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In this Challenging Time, Your College Remains Strong



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As we approach the end of another academic year, we are well aware of the economic challenges that await Cazenovia College in 2009-10. We have been fiscally prudent; at the same time we have acted to preserve the quality of the experiences we provide for our students.

This is a trying economic time in our country's history, and institutions such as Cazenovia College are not immune. The potential for lower enrollment numbers in 2009-10, coupled with reduced support from our investment portfolio, will require us to continue to be deliberate in all our budgetary decisions.

Now more than ever, tuition assistance and scholarships are vitally important. Without the continued support of generous alumni and friends, some of our students may not be able to return to Cazenovia College to complete their education. I encourage you to review the message on page 35 to find out how you can help our students to experience the value of a Cazenovia College education.

Cazenovia College's many strengths enable us to feel confident that we will successfully weather the current economic uncertainties. Attendance at the recent Admissions' open houses confirms that your College continues to be a highly desired institution of higher learning. Application numbers remain strong and at the same time, fund-raising continues at a pace that may actually match last year's very successful totals.

We will remain on a path that emphasizes quality over quantity. Some institutions are all about more, more and more. At Cazenovia, we're about better, better and better. That is where our future lies. This is evidenced in the recent improvements made to several facilities on campus -

thanks to generous gifts received from alumni and friends. The former student center in Hubbard Hall was recently transformed into an improved multi-purpose function room, the Morgan Room. A new greenhouse is blooming on the roof of Eckel Hall. The Sayford Cyber Café opened in January in the J.M. McDonald Student Center. Hubbard II will soon become the Witherill Common Room, an academic commons and lounge area for everyone at the College to enjoy. This coming summer the addition of two elevators will make all of Williams, Coleman, Eddy and Hubbard halls fully accessible by the start of the fall 2009 semester.

In this challenging time, your College remains strong. On behalf of our students, Board of Trustees, and the entire Cazenovia College family, thank you for standing with us as we work together in building bright futures. By carefully managing our resources and by safeguarding our endowment holdings, we will protect the fiscal soundness of the College, as well as its future. Cazenovia College will not move backward. We have a responsibility to protect all that we have accomplished together during the past decade and to preserve the future of our great institution.

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“All People Have a Right to Matter”

Sara Wall-Bollinger '74 grew naturally into commitment to people with disabilities



Photo: Susan Kahn

with mental health, civil liberties, and rehabilitation.

Wall-Bollinger says, “In the 1960s, my formative years, the theme was people of color. In the 1970s, my college years, the theme was women’s liberation. In the 1980s, when I was developing my career, the theme was people with disabilities.” She says now, “I am committed to justice for all people.”

After earning an associate’s degree in liberal arts from Cazenovia College, where her mother, Sheila Wall, taught in the Child Studies Program, she completed her bachelor of arts degree in history and education from Alfred University and her master of arts degree in education and counseling at Colgate University.

She credits a graduate school internship at a psychiatric hospital with changing the course of her life. “I was a history teacher training for a career as a high school guidance counselor. I became so intrigued by working with recipients of psychiatric services that I changed course.”

It was her Cazenovia College experience that built her self-confidence, she says. “I was elected to student government and, as valedictorian, spoke at my commencement ceremony. Skills such as speaking before a large group and making a case to convince others have served me well ever since.”

She continues, “I also learned more about the financial realities of a college than is probably typical, because the College almost closed during my second year. I think this early ‘reality check’ has helped me, as a non-profit administrator, to understand that devotion to mission alone does not pay the bills.”

She began her career at Transitional Living Services of Onondaga

County and then moved on to Catholic Charities of Syracuse, before taking her current position with Enable. She says, “Our mission is to enhance the quality of life for people with physical and developmental disabilities through an array of individualized services.”

“Paying the bills” encompasses far more than keeping Enable solvent. Wall-Bollinger supervises more than 600 staff members who serve more than 1,600 individuals each year, with guidance from a volunteer board of directors. She says, “I am also influenced by input from people with disabilities themselves, their families, and their support staff. Enable’s past has been, and future will be, primarily determined by the expressed wishes of our service participants.”

Enable benefits from millions of dollars of government funding each year. “These funds,” says Wall-Bollinger, “come with strings, more strings, and tangled strings. One of my roles is to insure that we continue to access appropriate government funds, comply with myriad regulations associated with the funding, and educate lawmakers regarding the impact of their decisions.”

Because she is involved primarily with administration, Wall-Bollinger seldom sees first-hand the day-to-day results of her work. However, she recalls one instance when an interviewer asked for human interest photos. “With no

warning or preparation, program participants who were at Enable at the time agreed to be interviewed and said nice things about their experiences.”

Wall-Bollinger also recalls filming a marketing video with program participants. One participant recorded “I love it here” for the video. “A few months later,” she says, “he took the time to send me a letter to thank the organization and our staff for the great progress he has made on his rehabilitation.”

Instances like these may seem a small return for the responsibility Wall-Bollinger bears. A reward that is very visible to observers is the 30,000 square foot “green” addition to the Court Street facility, the first LEED-certified building in Syracuse. Wall-Bollinger speaks with pride about self-directed personal services, aquatic rehabilitation and the adaptive equipment lending library, just a few of the services instituted at Enable under her leadership.

On a personal level, Wall-Bollinger finds a great reward in her ability to see her own growth as a leader, and new possibilities both for herself and her organization. Through her early career she was focused on being a manager, but over time, that has changed.

She says, “As the organization has grown and my management style has matured, I am more focused on leader-



Photo: Susan Kahn

It is a source of satisfaction to Wall-Bollinger that Enable staff members say they love their work.

ship. This has led me to think more about the future. I am inclined now to focus on what could be, more than what is. The current economic downturn is depressing, but in my own mind I have already moved beyond this period to the opportunities that will be available next year or the year after. I have never let current reality restrict my plans for the future.”

“I believe in civil rights,” says Sara Wall-Bollinger '74. “All people have the right to matter.” This has been the theme of Wall-Bollinger’s life. For nearly 20 years she has been the executive director and chief executive officer of Enable, United Cerebral Palsy and Handicapped Children’s Association of Syracuse. Before that, she

worked for other service agencies, and has been active with a number of local and state organizations concerned

“I am committed to justice for all people.”
- Sara Wall-Bollinger



Photo: John Seitzer

When Sara Wall-Bollinger spoke at Cazenovia College’s 2004 Academic Convocation, she advised students to become involved in the community, to volunteer.

“These experiences give you a chance to interact with different kinds of people - both the recipients of your attention and the other volunteers.”



Upgrades Modernize Several Campus Facilities

New dishwasher improves efficiency; Sayford Cyber Café offers upscale menu items; and Morgan Room is available for booking



College employee **Tim Wells** demonstrates the improved work flow that the new dishwasher has provided and adds that the soap being used is one of the "green" detergents offered by EcoLab.

Photo: John Seiter

This year's winter break proved to be a very productive one as finishing touches were made to three highly anticipated projects on campus.

The dish room in the Dining Hall kitchen was completed. Now equipped with a new dishwasher that is considerably smaller, more efficient and environmentally friendly, employees are already raving about the improved working environment. "The new machine is saving energy, water, soap, and staff time," said **John Lehmann**, the

College's director of dining, conference and catering services.

According to **Tim Wells** and **Everett Gaut** - the employees who work in the dish room on a daily basis - the new dishwasher has provided for a better work flow, reduced the handling of dishes, and significantly minimized the amount of lifting and walking. "The improved handling of incoming dishware and flatware, and more efficient disposal of garbage has resulted in a happier, more productive staff that gets done earlier," said Wells.

Awaiting the students as they returned to campus for the spring 2009 semester was the new Sayford Cyber Café in the J.M. McDonald Student Center, located in Chapman Hall. Featuring Seattle's Best Coffee, lattes and teas, with upscale sandwiches, flatbread Paninis, wraps and baked goods, the café is open seven days a week from 7 p.m. until midnight.

"Not only does the café create a great place for students to gather, but the variety of food and drinks offered is



Senior **Brandi Moyer** enjoys a latte in the café.

Photo: Wayne Westervelt

refreshing," said senior **Brandi Moyer**. "This new offering really reaches out to a whole other cross section of students, complementing *Pizza After Dark* and bringing a coffeehouse feel to our student center."

Last, but not least, the Morgan Room was used for the first time on February 11, 2009. In the morning, a light breakfast was served in recognition of the College maintenance crew's work in transforming what used to be the College's student center into an improved multi-purpose room. Later in the afternoon **President Tierno** used the room to meet with students interested in studying abroad next year in Canterbury, England. Looking forward, the College is already booking a steady stream of banquets, meetings, classes, seminars, and other events to be held in the newest venue on campus, the Morgan Room.



Photo: Tasha Johnson

The Morgan Room, renovated thanks to a gift received from M&T Bank, is available to all members of the campus community, as well as the wider community, for events, classes or other activities.

Office of Communications: Moving in a New Direction

Staff members in the Office of Communications are pleased to announce their official move to 25 Sullivan Street. Located directly across the street from Joy Hall, a quaint two-story home (leased by the College) has allowed the six members of the communications staff to blend their talents all under one roof.

Previously, the staff was housed in two separate buildings: Joy Hall and the Alumni House. "Moving to this new location affords our team an opportunity to operate as a united force in a central 'communication headquarters,'" said Director of Communications **Wayne Westervelt**, who added that the staff will now be in a position to expand their "team" mentality and better serve the College and its constituents in the areas

of publications, promotion, branding, integrated marketing, advertising, Web communications, media relations and internal communications.

In addition to their new location, some fresh faces were welcomed into the College family in 2008. **Tasha Johnson '08**, graphic designer, has brought a medley of creative skills to the table since July. Web developer **Sean Kelly** joined the staff in October and has been instrumental in the maintenance and development of Web based projects. In December, **Danielle Murray**, assistant director of communications, began serving as a liaison to the community and maintaining effective communications practices for the College.



(L-R) **Sylvia Needel**, writer/editor; **Wayne Westervelt**; **Danielle Murray**; **John Seiter**, art director; **Tasha Johnson**; **Sean Kelly**

Photo: T. Ripod

Rewarding Commitment to the Pursuit of Knowledge and Understanding

Dr. Stephanie Leeds underwrites annual honors award

Stephanie Leeds, Ph.D., retired from her teaching and directorship responsibilities in Cazenovia College's Education and Child Studies Programs in 2007. However, after shaping the lives and careers of hundreds of students during her teaching career, she finds herself unwilling to retire from being a positive influence on our students.

Leeds recently created the **Stephanie F. Leeds All College Honors Program Award Fund** to provide financial awards to graduating seniors in recognition of academic achievement. The Award will be given annually to a Cazenovia College graduate earning the All College Honors degree with the highest cumulative four-year GPA. Leeds says, "I am excited to offer an award recognizing a young scholar and her or his commitment to the values of rigor and excellence in the pursuit of knowledge and understanding."

"I am particularly pleased to support the Honors Program at Cazenovia College," she continues, "because it offers students in any major the opportunity to deepen their academic inquiry and meet high expectations - both of which I believe are hallmarks of a quality college education."

Dr. Grazyna Kozaczka, director of the All College Honors Program, will present the first award at the College's annual Academic Awards Banquet during commencement week. Kozaczka says, "Stephanie has always been a strong supporter of the honors program. The award, a \$500 check, will be given for the first time this year. Most of our honors graduates plan to continue their education in graduate schools. This is wonderful recognition for a young graduate who embarks on such a demanding professional journey."

Faculty Accolades

Professor Ritter to teach at International Design Conference; Laurabeth Allyn explores "sexualization" of clothing styles



Josef Ritter

Photo: Tasha Johnson

Professor Josef Ritter, director of Cazenovia College's Interior Design Program, will share his lighting design expertise at LIGHT-FAIR International's 20th anniversary conference in New York City in May. The conference hosts educational opportunities on the industry's latest trends and innovations, offered by the world's foremost lighting and design experts.

Professor Ritter's seminar, "Color and Human Response," is focused on the perception of and reaction to color and the human condition, exploring how color selection can influence the emotional, psychological and aesthetic aspects of our lives.

"The essence of color is not pigment,"

Ritter says. "It is light. My discussion however, will focus on how our collective and inherited responses to color have shaped our attitudes and function in the world."

Ritter says, "I'll show specific examples of how color and light work together to affect our psyches," he says. "I'll talk about the historical aspects of color, and how I developed my own attitudes toward color."

Among Ritter's professional associations are the Illuminating Engineering Society of

North America (IESNA), and the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID). He received his bachelor of arts degree from SUNY Albany and his master of fine arts degree from Syracuse University.

At the 2008 International Textile and Apparel Association's annual conference in October, **Laurabeth Allyn**, assistant professor of Fashion Studies at Cazenovia College, received an award for Best Paper in the Social/Psychological Track. "I wanted to look at what I call the "Britney Spears effect," she said.

Allyn's article, "Self-Concept of Early Adolescent Females Related to Age-Ambiguous and Sexualized Clothing Styles," focuses on how current fashions reflect and impact a young teen's self-image and the development of self-concept.

The study cites a marketing strategy dubbed 'age compression,' that pushes adult products and teen attitudes on

"...our collective and inherited responses to color have shaped our attitudes and function in the world."

- Josef Ritter



Laurabeth Allyn

Photo: Tasha Johnson

young children, and takes advantage of higher divorce rates, children spending less time with their parents, technological advances and recognition of children as consumers, to promote the desire for age-inappropriate clothing in young females.

Allyn asked 30 college-age women and their mothers about the clothing styles they wore in their middle school years. Allyn says, "Both sets of participants agreed that the biggest impact of young adolescent girls wearing age ambiguous or sexualized clothing was on the premature ending of childhood and the acceleration of maturity."

The International Textile and Apparel Association is a professional, educational association composed of scholars, educators, and students in higher education textile, apparel and merchandising disciplines.

College Welcomes Research Enthusiast

Bridget Miller is Cazenovia College's new director for institutional research and assessment. Miller holds a master of public administration degree from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University. As an undergraduate, she majored in public policy and international relations.

Miller is responsible for coordination and completion of institutional surveys and Cazenovia College's participation in national data sharing and institutional research. She will provide data analysis and preparation of reports for both internal and external use and distribution. A key function of this position is the translation of data into usable information for all levels of assessment at the College.

"I am thrilled to have been given the opportunity to utilize my research and analysis skills here at Cazenovia College," she says. Miller is enthusiastic about future projects and notes that she was drawn to Cazenovia College because of its small-town atmosphere and opportunity to know individuals on a personal level.



Photo: Kim Hill

Office of Student Life and Development Welcomes New Face, New Vision

Avisionary with a zest for education has taken the Cazenovia College campus by storm. With a background rich in counseling, planning and programming, **Idonas Hughes**, associate dean for student development and coordinator of judicial affairs, descended upon the campus in June 2008 and has since been a guiding force for students.

Hughes foresees new Student Life activities on the horizon for Cazenovia College students. In addition to enhancing the existing variety of programs, he and his colleagues are collaborating to present special topic lectures, host divisional study groups and launch a programming survey. They will increase their focus on residence life by emphasizing the residential community concept, introducing new residence hall traditions, encouraging involvement in residential government and expanding living-learning environments. They will also seek to invigorate the first year experience, offer programs specific to each class year and serve the needs of graduating seniors.

A steady stream of new ideas, a mix of expertise, and a combination of staff skills surely presents the Office of Student Life and Development with a recipe for success.



Idonas Hughes, associate dean for student development and coordinator of judicial affairs, discusses an upcoming retreat with junior Desiree Zabriskie, interior design major from Branchville, N.J.

Photo: Tasha Johnson



My Favorite Books - to Teach

By Warren Olin-Ammentorp

Sometimes people ask if I have favorite books. I usually reply that if you asked me to choose ten or a hundred or even a thousand favorites, I could always come up with one or two or ten more. After all, I'm an English professor because I love books and reading.



Photo: Tasha Johnson

"...being an English professor is more than just loving books and reading; it's equally a matter of teaching - sharing - my love of books and reading with students."

- Warren Olin-Ammentorp

from them - learn better ways of seeing themselves and their worlds.

These books demonstrate the importance of knowing a lot - that as humans we must all undertake journeys and make mistakes, partly because it's human nature to do so, but also because we must never be content with what we already know and think.

Thus, these books demonstrate that it's important to pay attention - that for the heroes, as for readers, there is nothing so small or insignificant that it does not play a part in the whole. And finally, they teach us to appreciate what we find in life. Whether fantasy or realism, whether old or new, these books show us that the more aware we are, the more worthwhile our lives become.

Reading makes us wiser by making us more attentive; attention makes us wiser by making us more appreciative. If we can learn to do this well with a book, at least every so often, perhaps we can do it in our lives as well.

Warren's favorites - in no particular order:

The Odyssey, by Homer

This familiar story of a man battling monsters and getting home is always worth reading. It's a fun adventure, but also a deeply thought out portrait of what it means to be a human being. It is only by telling his own story to others that Odysseus overcomes his greatest obstacle and finds his path toward home. Homer shows us why we need stories in the first place - because life is varied and complex and



Photo: Tasha Johnson

confusing and we need a way to sort out all the bits so we can see the underlying truths of life.

Pride and Prejudice and/or Emma,

by Jane Austen

Lots of people like Jane Austen, but she's even more enjoyable when we recognize her true strengths. Good love stories with happy endings are nice, but Austen shows that love and happiness are not so simple. A powerful satirist, her characters portray all that is wrong with what we think is the best in ourselves - which makes true love even more difficult and even more important. Moreover, she writes perfect narrative plots and crafts immaculate prose. There is nothing in her greatest novels that does not teach us something useful about literature and life.

The Lord of the Rings,

by J. R. R. Tolkien

Famous as a writer of fantasy adventure, Tolkien teaches us that difference between entertainment and literature is not a matter of genre, but a matter of depth. Tolkien drew upon his deep knowledge of language and culture to create a dense and intricate imaginary world. In that world, knowledge of history and the world beyond the doorstep make all the difference. Without this knowledge we are apt to become selfish, reclusive, even evil; with them we can see the best in others, find friendship in the strangest places, and survive through our love for one another. Tolkien's magic is deep - and reading him slowly and carefully in the company of others is one of the greatest pleasures I know.

War and Peace, by Leo Tolstoy

It may or may not be the greatest of all

novels, but it is one of the greatest. It is rich with unforgettable characters, rich with action, rich with ideas and insights. Once, a special group of students wanted a chance to read it. They asked, it happened, and it was wonderful.

Maus,

by Art Spiegelman

First, this comic has helped many people see why it's wrong to call comics simple and juvenile. Second, this comic best represents what comics have to offer. Through the interaction of images and printed words arranged on pages, Spiegelman does more than tell a story of suffering and survival; he also shows us that understanding the impact of history on individual human lives is a complex and difficult task - because perspectives shift, words change meanings, languages differ, things are not always what they seem, and our efforts to grasp the truth are always influenced by personal circumstances.

Where the Wild Things Are, by Maurice Sendak

Sendak's work is just a simple children's picture book - except that it isn't. Reading a book we think we understand, a book we think is simple to understand, is often difficult. We have to consider basic issues: Where are the words? What size are the pictures? Do the words and pictures all match in the ways we think they should? If we pay attention, really pay attention, to this book, we discover wonderful things. We discover that it's possible for a boy to be a wild thing . . . and not. We also discover that it's possible to run off to do wild things . . . and still find love and forgiveness waiting for us in the place we never left.

About the Author:

Professor of English Warren Olin-Ammentorp

began teaching at Cazenovia College in 1990. Over the past two decades, he has focused his energies on teaching and service. His professional interests include the history of the novel, children's literature, and genre studies. His service projects have included work on college accreditation, strategic planning, and assessment. He has also directed the College's annual Faculty Library Lecture Series in cooperation with the Cazenovia Public Library and the Manlius Library.

Olin-Ammentorp earned a bachelor of arts degree from Carleton College, a master of arts degree from the University of Chicago, and his Ph.D., from the University of Michigan.

In addition to being named the honorary member of the sophomore class in 2001, Olin-Ammentorp received the Distinguished Faculty Achievement Award in 2008. A sampling of the courses he has taught over the years includes British, American and World Literatures; Literature and Culture (1600-1750 and 1750-1900); Children's Literature; Myth and the Modern Mind; Tolkien's The Lord of the Rings; and Introduction to Comics and Sequential Art.

In his spare time he enjoys drawing, music, learning, reading, and spending time with his wife, Julie Olin-Ammentorp - a professor of English at Le Moyne College - and their two children.



Photo: Hugh Tift



Designing in the Real World

Interior design student completes executive conference room rendering for international company



According to instructor Susan Farrell (left), senior Jessica Hall's (right) rendering of a new executive conference room at Lockheed Martin was accepted as proposed.

Interior design instructor **Susan Farrell** feels strongly about providing student interns with real world working experience. In addition to her teaching role at Cazenovia College, Farrell is a professional designer at Corporate Interiors, a commercial interior design firm in Syracuse, N.Y. "We expose our interns to everything," says Farrell.

Interiors needed a three-dimensional visual rendering (3-D Viz) of an executive conference room to present to their client, Lockheed Martin, a global security and information technology company. "We immediately thought of Cazenovia College; the students are a great

"They go out in the field and participate with our senior designers on real projects with real deadlines."

Working in the design field and teaching at the College have allowed Farrell to collaborate with students in and out of the classroom, combining expert instruction with industry experience, as well as providing opportunities for aspiring interior designers to add to their professional portfolios. Such was the case with senior **Jessica Hall**, of Liverpool, N.Y., a transfer interior design student, who recently benefited from a unique opportunity.

Farrell and Corporate

resource," says Farrell. She invited students in her History of Architecture and Interiors class to take on the rendering project, which required a complete design, including floors, walls, ceiling, furniture, lighting and more.

"I was pleased that Jessica expressed her interest. She was the perfect choice," said Farrell, who was aware of Hall's work ethic and professional attitude after interacting with her the previous summer when Hall was an intern with Dobkin Tile in Syracuse.

After selecting Hall for the job, Farrell gave her the floor plan, some hand-drawn sketches and samples of fabric, carpet, hard surfaces, and pictures of the selected furnishings, from which to work. Hall took the folder full of materials and finished the project in a weekend, well in advance of the client's deadline. "She did a wonderful job turning the materials into an executive conference room that the client could fully conceptualize."

Hall says, "This was an amazing chance for me to grow and gain tangible experience, add to my portfolio and design a board room for an international company. The project also had some sentimental value since my dad recently retired from Lockheed Martin. I designed a new conference room at a company and in a meeting room where my dad spent so much time."

Hall's work exceeded Farrell's expectations. "It is one of the best renderings that Corporate Interiors has ever presented," she says. "I cannot tell you how proud I am to say that Jessica is a student of mine at Cazenovia College."

"This was an amazing chance for me to grow and gain tangible experience..."

- Jessica Hall

Honors Students Study the Holocaust

"Meditate that this came about"

In his poem, "Survival in Auschwitz," Primo Levi wrote,

*You who live safe in your warm houses,
You who find, returning in the evening,
Hot food and friendly faces ...
Meditate that this came about."*

Cazenovia College's All College Honors Holocaust Seminar follows Levi's dictate: to wonder that genocide can happen. Eight seminar students recently toured the Museum of Jewish Heritage in New York City and the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. The trip was underwritten by Trustee **Richard Alberding** and his wife, Marilyn.

The seminar follows a fall semester lecture by Diane Ackerman, author of "The Zookeeper's Wife," a chronicle of heroism during the Holocaust.

Dr. Grazyna Kozaczka, professor of English and director of the All College Honors Program, and **Dr. Sharon Dettmer**, associate professor of social science and chair of the Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences, are team-teaching the seminar, each in areas related to her own academic field.

After the tour, students shared their experiences. **Samantha Brooks** began, "As we walked to the hotel in New York City, I felt like a stranger in a place where the natives know who is a tourist. I thought about how those who were persecuted must have felt about wearing the Star of David."

"One of the best things for me," said **Laura Duchette**, "was that the heritage



(L-R): Sharon Dettmer, with Marisa Shea, Megan Relyea, and Heather Kicsak standing in front of the remains of the sculpture that had been outside the World Trade Center.

Of the museums Dettmer said, "Focusing on the personal aspects of the holocaust not only brought to life the devastation and horror, but more important, the heroism of the many people who were able to fight back and save lives."

museum showed people individually." **Alexis MacDonald** explained that the memorial museum showed what "the people went through - the hardships they endured."

Heather Kicsak added, "At the heritage museum we followed a survivor from his childhood home to the ghetto, and then to a concentration camp, where he saw his mother and sister for the last time."

"I knew only a little about Jewish history and culture," **Marisa Shea** said. "I was surprised to learn about pogroms, and to discover how targeted Jews were before Hitler ever came to power."

"I saw what each person suffered," **Olivia Bosies** said, "and realized they were not just Jews, or Poles or Gypsies, but individuals who had families, jobs, and lives."

Caralyn Zaleski wondered "how the Nazis justified to themselves the

things they were doing, and why people didn't object more strongly."

After attending the play "Wicked" **Megan Relyea** said "we realized the Wizard's giving the Munchkins a common enemy was similar to the persecution of the Jews or other races throughout history, and related the play to genocide and the consequences of racism."

Kozaczka recognizes how discomfiting it can be to confront events such as the Holocaust. She said, "Even though visits to Holocaust museums cause emotional distress, we have a responsibility to know and to remember what happened to millions of victims."

Racism and genocide are still in the world; governments still turn away. The 14 honors students in the seminar are learning, sometimes painfully, how it can happen.



Alumni Gatherings

The fall and winter months were very busy as alumni, trustees, parents, and friends of the College gathered in Boston, Mass., New York City, Syracuse, N.Y., and Charlotte, N.C., to reconnect and reminisce about their times at Cazenovia College.



BOSTON
November 2008

Photo: Laura Benoit



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(L-R): Current parents Deanne and Timothy Harrington



NEW YORK CITY
January 2009

(L-R): Trustee Betsy Rosenfield Samet, Trustee Brad Wheler, Julie Wheler, Trustee Emeritus Bob Constable, Trustee Dorion Germany '92, Cyndi Pratt Tierno, Trustee Michael Flannery '86, President Mark Tierno and Alumni Association Board member Kristin Burger '07



NEW YORK CITY
January 2009

(L-R): Illya Castillo-Becktold '95 and Melissa Frydlo '91

(L-R): Director of Alumni Relations Shari Whitaker, Katherine Anderson Sillari '70, Martha Dyer Hooper '62, Robin Barber Jackson '58, Kristin Wivagg '69, Christopher Barry '87, Melissa Frydlo '91, Lisa Wessels Roderick '75, Claudia Clark '76, Trustee Al Budney and Karen Budney



CAZENOVIA
December 2008

Photo: Wayne Westervelt

Seated in front: Trustee Emeritus and former Dean of Students Winnie Coleman
Standing (L-R): Margaret Walker Harris '67, Doris Eversfield Webster '46, Pat Heffernan '65, Nancy LeValley Farley '69, Mary Burton Thompson '59, Judith Bond Clarke '59 and Marilyn Adams Lewis '47



NEW YORK CITY
January 2009

(L-R): Kristin Burger '07, Alyssa Piccoli '07, Danielle Vacca '07, Ashley Warner '07, Alison Bonanni '06, Alice Chapman '85 and Margie Russell '72

Photo: Laura Benoit

Watch your mailboxes for more information on 2009 outreach events in your area.

May 6 - New York City

- Interior Design Alumni Affinity Reunion
- Joining us will be Professor of Interior Design Josef Ritter
Time: 6 - 8 p.m.
Location: TBD

June 12 - 14 - Cazenovia, N.Y.

- Reunion Weekend

July/August-

- Young Alumni Gathering New York City
- Saranac Brewery Tour Utica, N.Y.

August 10 - Cazenovia, N.Y.

- Alumni Association Golf Tournament 12:30 p.m.

August 12 - 16 - Pittsford, N.Y.

- Walnut Hill Driving Competition

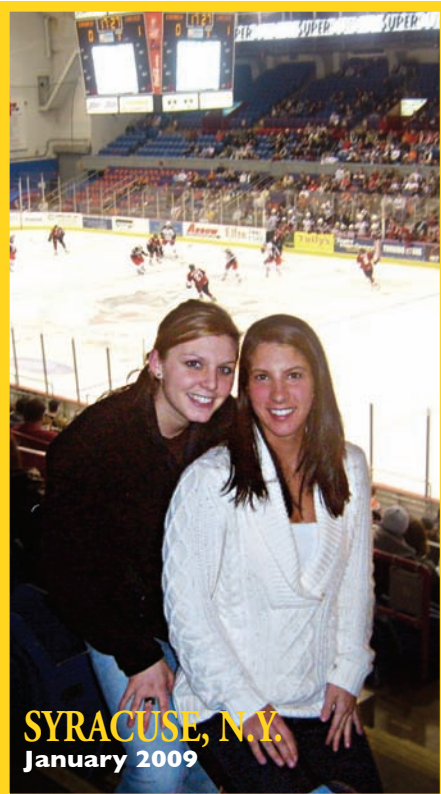
• For further information please contact Director of Alumni Relations Shari Whitaker at 315.655.7332 or sswhitaker@cazenovia.edu

In fond Memory

Cazenovia College notes the deaths of the following alumni and friends:

- Lloyd Shephard '26
- Phoebe Dumas Burton '39
- Jo Berman '80
- Mary Klysa Hammond

Please continue to keep us informed by forwarding information to Shari Whitaker in the Office of Alumni Relations at 315.655.7332 or sswhitaker@cazenovia.edu.



SYRACUSE, N.Y.
January 2009

(L-R): Kate Lincoln '08 and Lisa Folsom '07

Photo: Pete Wey '03



CHARLOTTE, N.C.
March 2009

(L-R): Fred Williams, Professor Emeritus of History and Roxanne Roth Blake '72

Photo: Shari Whitaker



CHARLOTTE, N.C.
March 2009

(L-R): Thomas Shepard '93, Malissa Homer De Mott '92, James Gross '94 and David Brown '93

Photo: Shari Whitaker

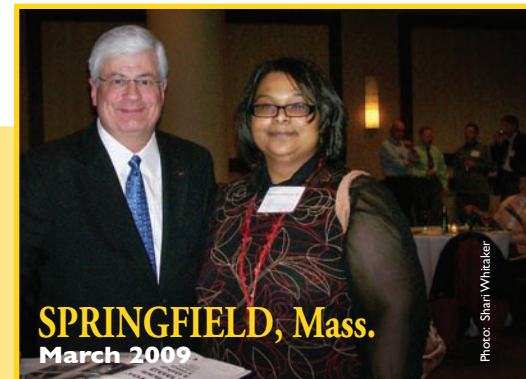


CHARLOTTE, N.C.
March 2009

Photo: Shari Whitaker

First row (L-R): Melanie Gross, Tina Thomas Berg '01, Pamela Vogtli Compson '71, Stephanie King '00
Second row (L-R): Malissa Homer De Mott '92, Jennifer Brown, Roxanne Roth Blake '72, Fred Williams, Jean Williams, Chad Hamed '99, Damon Douglas '92
Third row (L-R): David Brown '93, Jeffrey Blake, James Gross '94, Norman Compton, Thomas Shepard '93, Michael Mahan '00

(L-R): Dr. John Robert Greene and Deshaunna Henderson '92



SPRINGFIELD, Mass.
March 2009

Photo: Shari Whitaker

CLASS NOTES

Share Your News for Class Notes!

Please help keep our office and your friends up-to-date by sharing recent information. Have you moved? Changed jobs? Been promoted? Received an award? Said, "I do?" Welcomed a new baby? If so, please send us the details. Include your name, address, the year you graduated, telephone number and e-mail address. Future Class Notes will be limited to 80 words in order to accommodate the growing number of alumni submissions. Please identify individuals in photographs. Photographs will not be returned. **Send the information to:** Michele Sullivan, Alumni Relations, 22 Sullivan Street, Cazenovia, N.Y. 13035. Or e-mail msullivan@cazenovia.edu. Thank you!

1949 60th Honored Year
Sally Rollins Meinweiser '49 writes, "Our 60th reunion is creeping up on us. It would be terrific to get us all back to Caz. The changes on campus in 60 years are extraordinary. If you haven't been back you'll be in awe. Let's make 2009 a '49 year to remember. I look forward to seeing you at Reunion, June 12-14."

1951
Elizabeth Leighton Kent '51 writes, "Enjoying life of tennis, exercising and traveling while my husband works in New York and commutes to Hilton Head, S.C., on weekends. Seven grandchildren are great. The youngest are 13-year-old twins; the oldest is 25. I hear from **Mary Lee 'Brownie' McCabe '51.**"

1958
Susan Davis '58 recently retired from doing therapy work with her dogs at

Rush University in Chicago. She is still doing therapy work but closer to Joliet. Susan hopes to hear from her classmates!

1959 50th Honored Year
Judith Bond Clarke '59 and **Mary Burton Thompson '59** encourage classmates to start making plans to return to Cazenovia for Reunion, June 12-14. There will be lodging available in the new Shove Suites and a special 50th honored year reception at the President's House. They hope to see everyone there!

Patricia Gould Reske '59 writes, "Hello 1959 classmates. It is with much regret that I will be unable to attend our 50th reunion. All is fine and I send my love and best wishes to all of you. Have a great time!"

1960
Sheila Haber Friedman '60 writes, "My husband, Harvey, and I celebrated our 49th



Harvey and Sheila Haber Friedman '60 and President Barack Obama

anniversary on Valentine's Day. We have four children and twelve grandchildren. We had an exciting opportunity to personally meet with Barack Obama last May at a rally in Tampa, Fla. We were assigned our own secret service agent, who escorted us backstage after the rally to meet with Mr. Obama. When my husband told him that he would be the next president, Mr. Obama responded,

'from your mouth to God's ears' and then hugged him. Then he said to us 'let's take a family picture.' He is very personable and easy to converse with. We were so enthusiastic about his candidacy that for the first time in our lives, we volunteered at a local campaign office. We have lived in Florida since 1987."

Barbara Stec McClain '60 writes, "Now retired, I'm busier than ever. For the past two years and for the next two, I have been president of the San Bernardino Federated Republican Women's Club. Also a member of Epsilon Sigma Alpha (a philanthropic and educational society) I received the honor of being selected Outstanding Woman 2008 for the State of New Mexico. It was a real surprise, as many qualified ladies were candidates. I would love to hear from my dorm mates around the country."

1961
Virginia Owen Philippy '61 writes, "After retiring from 25 years of teaching art and enjoying a year of freedom, I have returned to a two-day-a-week position at a local private school and LOVING every minute of getting covered in paint again!"

Martha Millard Sprague '61 writes, "Don and I are enjoying our home in Colorado. After years of moving due to military service, and management and ownership in a real estate company, it's nice to be home. We have four children and soon-to-be seven grandchildren."

Norma Amorosi Fanzo '61 wants to contact classmates from 1959-60. Please e-mail her at nfanzo520@aol.com or call 410.903.0284. Norma is currently living in St. Petersburg, Fla. She is most interested in contacting roommate **Colleen O'Shea '61** from Cortland, N.Y.



Teaching in Two Worlds

Critz Farms business complements classroom career



Juanita Ares Critz '78 has spent most of her working life with three jobs: motherhood, teaching, and helping her husband, Matthew, build their Cazenovia farm into a successful agri-tourism attraction, centered on diversified agriculture and focused on family entertainment.

"I wanted to teach nursery school," she says, "and I wanted a college near home (Manlius, N.Y.). I visited Cazenovia College and knew right away I wanted to go there. It was a great fit."

Critz teaches elementary special education, but early childhood was her first passion. "Working at the college nursery school really helped me find my niche. I began working with kids with disabilities at Caz too," she says.



Photos: John Steiner

"I interned at Syracuse University's day care center; then was hired full-time. One of the perks was free tuition," she continues. "I earned my bachelor's degree in elementary education, and my master's in special education." She worked for Easter Seals in Florida and ran her own preschool program in Connecticut, before returning to Cazenovia to settle down.

Critz says, "Matthew and I both have the entrepreneurial spirit, and our skills really complement each others'. He does all the farming and we work together on the rest. Balancing the farm, teaching and parenting was a challenge, but I was lucky enough to negotiate a job share at my school. That gave me more time for the children and Critz Farms."

Critz serves on the board of the Cazenovia Area Community Development Association (CACDA), a group dedicated to enhancing the area's economy while preserving its rural and historic characteristics, and is a member of Madison County Tourism, and the Greater Cazenovia Area Chamber of Commerce.

Critz and her husband share the philosophy 'work hard-play hard.' "We love to travel, and now that we're empty-nesters it's a little easier. I look forward to stepping back from the farm work and retiring from teaching, but I'm not ready to give any of it up just yet."

"I visited Cazenovia College and knew right away I wanted to go there."

- Juanita Ares Critz

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Donna Norcross Schardt '61 lives in Richmond, Va., and Moneta, Va., in the summer. She has been married to James Schardt for 40-plus years and has three children and six grandchildren. Donna would love to hear from classmates. Her e-mail address is: DNSchardt@aol.com.

1962

Martha Dyer Hooper '62 writes, "Attended Cazenovia alumni gathering in November 2008 at The Harvard Club in Boston. Fun to connect with other alums and meet some of the staff! Enjoying retirement and our grandchildren: 18, 13, 11 and 2."

Mary Sassman Comer '62 is married to husband, Roger. She retired from a 21-year flight attendant career with Piedmont/USAirways in 2004. Mary is living on

the coast of North Carolina on the Intra-Coastal Waterway, waiting for the 'final' retirement when she and her boat-loving husband will take off for good to the islands on their 34 PDQ powercat. Mary has three children and four grandchildren. She is looking for **Jane Lee '62**. Find her at TEAMWORK@atmc.net.

1963

Bonnie Rose George '63 writes, "2008 was a wonderful year...and 2009 is even better! I was married the day after Thanksgiving to Peter Schied, an exceptional man. Thanks to my incredible Cazenovia classmates, **Jane Spivey Dashine '63**, **Susie Weston Violi '63** and **Rebecca Corning Chapman '63** for leading me in the right direction in the romance department!! Now here is the very best news...my daughter gave me my first grandchild...a bouncing baby boy! What a joy. Henry Leo Schulz...I'm thinking movie mogul! Hello to all my Caz classmates....what times we had!"

1964 45th Honored Year

Marcia Hoffman Machemer '64 and **Carolyn Loeffler Sterner '64**, class agents for the Class of 1964, are looking forward to seeing everyone at their 45th honored year Reunion, June 12-14. Marcia and Carolyn write, "It's hard to believe it has been that long since we were all together at graduation. It seems like almost yesterday that we were wearing our Caz beanies as freshmen. We hope you have marked your calendar for June so we can renew old friendships and reminisce about those great years at Cazenovia."

Tekla Dennison Miller '64 announces the release of her new novel, *Inevitable Sentences*, Medallion Press. Tekla writes, "But more important, I hope to see my classmates at our 45th reunion in June. I will be attending with my husband, Chet."

Stephanie Kravec '64 writes, "Hello everyone from 1964. I can't believe it's almost 45 years. I currently live in Westchester County. I completed my master's degree in social work and have been in private practice in NYC and Westchester since 1980. I serve on the board of Eastern Group Therapy Society and do some part-time teaching. I love returning to Cazenovia and recently bought a small house on DeRuyter Lake (8 miles from Caz). Let's try to come together at this year's reunion, June 12-14. My e-mail is Skravec@aol.com."

Marra Casserino Giuliano '64 writes, "At Christmas I hear from **Beth Lake Goldin '64** and **Paula Carreria Andrewson '64**. This year I got a special treat, hearing from my 'roomie,' **Mary Callen Panlener '64** by phone. All are well. We wonder where are **Patsy Jarvis '64**, **Nancy Bobrick Michaud '64** and **Sue Massey '64**. For me, the holiday season always brings to mind **Helen "Pindy" Mastin Brister '64**, who died and whose Christmas call I'll always miss. Several summers ago while on vacation on the Cape, we met one of her sons and her grandchild. It was bittersweet. Husband Michael and I retired from the family business four years ago. He has become a wonderful woodworker, and I have returned to my painting and have taken up writing. I suggest you read our class president, **Tekla Dennison Miller's '64** first book 'A Bowl of Cherries.' It's absolutely wonderful and so well written. Hard to believe 45 years have passed since we graduated Cazenovia. We had no idea those were some of the best years of our lives. Regards and good health to all!"

Joan Goldman Zoslow '64 had lunch in March with development director Joan Brooks in Washington, D.C. They looked through the class yearbook and alumni directory and talked about nicknames, dorms and Albert's. "I hope all is well with everyone from Centennial and Hubbard. A special hello to **Sue Massey** and **Marra Casserino**."

1965

Ann Hustleby Hohman '65 writes, "Has anyone seen **Stephanie Ingham**? I am looking for her. I live half the year in Port St. Lucie, Fla., and half the year in Narragansett, R.I. Daughter, Kate, got married in September 2008. I would love to hear from old friends."

1966

Sandy Botti Bethlenfalvy '66 writes, "I graduated in 1966 and can honestly say my two years at Cazenovia were among the best of my life. I went on to get my bachelor's degree at Kent State University. I will celebrate 40 years of marriage on August 3. I have two children and a 6-month-old grandson. I am currently employed by a local home builder as a consulting sales assistant and love it. I would love to hear from **Barbara Miller '66** and **Cathy Garnet '66**."

CAZENOVIA COLLEGE
HAS RECEIVED
GIFTS FROM
ALUMNI AND FRIENDS:

In Honor of:

Jennifer Sullivan Flannery,
Class of 1985
Dr. Robert Julian
Christopher Tacea

In Memory of:

Peter B. Ridings
Linda Serafino
June Webster,
Class of 1945
Jacquelyn Savage Williams,
Class of 1936

For information about making gifts in honor or in memory of a classmate, professor or a loved one, please contact Joan Brooks, director of development, at 315.655.7108 or jbrooks@cazenovia.edu.

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Passing the Torch

Cazenovia alumnus returns to secondary school alma mater

to my work; my human services major served me well."

Brooks was soon promoted to supervisor, but jumped at the opportunity to become assistant dean of students at his secondary school alma mater, St. James School, in St. James, Md. He also coached football, baseball and basketball, which led him into his current position as athletics director.

"People like **Dr. Maureen Louis**, and **Dr. Bob Greene**, always took the time to give me a kick when I needed it, but encouraged me when I did something right. Dr. Greene stayed on me all four years - he expected things of me, and his influence has stayed with me."

"I played baseball and basketball at Caz," he says. "Our basketball team didn't win for a long time, but Coach Todd Widrick was committed and

had high expectations. By the time I was a senior, and team captain, we had a winning team."

"I love working with young people," he says, "seeing their possibilities, and seeing them go out into the world. I have been blessed with the people in my life - teachers at St. James, and then at Cazenovia College. I've seen the torch being passed - now it's in my hands."

"I transferred to Cazenovia because my brother, Will, was there, and kept telling me all these cool things," says **Michael Brooks '01**, a graduate of the Human Services Program. "I connected with people with different interests who came together to create a great community. I faltered at first," says Brooks. "Nailing down time management and goal-setting skills was key. With support, I learned to be independent, responsible and accountable."

"In my first job with the Board of Child Care of the United Methodist Church, I found that my education really applied

Brooks and his wife, Erica, have two children - Madison (5) and Charlie (2). "My job is a big time commitment," he says, "but because we live on campus I'm able to spend lots of time with my family and friends."



Photos: Courtesy of Michael Brooks



Photo: Marc Bryan-Brown Photography

1968

Ruth Kunst Voetelink '68 became a great-grandmother on September 28, 2008. Audrey Alexis-Marie Johnston came into the world at 11:38 p.m., weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces and 20 inches long. Mother and baby are doing fine.

Susan Sturtevant Dailey '68 writes, "My husband, Fred, and I have lived in Houston for 28 years. My first career in retail spanned a 22-year period, most recently with Saks Fifth Avenue in Houston. My second career as a travel agent continues... Hi to many friends from Watts!"

Karen Johnson Lamb '68 writes, "I just wanted to say I had a wonderful chat with Kimmy Norton, Class of 2012. I look back to my time at Caz with a warm heart and a smile. I am retired now. My education allowed me to get a job as a research technician that I worked at for 30 years. Now I can sit back and enjoy myself."

Prudence Temple Marsh '68 writes, "Peter and I celebrated our 30th anniversary. We have three children. Kirsten is married and has four children. Ada lives in Wilkes-Barre and is attending Liberty University on-line. Alex is in his junior year at Liberty University in Lynchburg, Va. We have four grandchildren; Maegan, 15; Daniel, 12; Ben, 9; and Nathaniel, 3."

Betsie Wallace Taber '68 is now a real estate consultant in South West Florida, in the Sarasota area. Her Web site is www.TheBestofSarasota.com.

1969 40th Honored Year

Nancy LeValley Farley '69 writes, "I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our 40th reunion in June. Would love to see a big turnout for the Class of '69! Check out our page on Facebook; Caz College Class of 1969. Make sure to leave a message on the wall and comment on the posted topics; or add a new topic yourself. Who knows?! You might find a long-lost classmate!"

Janice Wegener Grieshaber '69 was recently engaged. The organization Janice heads, The Jenna Foundation for Nonviolence, was recently recognized for service to the community by the Jewish Community Center.

Holly Taylor Young '69 writes, "After forty years away, I would be interested in coming back but only with a little help from my friends. Where are you **Colleen, Debbie, Marsha, Molly, Sally and Grace?**"

Patti Haskell '69 was ordained from the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College in 2006 and then spent a year in Albuquerque doing a one-year chaplaincy internship. In August 2007, she moved to Encinitas, Calif., to work at Seacrest Village Community as their rabbi. Patti writes, "I am really thrilled with the work, which is quite varied (leading services for Sabbath and holidays, teaching, doing chaplaincy, etc.) and incredibly nourishing. Living near the beach and not far from the desert is heavenly. My son and mother are still on the east coast, so I do miss them. My sister is out here with me for a while. I would love to reconnect with my Caz friends (and you can find me on Facebook!)"

Karen Lekander Pieper '69 writes, "My husband, Gary, and I have lived in Sweetwater, N.J., for 26 years. We are both retired and enjoying it! We have one son, Matt, who lives in New York City and works as a reporter/anchor. Gary's two older sons and their wives both live in N.J., and between them we have four wonderful grandchildren. We spend our time between homes in Sweetwater and North Myrtle Beach, S.C. 'Life is Good!'"

1970

Katherine Anderson Sillari '70 lives in Topsfield, Mass., with her husband. She has two children; Caroline, 23, and Andrew, 21. Katherine has spoken to **Mary Kesel '70** and **Kay MacCormack '70**.

Linda Lee Potter '70 and husband, Bill, have been married 36 years and have lived in Glen Ridge, N.J., for 26 years. The couple have three children; Lisa, Meredith and Andrew. Linda writes, "Lisa and husband, Andy, recently made us grandparents when Nathaniel 'the cutest baby that ever was' was born in October 2008. Hi to everyone from the Class of 1970!"

Janice Williams '70 writes, "Two granddaughters Delaney O'Dea Malone (5) and McKenna Finney Malone (3). Still living in Elmira, N.Y. Recently had a reunion with **Marilyn Turner '70** who lives in Abington, Mass. We are planning on coming to our 40th next year along with **Nancy Stolp O'Brien '70** and **Trish VonWellsheim Rhodes '70!!** Where are you **Gail Weiss!!!**"

1971

Scottie O'Toole '71 writes, "I visited Cazenovia over Labor Day weekend this past year and was very favorably impressed with all new and refurbished facilities on campus. The place looked beautiful with lovely landscaping and wonderful use of old space. The new art building is most impressive, as is the bookstore. Also had a chance to visit with several Caz alums...**Judith Bond Clarke '59, Carmela Peters '73, Darlene Price Pulkinen '75, Patti Rickett Christakos '77, Janet Willingham Enders '71** and **Carolyn Cooney '73**, former dean of students. It was a wonderful mini-reunion!"

Pamela Vogtli Compson '71 writes, "My husband and I recently moved from Rochester, N.Y., to a Sun City community just south of Charlotte, N.C. We are enjoying retirement in an active adult community. So many clubs and things to do, so little time to do them all."

Margaret Winslow Montgomery '71 writes, "Thank you for the excellent calendar. It was beautiful and brought back lots of memories. I am trying to get in touch with my classmates and lost addresses when my computer crashed. You can reach me at 146 Lawrence Point, Fourth Lake, Old Forge, N.Y. 13420 or mmont@telenet.net."

1972

Roxanne Roth Blake '72 writes, "Spent 28 years in Gourmet Food, Wine and Cheese. Retired and now devoting 100% of my time and activities to Animal Rescue and Shelters! I am happily married with two children and three step-children."

Joan Halperin Rabin '72 lives in Atlanta and retired in 2004 from teaching special education. Her husband, Dan, is a manager at Citigroup. The couple has three daughters. Sarah, 24, lives in New York City, and is an NBC Page currently working at the TODAY Show. Michelle, 21, is a senior at the University of Georgia majoring in social work. Stephanie, 21, is a senior at the University of Florida, majoring in counseling. Joan would love to hear from **Tina** and **Barb**. E-mail me at dray461208@aol.com.

Mary "MJ" Kilian Walker '72 writes, "Hello Classmates from 1972! The years have really flown by. We're moving towards our 40th year reunion in 2012. Mark your calendars NOW to join us at

this year's Reunion, June 12-14, so we can start making plans!! I realize the problem with the economy has hit us all, but I'm asking each member of our class to please give at least \$5 as a donation this year. If we each give \$5, our scholarship fund would be growing and we would show our College that we really care in helping a student have the great opportunity we had. Also, we would like to get a Cazenovia College Rochester Alumni Chapter going, so if you live in the Rochester area and would like to participate please contact me via e-mail at mwalke3@rochester.rr.com or contact the Alumni Office."

Faye Jordan Titus '72 writes, "Our family has been busy and growing. Our youngest is a freshman at Hofstra University and his love of acting continues. Our daughter is designing upscale clothing stores for a firm in New York City. Our oldest son, David, and wife Phoebe, are starting a video/theater business in Pennsylvania. Dave and Phoebe added a baby sister, Natalia, to our first granddaughter, Cordelia (4). Peter is with MIT Fusion and General Atomics. I am with them all as often as possible and volunteer when possible. We do a fair bit of travel. Hello to all from Shove

Alumna to Address the Graduates

Melissa Klish Dino '89 will return to the campus of her alma mater to address the graduates at Cazenovia College's 184th Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, May 16, 2009.

A producer for *Sesame Street* for more than 16 years, Dino has created educational programming that is viewed across the globe. Dino has won nine Emmy awards.



Photo: Marc Bryan-Brown Photography

• For more information about Commencement 2009, visit www.cazenovia.edu/commencement.

A Cazenovia Graduate's Canterbury Tale

*Renee Carman '07
finds success abroad*



Photo: Sarah Carman

Renee Carman '07 enjoys walking by the Thames River in London, England.

As **Renee Carman '07** was growing up in Cortland County, N.Y., she never knew she would someday tell her own Canterbury tale.

Intrigued by Cazenovia College's fashion program, she attended a portfolio interview with **Professor Corky Goss**. After this meeting, Carman was inspired to major in visual communications, a field that combined all her creative talents. As seasons passed, Carman strengthened her portfolio, joined extracurricular activities and perfected her design skills.

In the spring of her sophomore year, she heard about the Canterbury study abroad program. Drawn to a new challenge, she became a member of the inaugural class of the College's study abroad program at Canterbury Christ Church University. Carman credits **President Mark Tierno** with being a guiding force in her ultimate choice.

In fall 2005, Carman journeyed to Canterbury, England, for a specialized

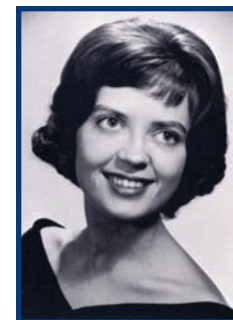
one-semester program. "I loved living in Canterbury," added Carman. "I learned what it was to be an American." She notes that her short time in England allowed her to learn and experience British culture.

After she graduated from Cazenovia College, Carman moved to Epsom, England, to obtain her master's degree in graphic design and communication (professional) from the University for the Creative Arts at Epsom. Her design credentials opened the way to her current position as a programs and pricing assistant in the Branding and Marketing Department for Western Digital, a global leader in digital storage. Her future goals include working as an account manager for a design consultancy.

"There is no substitute for international learning experiences," says Tierno. "Renee represents an example of someone who would never have dreamed to earn a master's degree in another country, and yet, that's exactly what she's done."

Jill Hebl St. Clair Endowed Scholarship Announced

Fund in memory of St. Clair will benefit Cazenovia College students



The late **Jill Hebl St. Clair '62** was the inspiration for a scholarship at her alma mater, given by her husband, James H. "Jimmy" St. Clair of Houston, Texas. Hebl St. Clair, who graduated from Cazenovia in 1962, died in 2006 after a brief battle with cancer.

A native of Freeport, Long Island, N.Y., Jill Hebl went to work for Shell Oil after her graduation. In 1970, Shell transferred her to Houston, Texas, where she met Jimmy St. Clair at a Houston ski club. They married in 1994.

Hebl St. Clair, who retired from Shell after 39 years of service, also served as president of the West Houston Shell Alumni Club, treasurer of Space City Ski Club and secretary of Houston Underwater Club. She was active with her church and a loyal Red Cross blood donor.

Jimmy St. Clair has given \$110,000 to fund the scholarship, specifying that funds will be awarded to a female Cazenovia College student with financial need who excels academically, and is entering her freshman or sophomore year at the College. The first scholarship will be awarded in 2010.

Dr. Mark J. Tierno, president of Cazenovia College, said, "Gifts like this allow our students to learn and advance in our small community environment, just as Jill Hebl St. Clair did when she was a student here. Mr. St. Clair has made a commitment to honor her memory by assisting, in perpetuity, other young women at Cazenovia College. Gifts like this are what make it possible for us to succeed in our mission of building futures for America's young people."

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first floor. Wishing you and your families the best."

1973

Amy Serling Hagan '73 is a third grade teacher at Burton Street Elementary in Cazenovia. Amy has three children; Peter, 27, of Geneva, N.Y.; Tim, 24, of Boston, Mass.; and Carrie, a senior at Cazenovia High School. Amy has been married to Barney Hagen for 28 years. She writes, "Would love to reunite with my Cazenovia College friends. **Curtiss** (where are you?), **Gail, Carol, Alison, Betsy, Pricilla** and **Debbie** (Blobs!). Let's get together!"

Maria Hutsick '73 writes, "I recently came back to Caz after many years to speak at the Hall of Fame Banquet. I also was able to honor **Mrs. Mary Klysa**

Hammond, who taught business at the College for years. She helped me with financial aid and was the reason I could stay in school. Sadly, she passed away in January 2009. Caz was great and has grown tremendously. I resigned my position as director of sports medicine at Boston University after 27 years. I am now teaching and working as an athletic trainer at Medfield High School in Medfield, Mass."

Marian Birge '73 recently changed her business partnership to Garcia and Birge: A Professional Law Corporation. The firm practices in the areas of employment law and civil litigation, and is located in North San Diego County, Calif. Marian, with partner Silvia Garcia, recently contributed a chapter titled "Voir Dire and Plaintiff's Opening Statement" to a publication scheduled for release later this year, the American Bar Association Torts and Trial Practice Section's Litigating the Harassment Case.

Marina Guidetti '73 writes, "Still single. Have been working for Continental Airlines for the past 27 years, presently as an International Flight Attendant. I still travel all over the world, everywhere in Europe and as far as India and China. My son, Andrew, is a sophomore at UMass Dartmouth majoring in computer science engineering. On the side, I own and rent two doll house cottages in Cape Cod (summer and winter). If anyone is interested, please contact me at mtgsky@earthlink.net."

1975

Melanie Schwarz Seamans '75 writes, "I have lived in Tempe, Ariz., for the past 30 years with my husband of 30 years, Nick. We have a daughter, Breanne, 23, who will graduate summa cum laude in May from Arizona State University. Our son, Brett, 20, is graduating from the Conservatory of Recording Arts and Sciences. I have been working for the same company for 13 plus years as division

vice president of Life Care Centers of America, overseeing 34 skilled nursing centers in Arizona, Nevada, California and Utah. I would love to hear from any of my classmates!"

Jennifer Holmes '75 writes, "I have great kids and am happy to say that they are healthy, bright, well-traveled, and have a great love and ear for languages. Dylan, 23, is working as a junior talent agent in L.A.; Hunter, 21, is a sophomore at the University of the Pacific, preparing to spend next year studying at the University of Jordan on an ambassadorial scholarship. Scarlett, 15, will be living with a family in Paris next year. Yikes! I have been married for 30 years and live in Carmel, Calif. I think of **Carol, Gretchen, Barb** and **Anne** often. I hope you all are well! I still keep in touch with the handsome **Professor Hopkins!** Best wishes to all."

1977

Bianca Heard '77 writes, "Hello all. Hope all is well with everyone. The family now resides in Florida where the baby of the family, Ranazha, is finally in school. I'm taking classes for medical billing. I hope the Class of 1977 will drop a line at fbhcbh@yahoo.com to say hello."

Karen DiAngelo Eldridge '77 writes, "Life has been busy since 1977. Marriage, motherhood, business woman, etc. More recently I opened a women's boutique on Albany Street in Cazenovia, N.Y. Operating Isabella is great fun and hard work. I enjoy seeing alums when they return for alumni weekend in June.



Ranazha and Bianca Heard '77

My daughter, Britt, was married in November 2006, and my son, Ryan, was married in July 2008. Both have settled in the Boston area. Britt followed me in the fashion world. She's a designer and manufacturer of women's clothing. Her line is called Molly B and is sold all around the country. Ryan is in the IT world and extremely busy. My husband, Dave, retired 7 years ago from dentistry and is a great help to me in the store. I'll look forward to seeing you in the future....hopefully at our next reunion."

Mary Alice Jackson Westerlund '77 writes, "In 2005 I received my master of arts in pastoral studies from St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry in Rochester, N.Y. I completed five units of clinical pastoral education at Strong

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Memorial Hospital. In September 2008 I became the evening chaplain at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital in Binghamton, N.Y. My husband, Earl, and I are living in Binghamton."

1978

Peggi Werder Harris '78 writes, "Hello to all my Watts Hall friends. I am a proud grandma of three: Ava, 4; Cameron, 3; and Samuel, born in February 2009. I'm loving every minute of it. Scott and I still live in Honeoye, N.Y. I have been working at Stone Construction Equipment Company as a customer service manager for 27 years and love my job. Keep in contact!"

Kate Masterton '78 left the Maryland Attorney General's Office five years ago to start her own law firm. The firm is focused on estate planning, business law and equine law, with a particular emphasis on service to those in the horse industry. The Law Office of Kathleen J. Masterton, P.C., celebrates its five-year anniversary this year.

Melodee Crawford '78 writes, "The Crawford clan is doing well here in Denver, Colo. My triplets, Bella, Ethan and Eliza, are growing fast and will be seven this year - impossible to believe on my part. As a single mom, it's been tough finding a job that allows me the freedom to take care of my children



Bella, Ethan and Eliza Crawford

when necessary; however, I've been blessed to have recently taken a job as house manager/chef for a private family and love the cooking part of the job more than anything. My best friend purchased a home for us as a 50th birthday present. My kids really enjoy having a .75-acre backyard to play in. I'd

love to hear how anyone is doing from graduating classes of 1976 - 1978."

Susan Sira DeRocker '78 writes, "Hello to all Hubbard Hall friends and others too! I do think of all of you frequently and am sorry many of us have lost touch. We need to get together at the next reunion this June 12-14. Time is going by very quickly. I'm now an assistant principal at Saratoga Springs High School (in charge of special education). My sons are almost all grown up. Where did all the years go? Received an administrative certificate in August '07 from St. Rose - thought I'd never go back to school. My husband has been retired for five years and I hope to join him someday soon. We have traveling to do and there are many of you that I'd like to see. My e-mail address is s_derocker@saratogaschools.org. Drop me a line. I'd love to hear from YOU!"

1979 30th Honored Year

Tammy Michik '79 writes, "I travel a lot. I love to scuba dive but there are very few things I can do anymore as I have been disabled due to a fall. My right arm and hand have permanent nerve damage. I have been all over the Caribbean, Africa, Australia, Egypt and more."

1980

Karen Isherwood Fitzgerald '80 writes, "For the past several years we have lived in Westminster, Md. This year we will celebrate our 27th wedding anniversary. Our oldest son has a 6-year-old named Donovan Machaiah. Our daughter has two children, Ayden Michael, 2; and Kylie Marie, 1. Would love to hear from anyone from the Class of 1980 or Val from '81."

1981

Lorraine Smith Macrina '81 writes, "My husband and I will celebrate 28 years of marriage this summer and still live in Herkimer, N.Y. Our oldest son, Michael, 25, lives in Virginia and works in Washington, D.C., for 'Living Classrooms' in development. Our daughter Jessica, 21, graduates from Binghamton University this May and will go on to law school. Our youngest, Nicholas, is 16 and will be a senior next year. I work in a cardiac catheterization unit in Utica, N.Y., as a radiological technologist. Can't wait for our 30th!! Miss all of the girls from Farber."

1982

Tanya Ashley Kauffman '82 writes, "I have a small farm of my own in Canastota, N.Y. I am up to three horses (for now).

They keep me busy enough. Also do some small local shows and am having a ball doing it!"

Mary Clare Siple '82 writes, "I just wanted to let my old friends from Hubbard Hall know that I moved to Latham, N.Y. I've also started my own business, Silpada Designs. Visit my Web site at www.mysilpada.com/mary.siple to see all the great sterling silver jewelry. Hey, **Deb Roach Jakob '82**, where are you? **Lisa Collins '82** give me a call sometime. E-mail me at j2sm@localnet.com. Hope all is well with all of you and I hope to hear from some or all of you soon."

Carolyn Smoke Francis '82 is in a new social service position, working in the schools doing prevention work with children. She has a grandson, who is now 14 months old, two daughters in college and two teens at home. Carolyn writes, "Would love to hear from old friends from Caz: **Patti, Joann and Karen**. I hear from **Mur** once in a while but not since she moved to the East Coast. I still have to make it to one of the reunions. Maybe Jackie and I will trek back to Caz for the next one! My e-mail address is: ionekii-ose@hotmail.com. Write me!!"

1983

Tammy Rhinehart Howington '83 writes, "I have been living in Pennellville, N.Y., for the last 12 years with my husband Rickard and my son Ricky. I returned to college and am now a 7th grade English teacher in Syracuse, N.Y. I'm always busy with my son's sports. Life is good. I would love to hear from anyone - my e-mail address is tammyhowi@yahoo.com."

1984 25th Honored Year

Beverly Len Stark '84 writes, "Reunion for the Class of 1984 will be our 25th. How time has flown since we were students at Caz and went off and started new lives. I have always felt that Cazenovia is still close to my heart - a great place that molded me into the person I am today. As the class agent, I encourage everyone to call all your friends and come to the reunion, June 12-14. I would love to see everyone again. The College looks amazing. Hopefully you can come or support Cazenovia. Contact me. I would love to hear from everyone. Best to all!"

1986

Anne Blenn-Dudash '86 and Kevin Dudash have returned to Central New York to be with family and friends after nine years in Indianapolis. Together they

own a franchise CertaPro Painters (www.certapro.com). Anne writes, "Recently I have been reacquainted with old friends on Facebook. Ryan and Kaitlyn are 13 - man how time flies! albd@twcny.rr.com."

Heidi VanZandt '86 is the owner of Sunnycrest Flowers in Lowville, N.Y. The shop will be celebrating its 10-year anniversary. Heidi enjoys the creativity of working in the floral industry and using her graphic design background to produce all marketing and advertising material for the business. She can be reached at heidi@sunnycrestflowers.com.

1989 20th Honored Year

Melinda Klish Holicky '89 and **Melissa Klish Dino '89** write, "Mark your calendars and make plans to join us at Reunion Weekend 2009, June 12-14. We've been having a great time reconnecting with so many of you and a good turnout from our class is expected. Look for more details from the Alumni Office soon. We hope to see you there!"

Diana Marasco Sparkowski '89 and husband, John, recently moved from Honolulu, Hawaii, to Kingsbay, Calif., with their three children; Kyle, 16; Jordan, 13; and Tyler, 8. John is currently on active duty in the Navy and deployed at the moment. Diana is a professional dog groomer and owns her own business with a partner in Kingsland - St. Mary's, Ga. Diana writes, "This year is the Class of 1989's 20th reunion. If anyone from the class plans on attending Reunion 2009 please let me know. I would love to attend if I know others will be there. My e-mail is ladydisphi@hotmail.com. Can't wait to hear from other Cazenovians!"

Shannon Flint '89 has recently connected with some classmates on Facebook. She is hoping to hook up with more and go to Reunion 2009, June 12-14.

Salvador Gonzalez '89 writes, "Hello my lost friends. Sorry for the long absence but my extensive military service has kept me in and out of the country for the past 7 years. A few highlights in my life over the last several years include being named the 2000 New Mexico Air National Guard Airman of the Year 2001; deployed to the Middle East as part of the War on Terrorism and earned five medals for various actions in the line of service; was 2006 RRPD Officer of the Year; and in June 2008, was promoted to Patrol Sergeant in the Rio Rancho Police Department. My third child, Megan Riley Gonzalez, was born in February 2007. Please touch base - see you at Reunion in June."

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1991

Damon Douglass '91 is living in Charlotte, N.C. He is married with three children: Madison, 6; Kaleb, 4; and MacKenzie, 3. Damon works for Wells Fargo/Wachovia as a project manager.

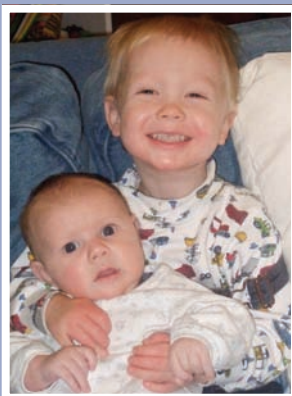
Jennifer Ruth Sisson '91 and her husband, Joseph, celebrated their 15-year wedding anniversary in October 2008. They live in Lexington, Ky., with



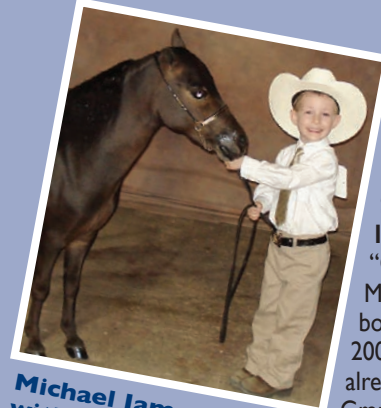
The Sisson Family

their son, Andrew, 8. Jennifer has managed VESTA Executive Housing for the past five years and truly loves her job. She writes, "I can't imagine working anywhere else! I would love to hear from **Steffanie Simon '91**, **Betty Jones '89** and **Marcia Ortlieb '89**. Guys, my e-mail is jennifersisson@yahoo.com."

Tricia Fish Isham '91 writes, "My husband and I welcomed our second baby boy, Levi Charles, into the family in November. His older brother, Pierce, adores him. We are still in Webster, N.Y., and would love to hear from friends."



Pierce and Levi Charles Isham



Michael James Himlin with Royal Oaks Impressive Romeo

1992

Stephanie Smith Himlin '92 writes, "Our son, Michael, was born in August 2004 and has already been the Grand Champion Leadline Horse in the AMHR - placing 1st in the country. We are so proud of

him. He takes his horse out in the ring all by himself - he rides, and I lead. Hard to believe he was only three years old when he began. I can't wait to see what he does this year. I'm sure he will beat me, the way he is going. I even started him driving my show horse, Royal Oaks Impressive Rolex, so he can show in the driving classes this year."

Jennifer Lawrence Bradford '92 writes, "My husband, Nevin, and I adopted a beautiful boy, Graeme, from Colombia in 2005. We are currently in the process of adopting again."

1993

David Brown '93 and his wife, Jennifer, are expecting a baby girl in May 2009.

James Gross '93 has been married to Melanie for 10 years. The couple have two sons, ages 9 and 5.



April Lawrence Kenyon '93 and husband Peter

April Lawrence Kenyon '93 and husband, Peter, were married on June 21, 2008 in Edgecomb, Maine. The couple honeymooned on the island of St. Lucia. April would love to hear from you at fourleaf@midcoast.com.



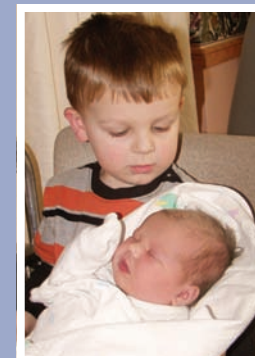
Heather Welsh '93 and baby Pierce Nicholas

Heather Welsh '93 had a baby boy, Pierce Nicholas, on October 31, 2008. He weighed 6 pounds, 1 ounce and was 19" long.

1994 15th Honored Year

Bonnie Schaffe Davis '94 writes, "Married for five years, moved into a house we own and have renovated with our 4-year-old daughter."

Melanie Kovach Crisino '94 and husband, Joe, welcomed a new addition to their family. A baby girl, Marissa Arlene, was born on December 29, 2008. Marissa weighed 9 pounds, 1/2 ounce and was 21 inches long. Melanie writes, "Would love to get in touch with all my friends from Caz. E-mail me at mcrisino@yahoo.com or on MySpace or Facebook."



Anthony and Marissa Crisino

Ruth Farrell Ceretto '94 and Joseph Ceretto are pleased to announce the birth of their baby girl, Arianna Nicole. She was born on February 7, 2009, at 1 p.m. Arianna weighed 8 pounds, 7 ounces and was 20 inches long.



Arianna Nicole Ceretto

1996

Portia Reese '96 writes, "This is a reminder to all alumni from the Classes of 1992-97 that we are collecting pictures for the slide show, and if you are more than 50 percent sure that you will be attending the reunion in June, you need to get registered. The current site where all the information is being held is on Facebook. We have a group page titled Caz Reunion June 12-14, 2009. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any other suggestions about events. I can be reached at only-onepnice2u@yahoo.com, jesusinme@gmail.com or igotdavictory@hotmail.com. You can also contact **Shari Whitaker**, director of alumni relations, at Caz College at sswhitaker@cazenovia.edu. We are constantly updating what is going on at the Facebook group site, so scroll all the way through the page to get to the reunion information. Hope to see all of you guys... God bless."

Heather Kernberger MacKenzie '96 is starting a new job in the Human Resources Department at St. Helena Hospital.

Ronnette Chalker Councilman

'98 writes, "I got married to Bob Councilman and we are expecting a baby this June. I would love to get in touch with all my old friends from Caz."

Chrisanne Groce Battes '96 was married in June 2007 to Billy. The couple has a 3-year-old daughter named Julianne. Chrisanne is a first grade teacher and has taught for the past four years in Franklinton, N.C. Chrisanne definitely wants to get in touch with **Jennifer Phillips '98**, **Rebecca Bugg '97**, and **Jennica and Elizabeth**. They lived on the second floor of Shove Hall.

1997

Lawanda Horton '97 just started a firm called Mission Incorporated that provides board development, fund development and professional development to nonprofit organizations and small businesses. Her Web site is www.missionincdevelopment.com. Lawanda writes, "I would love to assist any of my former classmates who are running, or working for nonprofit organizations, or any individuals looking to start a small business. With the help of some of the professors at Cazenovia College, I was able to submit a strong application to New England College to pursue a master of science degree in management with a certificate in nonprofit leadership. Cazenovia really helped me to develop many of the analytical skills I now use to help clients with strategic planning and problem solving. I hope to grow my business enough to make a significant contribution to Cazenovia."

1998

Jennifer Cross Hodge '98 and husband, David, are thrilled to have two beautiful children. Daniel is 4 years old and Katelyn is 8 months. Jennifer currently works in development for a local non-profit.



Daniel and Katelyn Hodge

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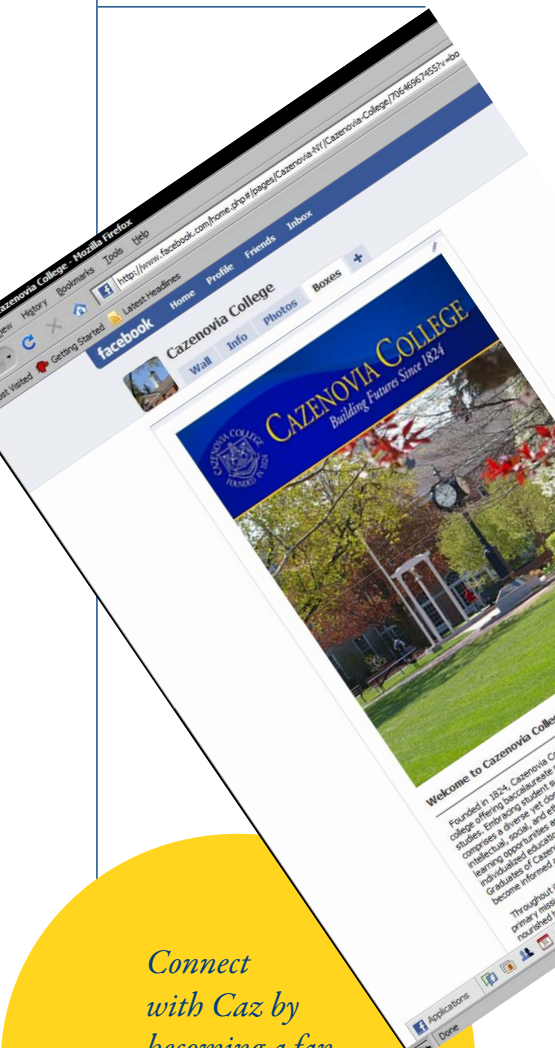
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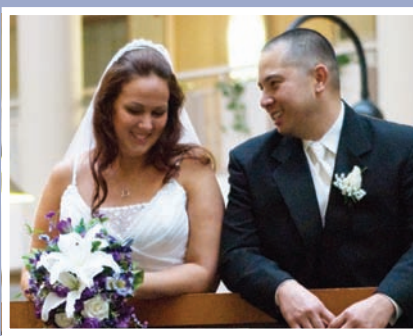
Denise Mozzetti O'Kon '98 and husband, Nick, welcomed their third baby, Michael Chase, on December 10, 2008. An older brother, Nicholas, Jr. is 3, and big sister, Ashley, is 2. The family is living in the Raleigh, N.C., area.

1999 10th Honored Year
Rebecca Hubler Kondon '99 writes, "I don't think I'll be able to make it to reunion in June, but wanted to send an update. I was married in 2005 to a wonderful man from Clinton, N.Y., John Kondon. We just purchased our first home in Fabius, N.Y., a farm house from the 1840s. We are expecting our first child in June of this year...hence my not making it to reunion! I am a medical librarian at SUNY Upstate Medical University and received my master's degree in library science from Syracuse University in 2005."

Chad Hamed '99 has been living in Charlotte, N.C., for eight years and started a graphic design firm four years ago.

2000
Michael Mahan '00 is currently living in Charlotte, N.C. and is involved in a baseball league and outdoor activities.

Amelia Slobodian Berezain '00 was married on October 3, 2008, in Syracuse, N.Y., to Jeffrey Berezain of Long Island, N.Y. The couple met while working as caseworkers for an adolescent emergency shelter in Massachusetts. They now live on Long Island and are looking for a house. Amelia writes, "I will be graduating with my master's degree in social work in May of this year from Stony Brook



Amelia Slobodian Berezain '00 and husband Jeffrey

University, and am currently working as a case manager for a runaway shelter."

Jason Llorenz '00 now spends most of his time in New York City where he is growing his private law practice. He is in Washington, D.C., several times each month and would like to hear from alumni in both cities. Jason's e-mail address is jllorenz@gmail.com.

Stephanie King '00 has been living in Charlotte, N.C., for two years.

2001
Dara Trent '01 writes, "I spend my summers doing overseas mission work. I have been to Turkey, China, and just returned from Uganda. I am working on getting my R.N. so that I can return to Uganda next year and administer medications."



Drew, Chloe, Brady and Kadi. Children of Jon and Shayna Devine Adams '01

Shayna Devine Adams '01 and husband, Jon, were given legal custody of their nephew and niece, Drew, 13; and Kadi, 10. Their daughter, Chloe, is 5 and son, Brady, is 2.

Tina Thomas Berg '01 has been living in Charlotte, N.C., for 2 years. She was married in April of 2008.

Laura McCarthy '01 received her master's degree in social work from Syracuse University in 2004 and has since moved to Raleigh, N.C. Laura is a licensed clinical social worker for Wake County, where she works with the Raleigh Police Department on training officers to recognize signs of trauma in children. She also works with children and families who have been exposed to traumatic events. Laura is also a certified forensic juvenile counselor and works with a contract agency, Wellness Supports, providing trauma counseling and other related therapy.



Lynda Pizzi '02 and fiancé Steven Schanz

2002
Lynda Pizzi '02 writes, "I got engaged in December 2007 and am getting married on June 6, 2009, to Steven Schanz."

2004 5th Honored Year

Amy Wolff '04 writes, "I am writing to give 'thanks' to those that helped me pursue my dreams and guided me in the right direction along the way! I graduated from Caz with a bachelor of fine arts degree in visual communications, and have worked in the field of graphic design at various locations. In April 2006, I opened my own design company, A+ Graphics, with my cousin. I had always wanted to eventually teach as a career. That dream came true when I was hired as a visual communications instructor at the Howard G. Sackett Technical Center. While at Caz there were many who had an influence on my career, specifically **Scott Jensen, Jeanne King, Allyn Stewart, Laurie Selleck and Kim Waale**. I also give credit to **John Seiter**, art director at Cazenovia College, who not only helped me through my senior project, but offered me a freelance position working for the College for the summer after graduation."

2005
Marcie Palmer Eaton '05 writes, "I was sworn into the New York State Bar on February 26. I am excited to move forward in my legal career and credit Caz with giving me so many of the tools needed to succeed."

Staci Vaughn '05 received her master of science degree and certificate of advanced study in school psychology from SUNY Albany. She is now a certified school psychologist. Staci is engaged to Jarrod Radley of Cape Vincent, N.Y.



Ashley Brien Watts '05 and Justin Watts

Ashley Brien Watts '05 writes, "I have moved to Lexington, Ky., where I have my own business, Liffoff Equestrian, LLC, teaching riding lessons and training hunters and

jumpers. I was married on September 20, 2008, to Justin Watts. I am also working on completing my master of business administration degree in business/marketing from the University of Phoenix and should receive that degree by summer 2009."



Misty Shores '06 and Eric Dosch '05

Eric Dosch '05 and Misty Shores '06 were married on July 5, 2008, in Cicero, N.Y. Eric and Misty will honeymoon in Jamaica in July 2009. Eric is working at the YMCA in Fayetteville, N.Y., as a sports coordinator. Misty is working as a retail project specialist at ChaseDesign in Skaneateles, N.Y. She is also the cheerleading coach at Cazenovia College. They own a home in Syracuse.

2006
Bianca Piazza '06 is living in London, England. In September 2008, she began her master's degree program at the Metropolitan University of London.



Bianca Piazza '06

Reserves last fall and am studying for my master's degree in emergency management at George Washington University. Things are well! Go Caz!"

Tiffany Fairbrother '06 passed the LEED-CI exam and is now a LEED-accredited professional, and also a member of the IIDA (International Interior Design Association). Tiffany is currently employed by Langdon Wilson in Los Angeles, Calif.

2007
Elizabeth Redding '07 is still riding and received her professional USEF card this year.

Marlaina Cogan '07 writes, "I am currently employed with the Korean governmental agency EPIK, the English Program in Korea, in the city of Cheongju in Chungcheongbuk-do, South Korea. I am helping to teach English at the Uncheon and Hungduk elementary schools. I have been here since November 2008 and will stay one year."



Randy Johnson, Jr. and Kaycie Moore '07

Kaycie Moore '07 became engaged to Randy Johnson, Jr., on Christmas Day. The wedding is scheduled for May 8, 2010, in Utica, N.Y. The couple moved to Little Falls, N.Y., following Kaycie's graduation from Cazenovia in May 2007.

2008
Susanna Toledo '08 writes, "I work six days a week at a barn, in addition to my full-time job at Tractor Supply. I celebrated my one-year wedding anniversary on February 8. I live with my husband, our two dogs and one cat in Hudson, N.Y. I really miss Caz."



“It’s My Turn to Give Back”

Richard L. Smith looks forward to new role as chair of the College Board of Trustees



Smith is most proud of Cazenovia’s growing reputation as an outstanding institution of higher learning and inclusion in the U.S. News list of “Best Colleges in the Northeast.”

Since **Richard Smith** joined the Cazenovia College Board of Trustees in 2001, he has enjoyed playing a role in helping students prepare for life by ensuring they get a quality education. “*Building Futures Since 1824* is what we do at Cazenovia College,” says Smith. “This core message drives our work as trustees.”

Smith earned a bachelor of arts degree from Colgate University in 1968, and graduated from Cornell Law School in 1971. A native of Canastota, N.Y., in Madison County, he points out that his grandmother, Carrie Higgins Smith, and great grandfather, John Higgins, were natives of Cazenovia. “I have always felt

close to Cazenovia and had great respect for the College.”

“I believe that people have a duty to give back,” Smith says. “Education has made all the difference in my life and I have an obligation to support causes that have contributed to the person I am today. Some served on boards, others were philanthropic in helping to lay the foundation for my education and career ascent; it’s now my turn to do the same.”

A practicing lawyer for 38 years, Smith is a senior member of the firm Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC, and has been active in numerous New York State Bar Association activities. He provides

clients with administrative, legislative and regulatory representation, including counsel in corporate and tax matters. He has been a registered lobbyist for 35 years, was a part-time instructor at Cornell University Law School for three years, and served as a member of Le Moyne College’s Board of Regents for six years.

Smith was elected to the *New York Super Lawyers 2008 - Upstate Edition*. He points out that through broad legal practice experience, “I have gained a thorough understanding of government, business and higher education, which helps me see the big picture.”

Smith is proud of the progress the College has made over the past decade. “On campus one can see the tremendous strides we have made: construction of the Art & Design building, the addition of Shove Suites, the transformation of an art gallery into a Student Center, and a new admissions house that welcomes prospective students and their families to campus.” Smith emphasized how rewarding it is that these projects were achieved with the involvement of the trustees, **President Tierno** and his leadership team, faculty, staff and students.

His election as chair of the Board in May 2008 was personally satisfying yet humbling, Smith says. “I am thankful to my colleagues on the Board and appreciate their confidence in me.”

Smith also realizes that the current state of the economy will drive the leadership of the College to work even harder. He stresses, “The stewardship of Cazenovia College deserves more attention now than ever, to ensure that the College continues to be financially strong and an educational destination of ever increasing quality.”

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Making History on the Court



The men's basketball program has a new career scoring leader, while two student-athletes joined the College's 1,000-point club.



(L-R): Erik Sauer, Colleen Clarke, Stephen Harris

Senior **Stephen Harris** (Watervliet, N.Y./Watervliet) became the career scoring leader for the men's program on February 22 in a loss to Wells College. The 5'11" guard needed just seven points entering the contest to surpass Chuck Cassidy's career mark of 1,545 points, and did so with a 13-point effort. Harris, who finished his Cazenovia career with a total of 1,597 points, holds numerous College records, including most three-pointers made, games played and games started.

Joining Harris this year as players who have scored 1,000 points in their

Cazenovia careers were senior teammate **Erik Sauer** (Pennellville, N.Y./Phoenix) and junior **Colleen Clarke** (Johnson City, N.Y./Johnson City) of the women's team. Clarke hit the 1,000-point mark just eight games into her junior campaign with a 17-point outing in a loss at St. John Fisher College on December 6. At the conclusion of the season, Clarke had 1,344 career points, putting her just 529 points away from becoming the program's scoring leader. Also in reach for Clarke are Cazenovia career records for three-pointers made and steals. Sauer scored his 1,000th career point in a win over Baptist Bible College at home on

January 6. The milestone bucket came on one of Sauer's patented drives to the basket. He finished his career with 1,267 points, which is fourth-most in program history. Sauer's aggressive style of play has also earned him the second-most career free throws made.

In recognizing the achievements of these three players and those who came before them, a new banner honoring the 1,000-point scorers from both the men's and women's programs at Cazenovia College now hangs in the rafters of the upper gymnasium at the Stephen M. Schneeweiss Athletic Complex. Athletics Director **Rob Kenna** and men's basketball Head Coach **Michael "Doc" Bowser** unveiled the blue and gold banner at half-time of the men's basketball game against Penn State Harrisburg on Jan. 31.

Fifteen Student-Athletes Named All-NEAC

Fifteen Cazenovia College student-athletes were named All-Conference by the North Eastern Athletic Conference (NEAC) this past fall, representing the sports of volleyball, men's and women's soccer, and men's and women's cross country.

The men's and women's cross country squads placed five runners on All-Conference teams, with senior **Tim Doyon** (Bennington, Vt./Mt. Anthony Union) as the lone first team selection. Men's runners **Gary Reisman** (Baldwinsville, N.Y./C.W. Baker) and **Hank Church** (Marcellus, N.Y./Marcellus), both juniors, each made the second team. On the women's side, junior **Ashley Todd** (Oneida, N.Y./Oneida) was a second team All-Conference selection, while freshman **Valerie Dunn** (Schenectady, N.Y./Mohonasen) was named to the third team.

Matthew Judge (Westmoreland, N.Y./Medaille) was one of four seniors on the men's soccer team named All-Conference. Judge was voted to the first team, while

Jeff Barton (Endwell, N.Y./Greene) made second team. **Zachary Hooker** (Glens Falls, N.Y./Glens Falls) and **Mouhamadou Diaman** (New York, N.Y./Manhattan International) were voted to the third team.

The women's soccer team also landed four players on All-Conference teams. Junior **Michelle Duffy** (Troy, Pa./Troy) made the second team and seniors **Noelle Shapiro** (Glenwood, N.J./Vernon Township), **Courtney Stewart** (DeWitt, N.Y./Manlius Pebble Hill), and freshman **Leah Bates** (Bath, N.Y./Haverling) were all named to the third team.

Rounding out the All-Conference selections were two members of the volleyball team. Freshman **Lauren Harder** (Oneonta, N.Y./Oneonta) was voted to the second team and senior **Heather Morgan** (Guilford, N.Y./Bainbridge-Guilford) appeared on the third team.

Second-Year Program Makes Strides

The women's swimming and diving team made a splash in 2008-09.

The Cazenovia College women's swimming and diving team is in just its second year as a varsity program, but the Wildcats have made great progress since the team's inception.

This year's squad compiled a 5-4 record

in dual meets, compared to a 2-6 mark in their 2007-08 inaugural season. In addition, the Wildcats turned in one of the best performances in the short history of the program on January 24, at the SUNY Delhi Spring Sprint Invitational. The team amassed 322 points en route to a first-place finish, winning the College's first ever invitational. The team also won a total of eight events and two members of the squad broke SUNY Delhi pool records. The Wildcats established eight Cazenovia College records in both swimming and diving events.

The Wildcats' season ended at the women's Upper New York State Collegiate Swimming Association (UNYSCSA) Championships at Nottingham High School February 18-21, where the team scored more than double the points they did at last season's event. They also advanced to the finals in all five relays, compared to only two last year.

Two-time team captain and MVP **Anna Layton** (Burlington Flats, N.Y./Perkiom Valley) will be sorely missed next season as she graduates from Cazenovia. Layton started swimming and diving with Head Coach **Bill Houser** four years ago, two years before the College team was even established, and has been an integral part of the development of the program. She is the only Wildcat to score individual points at the UNYSCSA Championships in both the one and three-meter diving events. Layton currently holds five individual Cazenovia records and is part of all five College relay records.



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Cazenovia College Athletics Goes Pink

Written by Allison Bradshaw

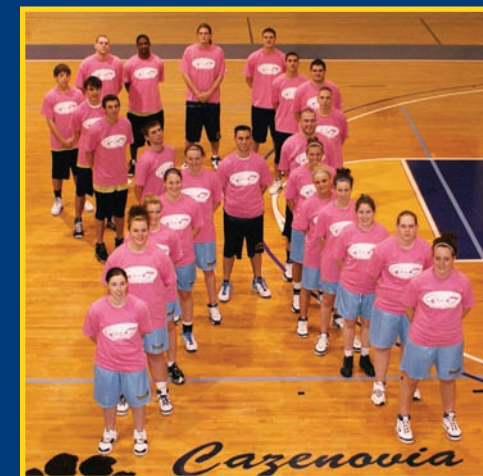


Photo: Tasha Johnson

The Cazenovia College Athletics Department, along with the campus community, recently took part in the Women's Basketball Coaches Association's (WBCA) Pink Zone™ initiative in an effort to raise money and awareness for breast cancer.

The week-long event - February 9-14 - featured a variety of fundraising events and culminated with men's and women's basketball games against local rival Morrisville State on Valentine's Day. Several departments on campus staged a "Jar War" for the week, where students and employees competed against each other to see who could raise the most money in loose change. Pink ribbons were also sold throughout the week outside of the Dining Hall. Purchased ribbons were then displayed outside the entrance to the upper gymnasium at the Schneeweiss Athletic Complex. During the games, a 50/50 raffle was conducted, as well as a pink paper airplane throwing contest. Both were used to generate money for breast cancer awareness. The combined efforts raised more than \$600 for the Kay Yow/WBCA Cancer Fund™.

The Pink Zone™ initiative is a global, unified effort for the WBCA nation of coaches to assist in raising breast cancer awareness on the court, across campuses, in communities and beyond. In 2008, over 1,200 teams and organizations participated, reaching over 830,000 fans and raising over \$930,000 for breast cancer awareness and research.



Reaching Out to Parents

There has been a lot of activity in the Parent Relations Office over the past several months.



Photo: John Seiter

(L-R): Laura Benoit, director of Parent Relations; Kathryn Sepka, new Alpha Chi National Honor Society member; her father William Sepka; and her grandmother Ruth Schultze at a recent Parent Relations hosted reception, held in honor of the newest class of Alpha Chi inductees and their families

The office was very busy with the "Surprise Your Student" program during the week preceding Valentine's Day. "It was fun seeing our students' faces as they opened their special surprise packages," said Director of Parent Relations **Laura Benoit**.

The College's Web site now has a special parents section. If you have not visited the site in a while, please take a moment to view this new addition at www.cazenovia.edu/parents. Important links have been added for user-friendly parent access. We have also added a monthly news section, so please check back frequently for current news and updates.

Save the date for Homecoming/Family Weekend: October 2-4, 2009. As always, the Office of Parent Relations welcomes your suggestions and comments. Please call 315.655.7378 or e-mail parents@cazenovia.edu. We look forward to hearing from you.

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- Mark J. Tierno
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