 4 p.m., Stockade Building, Room 101. Celebrated Spanish auteur Pedro Almodovar's latest is a classic film noir set in Madrid, 1960-1980. Two kids, Ignacio and Enrique, discover love, cinema and fear in a religious school.

The Rage in Placid Lake (Australia, 2004), Thursday, February 10, 4 p.m., Stockade Building, Room 101. Directed by Tony McNamara. With Ben Lee, Rose Byrne and

Miranda Richardson. Placid Lake (Ben Lee) has always been different. His crayon eating scientific genius of a best friend, Gemma (Rose Byrne), also has a few issues with "blending in." Short film before feature presentation: Martin Jones's *At Dawning*. A woman wakes up and quickly flees in the half-light of dawn. Maybe if she can get away before her one-night stand wakes up, she can escape the consequences of her actions. But the suicidal man hanging upside down from a tree branch right outside the window might not agree.

BINNEKILL Publication Schedule

Deadline (9 a.m.)	Publication Date
Wednesday, April 13	Monday, April 25
Wednesday, April 27	Monday, May 16 (final issue)

Please E-mail submissions to the BINNEKILL address at binnekil@gw.sunysccc.edu.

Career Services offers on-line resource, hiring events

The Office of Career and Employment Services announces the following services/events:

- Have job leads and event information come directly to you. Available for students, alumni and faculty member use. Register to use SCCC's on-line career management and job search system call EASE. For information go to www.sunysccc.edu/ces.
- SCCC Public Safety Day at SCCC, Thursday, April 14, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Schenectady ARC-Summer Job Hiring at SCCC, Wednesday, April 20, 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Counseling Association Scholarship available for Fall

The Capital District Counseling Association is offering one \$1,000 scholarship to a local two-year college student enrolling at a Capital Region four-year college for Fall 2005. Applications are in the scholarship rack outside the Student Development Office, located in Elston Hall, Room 223. Deadline for this scholarship application is Friday, April. An essay and transcripts and recommendations are required. Applicants need to have a 3.0 cumulative grade point average or better to apply.

College mourns passing of Thelma Lally, longtime SCCC friend

by *Vladia C. Boniewski, Director of Development*

Mrs. Thelma Lally died March 22, at the age of 92. Mrs. Lally and her husband Kenneth, were the Honorary Co-Chairs for SCCC's first capital campaign, *The Campaign for SCCC*, which began in 1995. They were also the largest donors to that campaign, with a leadership gift of \$250,000. The SCCC Board of Trustees renamed the Mohawk Room in Elston Hall as the Kenneth T. and Thelma P. Lally Mohawk Room in their honor.

Mrs. Lally had a long and distinguished teaching career. She and Ken moved to Schenectady in

1939 and she taught at a one-room schoolhouse in Glenville. She retired from the Niskayuna School District, having taught for more than 35 years of her life. She was known for encouraging students with the words, "Oh yes you can." In addition to giving to colleges, including RPI and the College of Saint Rose, the Lallys also gave to many hospitals and cultural institutions.

Mrs. Lally enjoyed music and she and her husband were regular attendees at the SCCC Foundation's annual gala, *Food for Thought and All That Jazz*. "SCCC is grateful to Mrs. Lally for her belief in helping others through education," said President Gabriel Basil.



April showers-Steady rain caused flooding in the SCCC parking lot, forcing the College to cancel classes on Monday, April 4. In this photo, water is seen covering the parking lot and sidewalk near the Begley Building. Senior Technical Assistant Peter Houghton captured the flood of 2005 on film in a series of photos, including one of an unfortunate fish washed up on campus after the waters receded.

SGA Blood drive at SCCC

The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive at SCCC on Tuesday, April 19 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Activity Forum, Elston Hall. To make an appointment to donate blood, please call the Student Services Office at 381-1335 or stop by the office, Elston Hall, Room 222. Walk-ins will also be accepted. This event is being sponsored by the Student Government Association.

Free legal advice offered

SCCC hosts the Annual Law Day at SCCC on Tuesday, April 26 from 5 to 7:30 p.m. in the Elston Hall Student Center. This program is brought to campus by the Law, Order and Justice of Schenectady. Lawyers will be available to assist with free legal advice and consultation.

Benefit walkers wanted

The annual March of Dimes Walk America will take place on Sunday, May 1. The walk will originate in the SCCC parking lot. Registration for the walk begins at 9 a.m. and the walk begins at 10 a.m. Walker packets and volunteer information is available in the Student Services Office, Elston Hall, Room 222. The March of Dimes supports vital programs that help to solve the mysteries behind pre-term birth and improve treatments and outcomes of infants born prematurely.

Mobile Mammography program at SCCC

On Thursday, May 5 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Mobile Mammography unit, a service of the Golub Breast Care Center at Bellevue Womans Hospital and sponsored by the YWCA of Schenectady will be in the SCCC parking lot. Appointments are needed and may be made by calling 374-3394, ext. 140. All insurance providers will be billed. Co-pays will be the responsibility of the patient.

Miss a previous issue of
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Read it on-line and see our photos in color.
Visit the SCCC Web site,
www.sunysccc.edu, click on Binnekill
under News, Calendars, Events and
Employment.

Spring 2005 TRIO Workshops

TRIO Student Support Services hosts the following workshop this semester. The workshop will be held in the TRIO Office area, located in Elston Hall, Room 328, and is open to all students.

The Right Résumé, Tuesday, April 12, 11:30 a.m.-12:20 p.m. Different career fields call for different kinds of résumés. Learn what is appropriate for your field and what kind of resume will help you.



Recognizing the anniversary of the ADA-Tom Dotson, Coordinator of Disabled Student Services, serves Assistant Professor Sheila Kenneally cake in celebration of the 15th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Educational Assistant Justin Alvis and Tom distributed cake to students, faculty and staff last month as part of Disabilities Awareness Week.

Learn the facts about disabilities

In an effort to educate readers about disabilities, Tom Dotson, Coordinator of Disabled Student Services, supplied the **BINNEKILL** with the following trivia facts.

- People with disabilities make up the single largest minority group in the United States.
- Hidden disabilities may include: traumatic brain injury (T.B.I.), learning disabilities, psychiatric disorders, diabetes, cancer, arthritis and hearing impairments, as disabilities are defined by the ADA.
- As we all age, most of us in our lifetime will experience a disability.
- American Sign Language (ASL) is a separate language in its self, much like a foreign language.
- 211 students with disabilities were registered with SCCC's Disabled Student Services Office during the Fall 2004 semester.
- People with a disability want to be treated with respect, in the same way as all of us do.

Surf the Web for upcoming events

SCCC's Web site provides a listing of special lectures, musical performances, athletic events, registration dates and times and special events. Go to the College's Web site at www.sunysccc.edu and click on News and Events. There are two calendars for you to browse, the SCCC Calendar which includes academic information, as well as special events, and a calendar titled Special Events/ Athletics, which lists only those events.

SCCC receives \$1 million for technology training (Continued from Page 1.)

that workforce available locally will help to ensure SuperPower's success.

"We couldn't be more pleased with this announcement," said SCCC President Gabe Basil "The partnership with SuperPower and Union College affords us the opportunity to strengthen our own technology programs while pursuing an economic development initiative that holds great promise for Schenectady."

The partnership is expected to begin immediately following final New York state budget approval.

The collaboration will, according to the partners, provide additional benefits including: retaining the 50 jobs established since 2000 and more than tripling the number of jobs at SuperPower by 2010, with further growth in high tech manufacturing jobs as the market fully develops during the next decade; enhancing student and faculty recruitment efforts at Union and SCCC; retaining graduates in the region to address the "brain-drain" issue; establishing high-tech manufacturing in an Empire Zone of Schenectady; providing tax benefits to the local economy (payroll, sales tax, etc.); developing training opportunities for local employees on state-of-the-art equipment in high-tech fields; providing benefits to local and other New York state-based vendors; supporting the emerging cluster of high tech companies in the region; and supplying a local high-tech workforce.

Club selling raffle tickets

The Hospitality Club will sell raffle tickets for five gift baskets through Tuesday, April 19. The tickets are \$1. The drawing will be held on Tuesday, April 19 at 11:30 a.m.

The baskets contain: \$30 Barnes and Noble gift card; Spectrum Theater movie tickets; soy wax pillar candle (linen scent); \$50 gift certificate to Proctor's Theatre; \$30 gift certificate to Malozzi's Restaurant; two Regal movie theater tickets; \$25 Simply Certificate (can be used at over 200 area businesses); and a Creamy Cocoa Party Lite candle in a glass container.

EOP workshops in April and May

The Educational Opportunity Program will offer the following workshops for EOP students.

Study Skills and Test-Taking Strategies, Thursday, April 14, 11:30 a.m., The Terrace, Second Floor, Elston Hall.

Top 20 Ways to Locate Jobs for Summer and Beyond, Thursday, May 5, 11:30 a.m. Elston Hall, Room 238. Get ready to find the right job for you this summer and for your future.

If you are an EOP student and are interested in attending the workshops, please contact Jessica Pelton, Coordinator for Multicultural/Educational Opportunity Programs, at 381-1279 or stop in Elston Hall, Room 222A.

Women win gift certificates

Congratulations to the following individuals who participated in Women's History Month events and were winners in free drawings for gift certificates of one hour of massages: Trenia Anderson, Ann Ashley and Melissa Meier.

Preschool now enrolling

Gateway Montessori at SCCC is now enrolling children in its multi-aged environment for the 2005-2006 school year. Gateway Montessori is the Early Childhood Program's laboratory preschool located in the Gateway Building on the SCCC campus. Children ages 2 1/2 to 6 years of age are invited to join the program. The curriculum demonstrates best practices in Early Childhood Education, including the offering of an individualized kindergarten curriculum. Gateway Montessori operates from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Monday through Friday, and follows the SCCC academic calendar. Please contact Assistant Professor Tammy Calhoun at 381-1295 for more information.

CRWTC hosts April events

The Capital Region World Trade Center (CRWTC) is hosting these upcoming events:

Business Opportunities in Brazil Videoconference, Wednesday, April 13, 8 a.m., in the Begley Building, Room 216. All speakers represent the U.S. Commercial Service office located in the U.S. Consulate in Sao Paulo, Brazil. The cost to attend is \$15 for CRWTC members and \$25 for non-members. Registrations are accepted on-line at www.crwtc.org or by calling (518)381-1444.

Mexico Roundtable, Friday, April 22, 8 a.m., The Terrace, Second Floor, Elston Hall. Guest Speaker is Cecilia Via, Director of Empire State Development office in Mexico City. Her presentation will include an update on economic and political developments in the U.S.'s second largest trade partner.

For more information on either event, please contact Diane G. Pechulis, CRWTC Events Coordinator, at 381-1444.

Walk-in tutoring available

The Learning Center, Elston Hall, Room 523, offers a walk-in tutoring program. Help is available in these content/course areas: biology, chemistry, introduction to computers, computers for hospitality, criminal justice, history, political science, hotel and restaurant management, introduction to Literature, psychology, and sociology. Assistance in writing, reading and Internet research is always available.

Something to think about...

"The green earth sends her incense up, From many a mountain shrine; From folded leaf and dewey cup, She pours her sacred wine."

— John Greenleaf Whittier

ACF evaluator praises Culinary Arts Department's strengths

On March 8 and 9, Dr. Susan Hendee, Chairperson of the Accreditation Commission of American Culinary Federation (ACF) conducted an extensive "pilot" site visit to the College for the purpose of reaccreditation of our Culinary Arts program.

Dr. Hendee's visited all of the College's culinary facilities including storage areas. She also visited classrooms, the Begley Library and Instructional Technology Center, bookstore, computer labs, as well as observing culinary classes and interviewing students and faculty members.

Normally the ACF sends three evaluators to a campus to verify that the 152 accredited programs meet all standards and competencies set forth by the Commission. Because SCCC has received two maximum accreditations (five years in 1993, seven years in 1998), and is considered one of the ACF's premier programs, only one evaluator was sent to observe our program. Professor Paul

Krebs authored the self study that was reviewed by the three reviewers and Dr. Hendee verified that the information was accurate and correct.

In her findings she reported on 12 strengths. Among them were "experienced and committed faculty; graduate placements; remedial courses for students; community support and active advisory board; SCCC institutional support—library, resource and media center; HACCP implementation; preparation of self study and support documentation; and excellent financial controls in place.

She found no areas of non-compliance with standards which would have been concerns. Toby Strianese, Professor and Chair of the Hotel, Culinary Arts and Tourism Department, said, "We anticipate receiving another maximum accreditation which will be voted upon at the ACF convention in San Antonio, Texas, in July."

Criminal Justice Club tours facility

The Criminal Justice Club, accompanied by Professor Robert Hoff, visited the Mount MacGregor Medium Security Correctional Facility last month. Club members took a tour of the facility led by Superintendent Harold McKinney. They also asked him questions about the field and spoke with deputy superintendents.

Spring Open House this week

SCCC will host a Spring Open House on Wednesday, April 13, from 3:30 to 6 p.m. on the Washington Avenue campus.

The Open House begins with a welcome at 3:45 p.m. by Dean of Academic Affairs Thomas Nelson and College President Gabe Basil. Academic presentations, department sessions and campus tours will follow. For more information about SCCC's Spring 2004 Open House, please contact the SCCC Admissions Office at (518) 381-1366.

Student earns scholarships

Congratulations to Culinary Arts major Peter Karos who earned a Transfer Scholarship for \$3,000 to Johnson and Wales University in Providence, R.I. Peter plans to attend the university in Fall 2005, majoring in Culinary Arts. His scholarship is renewable for four years of full-time study. Peter also received the 2005 National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation (NRAEF) Academic Scholarship for Undergraduate Students sponsored by the H. J. Heinz Company.

Campus Resources

Academic Advisement

Elston 223/ext. 1277

Monday-Thursday 9 am-8 pm
Friday 9 am-2 pm

Academic Computing Lab

Elston Hall, 530/ext. 1213

Monday-Thursday 8:30 am-10 pm
Friday 8:30 am-4 pm
Saturday 9 am-3:30 pm

Accounting Tutor Lab

Elston 427

See Dan McCrea, Elston Hall,
Room 328-C for hours.

Begley Library/ext. 1239

Monday-Thursday 8 am-9:30 pm
Friday 8 am-4:30 pm
Saturday 10 am-2 pm
Spring Recess

Open Monday - Friday, March 21- 25:
9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Career and Employment Services

Elston 223/ext. 1365

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm
(Evening hours available upon request.)

Career Counseling

Elston 223/ext. 1365

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm
(Evenings by appointment.)

The College Store

Elston 109/ext. 1332

Mon., Jan. 24 8 am-7 pm
Tues., Jan. 25 8 am-7 pm
Wed., Jan. 26 8 am-7 pm
Thurs., Jan. 27 8 am-7 pm
Fri., Jan. 28 8 am-4 pm
Jan. 31 regular hours resume
Mon./Tues. 8 am-6 pm
Wed./Thurs. 8 am-4 pm
Friday 8 am-2 pm

The Commons Elston/ext. 1330

Monday-Thursday 7:30 am-8 pm
Friday 7:30 am-2 pm

Computer Tutor Lab

Elston 427

See Dan McCrea, Elston Hall,
Room 328-C for hours.

Disabled Student Services

Elston 222/ext. 1345

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

The Gateway Preschool

Gateway 124/ext. 1455/1295

Monday-Friday 9 am-11:30 am
(Call for program information.)

HTML and Visual Basic Tutoring Lab Elston 527

See Dan McCrea, Elston Hall,
Room 328-C for hours.

Instructional Technology Center Begley, ext. 1243

Monday-Thursday 8 am-9:30 pm
Friday 8 am-4 pm

JAVA Lab/Elston 527

See Dan McCrea, Elston Hall,
Room 328-C for hours.

Language Lab

Elston 520/ext. 1373

Monday 8:30-11:30 am
12-2 pm, 5-7 pm
Tuesday 8:30-11:30 am
12:30-2 pm, 5-7 pm
Wednesday 9:30-12:30 am
5-7 pm
Thursday 8:30-11:30 am
12-2 pm, 5-7 pm
Friday 9:30-12 pm
Saturday 10 am-1 pm

Learning Center/Writing Lab Elston 523/ext. 1246

Monday 9 am-8:30 pm
Tuesday 9 am-6 pm
Wednesday 9 am-6 pm
Thursday 9 am-8:30 pm
Friday 9 am-4 pm
Saturday 10 am-2 pm

Legal Research Tutor Lab Begley Library

Mondays 2-3:30 pm

Math Lab Elston 518/ext. 1435

Mon., Wed., Thurs. 9 am-3 pm
5-8 pm
Tuesday 9 am-3 pm
Friday 9 am-2 pm
Saturday 10 am-2 pm

Multicultural/Educational Opportunity Programs

Elston 222/ext. 1279

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Personal Counseling

Elston 223/ext. 1365

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm
(Evenings by appointment.)

Transfer Counseling

Elston 223/ext. 1365

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm
(Evenings by appointment.)

TRIO Student Support

Services Elston 328/ext. 1465

Monday 8:30 am-6 pm
Tuesday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Tutor Services

Elston 328-C/ext. 1461

Monday-Friday 8 am-4 pm
Tutor Services Coordinator-
Dan McCrea

YWCA Children's Center

Gateway Bldg./ext. 1375 or 1389

Monday-Friday 7:30 am-5:30 pm
(Evening hours available depending on
enrollment.)