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The time is now for Cazenovia College as *it comes to a crossroads* in its history, a place in time when it can choose to build upon the strength of a thoughtful and rigorous strategic planning process. Our College has momentum and now must address many long postponed needs.

e have the responsibility to provide for our current campus constituents as well as for those who will follow us and see the recently launched capital campaign the first comprehensive funding initiative in the 188-year history of the College as a means to ensure that Cazenovia College becomes more vibrant and relevant. And, we want to increasingly be known as a foundation for the best in undergraduate higher education, and a stronger economic engine for our community and region.

**Building Futures One at a Time:** The Campaign for Cazenovia College addresses several areas of identified need throughout the campus. Described in greater detail in the enclosed insert, the Campaign includes the following priorities: a refurbished and expanded facility for the Studio Arts on South Campus (now known as Jephson Campus after the College received a \$1 million gift from the Jephson Educational Trusts); modernization of our science laboratories; the installation of a new athletic turf field (Christakos Field); an increased endowment that will fund student financial aid,

scholarships, and academic excellence; and support of the Cazenovia Fund, which will aid the College's current priority initiatives. These physical improvements, along with a more robust endowment, will enable the College to attract and retain promising students as well as talented faculty and professional staff.

To accomplish this bold vision, fully supported by College leadership and the campus community, Cazenovia College is calling upon the entire College family to respond with philanthropic support and to serve as advocates and champions. Your participation will make a significant and lasting impact on the future of Cazenovia, enabling you to influence the direction of *your College* and to experience firsthand the effects of your generosity.

We move forward due to the momentum generated by people who appreciated the educational excellence that Cazenovia College offers. Our successes will come because of those who share this same gratitude, and want to make this institution even better. I hope you will consider joining us in this important venture.

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## Protecting and Serving the People

Polo Burgos '04 lives out dream of becoming a NYPD police officer



olo Burgos '04 arrived in the United States at the age of 12 and soon developed a dream of becoming a police officer. He wasn't sure when, but he was convinced that one day he would protect the people in the city he grew up in, serving as a police officer with the New York City Police Department (NYPD).

Burgos says his professional path began at Cazenovia College. He earned a bachelor's degree in business/sport management and following his graduation in 2004, was hired by the Staten Island Yankees – a minor league baseball team

affiliate of the New York Yankees. His dream of becoming a police officer would have to wait.

"The sport management faculty at Caz helped me connect with the Yankees and get the internship in the summer of 2003," says Burgos. "This internship experience allowed me to learn and showcase my skills and abilities, and two

days after graduation I was hired by the team as a full-time employee." Soon after his hiring, Burgos was working as the di-

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- Polo Burgos '04

He recalls a Diversity Management course he took at Cazenovia College. "The course stressed the importance of

understanding the different religions, ethnicities and many cultures that we will come across in business and in life," says Burgos. "Although it was a business course, it prepared me for what I would encounter in the law enforcement field in 2007."

Burgos' dream to serve the people of Brooklyn as a police officer never wavered. He took the NYPD entrance exam in 2005, and spent the next year making sure that he wanted to change careers. "I didn't want to leave baseball and then have regrets." At the end of 2006, he began six months of police academy training and in June 2007, Polo Burgos was officially on the job as a New York City police officer.

Today, Burgos is a field training police officer and mentor in the NYPD's Brooklyn Transit Bureau. In addition to patrolling the subway stations to deter crime and ensure the safety of the people, Burgos trains newly assigned officers, showing them the ropes and teaching them how to properly make lawful arrests and process paperwork.

Burgos has been a police officer for six years now. He shares that the job is rewarding but equally demanding. "Crime is a reality and unfortunately I have come to learn that many people don't really like cops." He also points out that the job often prevents officers from spending quality time with their families "But you come across that one person every now and then who stops you to say 'thank you.' It's an amazing feeling and justifies what I do and its importance in our society."

His greatest accomplishment as a police officer, Burgos says, "is getting guns off the streets." He recalls chasing an individual with a gun and catching him in the middle of a housing complex in Brooklyn. "My fellow officers were trying to find me to assist with the arrest but

I had no idea where I was after running about seven blocks to detain the criminal."

Most recently, Burgos and his Brooklyn neighborhood were impacted by Hurricane Sandy. He and his fellow NYPD officers were working 15-to-18-hour days the first two weeks after the storm. "There are times in your life when you think you've seen it all, but this storm really opened my eyes and many people's hearts in this city." Burgos pointed out that so many people wanted to help, but couldn't. "Brooklyn was hit very hard, but so were the other New York City boroughs. So many homes, cars, people's belongings – all were gone in a matter of seconds. You would have to see it to really understand."

The NYPD's transit bureau is still trying to recover post-Hurricane Sandy. "We have stations that will not be able to open any time soon. This adversely affects our policing efforts," adds Burgos, "because we currently don't have the option of responding to a crime by train as we normally do."

Burgos credits his alma mater for helping him prepare for life. "Caz taught me that nothing is impossible and that I can truly accomplish anything if I put my heart and soul into it and surround myself with the right people." Sheila Smith Marsh '71, associate director of the College's Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP); and Bill Motto, a former Cazenovia professor, are two such people. "Sheila was not only an advisor but more like a mother. I still call her mom." And Burgos is thankful for the role Motto played as a professor and for helping him launch a sport management career.

He acknowledges that there is not just one memorable moment during his time at Caz. "I loved the students, the faculty and the community." He recalls his best friend at College, Matt Aldrich '04, who "always supported me in everything I did. Matt made sure to push me extra hard to ensure that we would graduate together." Burgos played on Cazenovia's Division III baseball team and points out that it was more than just playing a sport with teammates. "We were more like brothers; we always stuck together on and off the field of play."

The connections with Caz continue with Burgos' brother-in-law, Jeffrey Diaz, currently enrolled as a student. "I'm very aware of the College's recent success and reputation as one of America's Best Colleges and glad a member of my family is following in my footsteps."

Serving and protecting is all in the family for Burgos. He is married to Cely Diaz-Burgos, a fellow NYPD police officer. They have two children; Jayden, 7, and Kaylin, 2. In addition to both trying to spend as much time with family as they can, Burgos continues to look ahead when it comes to his career as a police officer. "I will be taking the Sergeant's Exam soon. I hope to get this promotion, which will allow me to continue to serve this city and its people."

A proud alumnus and established police officer, Burgos offers up some advice to young men and women getting ready to go to college, who also might be considering a career in law enforcement. "Being a police officer is a great profession with many opportunities. Trust me when I tell you that it's an amazing, most rewarding feeling to know that you are protecting and doing something good for others." He adds, "But above all, get your college degree first and then come join me; together we can defend our city from the people who want to interfere with our rights and freedom."



### CAMPUS NEWS

## Homecoming/Family Weekend 2012 Wrap Up

Campaign kickoff and Christakos Field dedication headline annual College event



Harriet Christakos, wife of the late Nicholas J. Christakos, was surrounded by members of her family when she cut the ribbon to officially dedicate Christakos Field.

jam-packed weekend of fun and excitement was in store for Cazenovia College's alumni, friends, campus family and the surrounding community this past September at Homecoming/Family Weekend. Whether it was a social, cultural or athletic event, there was something for everyone to enjoy!

Festivities began on Friday—"Caz Spirit Day"—when students were encouraged to wear College colors for prizes. Guests were invited to be a "Student for a Day" sitting in on classes in between attending several department Open Houses and a Welcome Reception. A Parent Mixer, a performance by ventriloquist Sylvia Fletcher, and a showing of "The Amazing Spider Man" capped off the day.

On Saturday morning, a special ribbon cutting ceremony at the brand new entrance of the athletic turf field marked its official naming as Christakos Field. Family members of



2012 Athletics Hall of Fame inductee Jaclyn Capocefalo Winans '07 and her family

the late **Nicholas J. Christakos**, trustee emeritus and long-time Cazenovia resident, for whom the field is named, were in attendance to commemorate the notable occasion. A Campaign kickoff celebration, complete with a barbeque, children's activities, and the first appearance by the College's new mascot, **Zac**, launched the public phase of the College's comprehensive campaign, *Building Futures One at a Time: The Campaign for Cazenovia College*.

At Saturday evening's Blue & Gold Dinner, Christakos and former studentathlete **Jaclyn Capocefalo Winans** '07, were inducted into the Cazenovia College Athletics Hall of Fame. Christakos, a steadfast supporter of Wildcats athletics, is the first trustee emeritus to receive the Hall of Fame honor. Winans was honored for her outstanding efforts on the women's soccer team.

Additional activities held throughout the weekend included a Cross Country Homecoming Invitational, women's and men's soccer games, Wildcats BINGO, and an appearance by comedian Tom Cotter, among other offerings. The weekend concluded with traditional send-off meals and the annual Athletics Alumni Games.

"I was impressed by the feeling of camaraderie and overall tradition that was so well-represented during the weekend," said **Shari Whitaker**, director of alumni relations. "It's evident that alumni, friends and family of all ages truly have a lifelong bond with the College."

For information regarding Homecoming /Family Weekend 2013, please visit **www.cazenovia.edu** over the coming months.

### Take a Virtual Tour of Campus

Cazenovia College unveils new virtual tour and campus map



Visitors to Cazenovia College's website are now invited on a virtual tour of campus where the

College truly comes to life right before your eyes. In addition to the high-quality, photorealistic map of the College that allows you to navigate and explore each building and location in vivid detail, the virtual tour offers video clips, photos and detailed descriptions of all things Cazenovia.

The virtual tour, funded by former trustees and long-time supporters of the College, **Charles B.** and **Elsbeth W. Morgan**, offers a close-up opportunity to learn more about Cazenovia College and encourages visitors to visualize themselves on campus long before they even schedule a visit.

Take the virtual tour today by visiting **http://map.cazenovia.edu**.

### New Video Promotes the Caz Experience!



Created primarily to market Cazenovia College to prospective students and

families, the College's new video is delighting current students, employees and alumni. Produced by Solon Quinn Studios this past summer, the video is having a positive impact on the recruitment of new students, has evoked a sense of pride in the current student body, and has alumni who attended Cazenovia 5, 10 and 20 years ago wanting to enroll at the College all over again.

View the video at www.cazenovia.edu/video.

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### Introducing ZAC

Cazenovia College's wildcat mascot makes his first campus appearance



Photo: John Seiter

A bright yellow individual sporting Cazenovia College apparel and a fierce-but-friendly attitude was seen at Homecoming/Family Weekend 2012. That familiar face with a slightly new appearance was that of "**Zac**," the College's new beloved mascot.

Several years ago, the campus community bid farewell to Wally the Wildcat, the energetic mascot who lifted the crowd's spirits for many years. After exiting Schneeweiss Athletic Complex in grand fashion, plans for a new and improved mascot immediately began. A mix of staff and students met frequently to discuss their hopes for what the new wildcat should look like.

A mascot wouldn't be complete without a special name. The planning committee turned to the Cazenovia College "family" to find a unique name for their number one fan. After a College-wide online survey was held for students, faculty, staff and alumni constituents, the perfect name was found among dozens of suggestions. When the letters of Caz are cleverly reversed, a quite fitting name was discovered - Zac.

Keep an eye out on the sidelines and in the stands for this new furry friend. He's looking for fellow wildcats to help him "explore his roar!"



## Giving Back, One Employee at a Time

Campus committee formed to aid the College's Campaign

By Margery A. Pinet, professor emerita, trustee, and chair of the Campus Committee



(Front row, L-R) Jo Buffalo, Brett Carguello, Margery Pinet and Todd Spangler (Back row, L-R) Patti Dellas, Barb Lindberg, Stu Weisman and Michael Brooks '01

ooperative governance and campus community service ✓ are long-standing traditions in higher education. Cazenovia's practice is no exception, with College faculty and staff investing their time and talent in the numerous committees that make our institution function successfully. These work groups commit countless hours toward long-term planning, reaccreditation, judicial proceedings, and similar endeavors - all essential components to a

community of learning such as ours.

The Campus Committee is another example of a dedicated group of faculty and staff members who have come together to accomplish an important goal on behalf of the College. Our task is to serve under the guidance of the Campaign Cabinet - headed by campaign national co-chairs and trustees Carolyn Charles Deacon '66 and Al Budney – and lead the employeegiving component of Building Futures One at a Time: The Campaign for Cazenovia College.

During my long tenure with the College, I have worked with many committed people, who are deeply invested in the success of this institution and its students. My experience with the Campus Committee again exemplifies this dedication; and it has been my great pleasure to collaborate with Michael Brooks '01, Jo Buffalo, Brett Carguello, Patti Dellas, Barb Hager, Barb Lindberg, Todd Spangler, and Stu Weisman.

While none of us was well versed in fundraising, the Institutional Advancement staff quickly taught us the nuts and bolts of "Why Give?" to the campaign. In short, the campus campaign's success can be attributed to each of us sharing with colleagues our respective stories of why we chose to make a monetary gift in support of the College. The generous response of our fellow faculty and staff members has been both gratifying and affirming.

Since the comprehensive campaign began almost three years ago, on July 1, 2010, faculty and staff have contributed in gifts and pledges over \$509,000 with 53% of regular full-time/part-time employees participating. These figures not only exceed our aim of raising \$460,000, but also represent a very good start toward at-

taining a participation goal of 60% over the campaign's duration, which ends on June 30, 2015.

One at a Time. This is how we teach our students. This is how we give back to this special place, where our collective effort composes a significant part of the overall goal to raise an unprecedented \$10 million for our College.

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## **Staying Power**

Five Cazenovia College alumni serve on Office of Admissions staff

Alumni "know" their alma mater's story. They're co-authors, as well as subjects; so who better to share the Cazenovia College tale than its graduates? This notion is a key factor and common bond that's shared among five members of the College's admissions staff. Along with their fellow colleagues, these counselors serve as the "front gate" of the institution. They're perfect "gatekeepers" who can enthusiastically communicate to prospective students in a very unique way because they've personally experienced Caz.

"Having been a student at Caz, gives me a first-hand perspective to share with interested students, a high level of credibility, and above all, makes me invested in this place, where it's headed and what it has to offer," notes Marlo Coletto '11.

President Mark Tierno often states that he is proud of having alumni serve as professional members of the College's admissions staff. "Their devotion toward their college is highly evident," he says. "They directly reflect the mission and core values of the College and are a true representation of the culture at Caz."

The tasks of these ambassadors and the entire Admissions Office team are extensive and stretch far beyond just campus tours that originate from Constable Hall. Each counselor is responsible for maintaining specific geographic territories. Daily duties include a combination of emailing and phone calling; interviewing prospective students and families; sharing financial aid and scholarship information; reaching out to transfer students; planning Visit Days;

Directors missions and novia College alu Kate Lincoln '08, Marlo Coletto '11, Alex lannicello '12, Monica Aldrich '11 and isa Folsom '07 ga outside Constable

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packed bags, hotel reservations and

While the diverse assignments are plentiful, each counselor's passion for his or her job continues to grow. Alex Iannicello '12, shares that he loves that "every day on the job is different." Monica Aldrich '11 adds, "I love meeting new people, but most of all, I enjoyed my time as a student and it's rewarding to spread that knowledge to others each day."

That sentiment is echoed by **Kate** Lincoln '08. She says, "I really enjoy that I was able to stay and work for a place and a community that I fell in love with from the moment I stepped on campus."

As these alumni employees invest time, talent and energy into their craft of reaching a growing number of prospective students throughout the country, one thing's for sure—they're helping to pen the next chapters of the Cazenovia College story, and that speaks volumes.



GPS systems in hand!

exploring marketing and social media opportunities; participating in professional organizations; advising campus organizations, coaching athletic teams; reviewing applications; and that's just scratching the surface! "Dedication and commitment are truly needed when working in Admissions; something I can easily give back to a place that gave me so much," notes Lisa Folsom '07.

During "travel season," their days consist of traveling to numerous high schools, and their nights conclude with one to two-hour college fairs. They hit the road for several weeks each fall and spring, and can often be seen in rental cars with



## "What Happens?"

Question drives professor to better understand the psychology of relationships

By Rachel Dinero, PhD Assistant Professor, Psychology

t is tempting to blame high divorce rates on reckless, ill-advised mar-L riages. High profile celebrities who marry impulsively and divorce quickly paint a picture of a society that places little value on the institution of marriage. Politicians and talking heads point to the decline of the American family and a decrease in family values. This implies that



people marry without caring whether or not they might divorce. While there certainly are cases of inebriated Las Vegas weddings, this is simply not reflective of the majority of marriages in our country. The overwhelming majority of couples start their marriages believing that their relationships will last. This raises the question posed by my undergraduate

psychology professor during a lecture on romantic relationships, "What happens?"

This question was a turning point in my academic career. At the time, I was majoring in mechanical engineering and taking psychology courses because they were interesting. I had always been fascinated with how machines

worked, and through my psychology courses I discovered an incredibly fascinating

machine – the human mind. It was not just the questions about the human mind that drew me to psychology, but the objective way researchers approached answering these questions. As I sat in my class contemplating what happens in romantic relationships that make them work or not work, I realized that this was not just

"It was not just the questions about the human mind that drew me to psychology, but the objective way researchers approached answering these questions."

Rachel Dinero, PhD

a rhetorical question. This was a question with real answers that were based on empirical research. I met with my professor for over an hour, discussing the basics of relationship research. By the end of the day I had decided to leave behind two years of coursework in engineering and change my major to psychology. I have not looked back since.

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The next two years were a whirlwind, cramming in four years of psychology courses, research experience, and extracurricular activities in order to be a competitive graduate school applicant. Although it was a challenge, it was infinitely better than my time in engineering. I was passionate about my classes and was able to work as a research assistant in the relationship lab of the very professor who changed the course of my academic career with one question, "What happens?" As I worked in his lab, interviewing married couples and observing their interactions, I knew exactly where I wanted my degree in psychology to take me. I wanted to eventually stand up in front of my own class and ask them the same kinds of questions. And, above all, I wanted to

have at least some of the answers.

While I cannot claim to have all the answers, I have dedicated my relatively young career to understanding what makes relationships work. In graduate school I was fortunate to work with Dr. Phillip Shaver, who developed one of the most powerful frameworks for understanding romantic relationships: romantic attachment



theory. This theory focuses on the beliefs and expectations that each individual brings to a romantic relationship. These beliefs and expectations can be conceptualized along two dimensions: anxiety and avoidance. Attachment anxiety reflects the extent to which individuals are clingy and fear abandonment. Highly anxious individuals often engage in excessive reassurance seeking (e.g., frequently asking their partners if they really love them), and seek out high levels of emotional closeness. Attachment avoidance reflects the extent to which individuals are uncomfortable with closeness and trust. Highly avoidant individuals are more comfortable keeping emotional distance from their partners and prefer to rely on themselves rather than their partners. Attachment security reflects the extent to which individuals are low on both anxiety and avoidance. Secure individuals are comfortable with both closeness and independence.

A myriad of relationship behaviors can be explained with these attachment orientations. Secure couples are more likely to have longer, more satisfied relationships because they can more easily express both positive and negative emotions and communicate in constructive ways. While anxious individuals experience high levels of passion and commitment, their relationships suffer from emotional volatility. It is virtually impossible to meet his or her unrealistically high needs and expectations, ultimately frustrating both partners. Avoidant individuals have difficulty with commitment, and often prefer not to turn toward their partner for help. This distance can be detrimental to the stability and satisfaction of their relationships. Current research continues to explore the links between attachment and romantic relationship outcomes. I have chosen to continue this line of research by exploring the developmental trajectory of romantic attachment. My preliminary findings indicate that, as previously theorized, romantic attachment is influenced by relationships with parents and romantic partners.

While attachment theory is just one framework for understanding "what happens" in relationships, it is a powerful one. It also serves as an excellent teaching tool to help students understand their own behaviors in romantic relationships. In my first-year seminar, students assess their attachment orientations through validated measures of attachment anxiety and avoidance. They then use this information to explain their own relationship behaviors. Several students in the Psychology Club liked this exercise so much they decided to make the measure available to the entire college community and sell attachment orientation profiles to raise funds to attend a conference.

Students' enthusiasm for this mate-

### tion. There are so many "what happens" questions in psychology. I can only hope that just one of them will become an inspiration to the students in the way it was to me.

rial fuels my passion for research and teaching. Now that I have the privilege

of standing at the front of the classroom,

I get to look out at the students as their eyes light up with curiosity and fascina-

### About the Author:



Rachel Dinero, assistant professor of psychology in Cazenovia's Division of Social & Behavioral Sciences, came to the College in 2007, after teaching at the University of California, Davis, and at Sacramento

City College. Her research focuses on the development of social relationships, primarily romantic relationships. She is particularly interested in the role that parents and friends play in romantic relationship development.

She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology at the University of Florida and her doctoral degree in psychology at the University of California, Davis. She was honored with Cazenovia College's 2011 Making *a Difference Award*, which recognizes significant contributions to Student Development outside the classroom. She is a member of the American Psychological Association and the Eastern Psychological Association.

Her research has been published by Self & Identity; Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin; Journal of Family Psychology and other professional publications.



### STUDENT UPDATES

## Cazenovia takes on Canterbury

Cazenovia students study abroad at Canterbury Christ Church University in the U.K.



rom taking 16 credits of study, including courses on Modern Britain and British Literature, to traveling by foot, bus, train and plane across the European Union, this year's group of students fully embraced their time studying abroad in Canterbury.

Dr. Sharon Dettmer, professor of Social Science and International Studies, accompanied the students to Canterbury this past fall and commented on their academic work. "The students were challenged and very engaged in their course work. The phenomenal library and

"I loved visiting new places and experiencing different cultures. This definitely won't be the last time I come to England."

Living with other students from Britain and other European countries was also an integral part of the experience. Naomi Figueroa, a Communication Studies major, cooked 'family' meals with her roommates. Figueroa feels that this is "definitely an experience that shouldn't be missed! I can't wait to come back."

When asked about her impressions of Canterbury, Kathleen Murray, a sophosearch and writing." more in International Studies, compared the semester to her other international experiences. "I have spent entire summers traveling to different countries, but my the experience. The experiences do not compare to my time at Canterbury. It was so rewarding to local trips in Engbe totally immersed in a different culture and to live with people who grew up in different parts of the world." Oxford University, Emma Grossman, Social Science major, gave this advice. "Although I missed Cazenovia, I would recommend studying London. Michelle abroad. I see the world with a whole new perspective now."

> All the students expressed similar sentiments. But Rachel Palmer, a Studio Art major, put it most succinctly, "I will really miss this place. So glad I did this!"

> Other students who studied abroad in Canterbury during the fall 2012 semester included Samantha Barnes, Human Services; Daniel Goewey, Psychology; Jessica Green, English and Communication Studies; Steven Ochoa, Social Science; Jason Ruoff, Studio Art -Photography; Lauren Schumann, Communication Studies; and Samantha Young, Communication Studies.



related that she "liked that Canterbury

I would have to say Windsor Castle was

took time to set up field trips for us.

my favorite visit because the inside is

Jennifer Krist and Madeleine Slack,

Equine Business Management majors,

traveled to a number of countries. Jennifer

exclaimed, "I was able to visit and experi-

ence Scotland, Ireland, France, Italy and

Belgium." Kelly Lawson (Equine Busi-

ness Management) and Justina Bowen

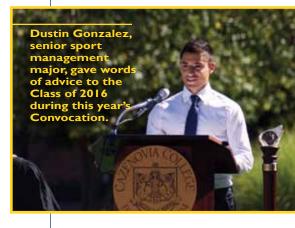
(Criminal Justice and Psychology) also

traveled extensively. Lawson stated,

so beautiful!"

### Seniors "Star" in Convocation

Ceremonial launching of academic year offers new twist in 2012



In addition to assembling in the annual ceremony of renewal that marked the start of another academic year, this year's Convocation placed a new focus upon spotlighting and lauding the accomplishments of Cazenovia's senior students.

"What better way is there to demonstrate to our first year students how successful one can become at Cazenovia College than our seniors, who serve as tangible examples of students who have taken opportunities

to build their resumes and successful futures for themselves right here at Cazenovia," said President Mark Tierno.

This message was carried forward at Convocation by seniors Dustin Gonzalez, Megan McDermott, and Princess Weekes, who formally welcomed members of the Class of 2016 into the college community.

Dustin Gonzalez - a sport management major, student-athlete, member of the Student Government Association, president of the Sport Management Club, and a former residence hall advisor – told freshmen that "Caz is the place full of opportunity, potential, and life-long friendships. You have four years to gather as many friends, opportunities, and experiences as you can. The clock starts now."

Megan McDermott - a human services major, star student-athlete, and member of both the Human Services and the Human Rights clubs - urged students to "Sit with someone new at lunch, join a club, and don't hesitate to make a new friend. The days are long, but the years are short, so don't waste any time while you're here."

Closing out the formal remarks at Convocation 2012 was Princess Weekes, an English major, master student, member of the Student Government Association, and active member of numerous student clubs. "The person I was when I first stepped onto this campus is a shadow of the person I am today, not just because of the knowledge that I have obtained, but because of the people who have shaped me."



### Using Art to Raise Funds for Aid Agencies



Heather Murfitt came to Cazenovia College to study psychology, but following an internship at Dreams for Kids in Washington, D.C., she had a dream that changed her thinking and her major to Human Services.

At Dreams for Kids, Murfitt, of Syracuse, New York, planned and implemented a holiday event for 700 children. When the internship ended, she wanted to keep doing the same kind of work while enrolled in college. She says, "I looked at the paintings on my walls and decided I could raise money by selling them."

She created an internet art store, Hakuna Matata, and began hosting art shows of her own and others' work. So far, she has raised about \$2,000, with at least fifty percent going to Dreams for Kids – for underprivileged kids; Falling Whistles – for child soldiers; and Urban Light – for Thai child sex slaves.

Professor Mary Handley, the Human Services Program director, says, "This is an amazing story about the power of internships, the power of one person and the power of commitment and passion in human services to make the world a better place."

Murfitt says, "Someday I hope to have a store where I sell artwork and local crafts to raise money to help people. My goal is to show the community that you can help others by doing something different."

For more information, visit www.hakunamatata.storenvy.com.

## Dean, Coach and Mayor Gives Message of Perseverance

Carla DeShaw '84 credits Cazenovia College with providing a foundation of skills

t is not



uncommon to find Carla DeShaw '84 working on a national initiative to develop training opportunities for adult learners: collaborating on a five-state program to teach economically disadvantaged students digital literacy skills; focus-

Education and Workforce Development at Cayuga Community College (CCC) in Auburn, New York, and mayor of the Village of Canastota, New York.

DeShaw arrived at Cazenovia College in 1982, a shy, small-town student pursuing a business degree. She previously attended SUNY Cortland to study education, but preferred the intimate class sizes at Cazenovia. She distinctly remembers her advisor, Doris Hold**orf**, who immediately made her feel at home, and Professor Joe Adamo who made accounting fun and interesting. Carla, who received scholarship support for volleyball and softball, commented that attending Cazenovia was "the best two-year investment I ever made." At Cazenovia, she learned

> teamwork, leadership and public speaking. She graduated in 1984, a confident young woman who went on to study at SUNY Oswego and earned a master of science degree and certificate of advanced study in educational administration.

> > At CCC, DeShaw works on linking credit and non-cred-

it programs to create new career pathways for students; creating adult literacy programs, as well as vocational programming; building opportunities through the Center for Business & Industry; overseeing the visioning for a former CCC Fulton campus; infusing entrepreneurship within the broader college curriculum; serving in a community engagement role for the president of CCC;



and launching economic development

strategies as part of her NYS Governor appointed-role on the leadership team of the Regional Economic Develop-

ment Council (REDC). Most notable is how the non-credit program at CCC grew from 200 registrants to 3,500 in two years under DeShaw's leadership.

Her perseverance also helped CCC to

receive funding to build its first plastics

lab that will boost plastics technology

training for NYS community colleges.

Village of Canastota in 2012. She was

asked to run for mayor because of her

extensive community involvement, in-

cluding serving five years on the school

board, coaching at the high school, and

helping to salvage a critically needed

DeShaw is most proud of being recog-

nized by the Canastota Central School

District with the Athletics Association

Distinguished Alumni Award, and

invited to speak at The Wheler Fam-

ily Conference at Cazenovia College.

"Being honored by your alma mater

validates that the people who helped you

now recognize that you have become the

leader they wanted you to be," she says.

DeShaw, who has served on the Ca-

zenovia Alumni Association Board of

Directors, offers this advice to today's

students: "Consider all options. Take

never know where they will lead you.

Keep an open mind, and.....persevere."

advantage of all opportunities whether or not they fit what you want to do. You

village daycare program.

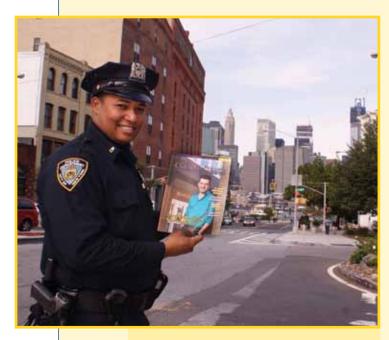
DeShaw was elected mayor of the

(L-R) Doris Holdorf, Joe Adamo and Carla DeShaw '84



Going on vacation? Heading to a major sporting event? Climbing a mountain? In whatever interesting location you find yourself, why not take along an issue of the Cazenovia College Magazine? Pose with your alma mater's magazine and you could someday find yourself among the pages.

Please send your photo(s), a caption and any photo credit to communications@cazenovia.edu or Office of Communications, 22 Sullivan St., Cazenovia, NY 13035. Let's see where you've been!



Polo Burgos '04 with a copy of the magazine in Brooklyn, New York



ing on economic development projects for Central New York communities; or aggressively seeking grant opportunities to increase revenue sources for higher education. DeShaw's plate is more than full — it is overflowing with creative, pioneering efforts that are providing critical resources for a variety of constituencies. She is doing all of this while wearing two professional hats: dean of Community

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(Front row, L-R) Kristin Burger '07, Rachel Simone Ludwig '07, Eric Ludwig, Jenna Lipiski '07 (Back row, L-R) Lauren Paul '09, Stephen Simone '10, Theresa Rice '06, Alyssa Tidd '09, Lisa Folsom '07, assistant director of admissions; and Erin Clinton '09



Sheila Ehlinger '58, reads the Connexus section of the Cazenovia College Magazine while visiting The Hough, Nantwich, England.

## PHILanthropy at its finest

Young alumnus Phil Sheehan '11 gives back to the community and to Cazenovia College



hilanthropy is often described as an act of spreading goodwill to fellow members of the human race. It's quite fitting that young alumnus Phil Sheehan '11 shares part

of his name with that very word because he has enjoyed a life of community service for as long as he can remember.

At an early age, Sheehan became heavily involved in Boy Scouts of America, and he credits that experience with shaping who he is today. "My participation instilled in

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me a sense of honesty, patriotism, civic duty, courtesy, and concern for others, among other things, but the major lessons I learned were about leadership and perspective."

Sheehan recalls

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"Then and now, I feel that whether it's time, money or service, there are many ways I can give back and help others succeed."

time for him to begin his "trail to pay back," and to foster the talents and abilities of those just getting started. Those words hit home.

"Then and now, I feel that whether it's time, money or service, there are many ways I can give back and help others succeed," notes Sheehan. "It's the least I can do to repay the efforts of those who aided me with my goals."

Enter Cazenovia College. When Sheehan, a criminal justice and homeland security studies major, arrived on campus as a freshman, he jumped into service opportunities and never looked back. He is a founding member of the College's chapter of the National Criminal Justice Society, the former vice president of Alpha Lambda Delta, and a past member of the Criminal Justice Society, Alpha Chi and Sigma Alpha Phi National Honor Societies.

His most notable College involvement was with the Campus Fire Service and EMS Club - the student/firefighter program that partners with the Cazenovia Fire Department. The club allowed him to take special classes on rope rescue, ice water rescue, firefighter rescue, and automobile extrication, all while he became an emergency medical technician. Connections he made during his junior-year



Phil Sheehan 'I I (left) with brother Daniel



**Cazenovia College roommates** Mark Allen 'I I (left) and Phil Sheehan 'l l (right) with Assistant Chief Enders in February 2011 when they received the Fire Chief's Award from the **Cazenovia Fire Department.** 

internship with the DeWitt Fire Department afforded him the opportunity to work part-time, during his senior year, for Safety Compliance Services (SCS), the company he now works for as the Northeast director of operations.

When Sheehan recalls his passage from young scout to Cazenovia alumnus, he notes that scholarships and financial aid played a major role in his journey. "The 1824 Society Scholarship made it possible for me to attend Caz, and excel as a student and as an alumnus, thus far," he says.

It's now all coming full circle for Sheehan. He took his mentor's words of wisdom to heart and has proved that it's never too soon to pay forward the good deeds of others. Currently, he is the youngest alumni member of The 1824 Society, the very same circle that assisted him with his academic endeavors. He understands the great importance of giving back and hopes to inspire others in the process. "The generous contributions of donors allowed me to succeed and I feel it proper to pay that back now."



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### **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

The 11th Annual Cazenovia College Golf Open, held on August 13, 2012, at the Cazenovia Country Club, was a huge success. Seventeen foursomes (including a record number of lady golfers!) teed off for a great day of golf. The tournament raised more than \$14,000, which will directly benefit Cazenovia College students through campus and athletic initiatives.

Golf committee members included Kaleb Wilson '07, tournament chair; Jessica Hanley Johnson '07, Rob Kenna, director of athletics; and John Lehman, director of dining, conferences and catering.



Winners of the 11th Annual Cazenovia College Golf Open: (L-R) Eric Brown '97, trustee; Victor DiSerio, trustee; Jim Freyer and Tony Cabana

Members of the Cazenovia College Alumni Association and Department of Athletics extend their thanks to everyone who helped make this annual event both enjoyable and successful. A special thank you goes to Trustee Victor DiSerio for his added support of the 2012 tournament.

SAVE THE DATE!! The 2013 Cazenovia College Open will be held on Monday, August 12

### **Share Your News** for Class Notes!

Please help keep our office and 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 and include your name, address, the year you graduated, telephone number and email address. Please identify individuals in photographs.

Photographs will not be returned. Electronic photos must be in high resolution jpg, PDF or tif format, no smaller than 300 dpi and 3 x 3 inches or larger in size. Class Notes will be edited for length and style. Notes are recommended to be 80 words or less in order to accommodate the growing number of alumni submissions. Class Notes does not publish information relative to promoting your business.

Send the information to: Marcia Neumiller, Alumni Relations, 22 Sullivan Street, Cazenovia, NY 13035 Or, email mmneumiller@cazenovia.edu Thank you!

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## **CLASS NOTES**

Erwin Rice '40 writes, "Gwenn and I celebrated our 57th wedding anniversary. I missed the NYS Senior Games this year due to a scheduling error. While visiting Colorado, I climbed up on the trampoline and my grandson took a picture. I just wanted to show that I could do it. Gwenn said it could show something else and best forget it. One important note is that in last year's "America's Got Talent" show, our grandson was part of the Silhouettes dance group that

won second place. This led to several other engagements around the country."

Barbara Faranda Schwartz '54 and her husband, Bob, are proud to share a photo of their 11 grandchildren. Barb sends best wishes to all in the Class of 1954.





The grandchildren of Barbara Faranda Schwartz '54

Susan Heller Somerville '60 writes. "After I finished at Caz in 1960, I went to UC Berkeley and resided in the area for many years. Last December, I moved to Israel and am happily living in Jerusalem, in the Katamon area. Contact me at susomerville@yahoo.com if you will be coming to Israel. My son is director of the Department of Finance and Commerce at the University of British Colombia. His wife works in development there. My grandchildren love Vancouver; and my granddaughter becomes a Bat Mitzvah at the end of October. My grandson is entrenched in being a typical teenager."

Virginia Owen Philippy '61 writes, "Don't let anyone try to convince you that age matters. Sure we get older but wisdom is such a wonderful thing. Sedentary should not be in our vocabulary unless ill health has come your way. I am presently teaching art two days a week at a private school (after 25 years in the public system) and also teach art three to four days a week in my home studio. Retirement, after all, was not the goal; living what I love to the fullest is."

Marra Casserino Giuliano '64 writes, "Life continues to be good. Retirement has given us an opportunity to do all the things we had to put on hold for lack of time. My husband, Michael, has found a new career as a master woodworker, and I've returned to the arts. Hard to believe so many years have passed since graduation from Caz. Hello to my 'roomie' Mary Callen Panlener '64. Mary recently phoned and we had an opportunity to catch up on old times. She asked about Beth Lake Goldin '64, so Beth if you're reading this, drop Mary a line. Heard from Paula Carriera Andrewson '64 who I'm hopeful I will meet up with for a cup of coffee in 2013. Hi to Nancy Bobrick Michaud '64, Joan Goldman Zoslow '64, Sue Massey Schofield '64, Patsy Jarvis Staedler '64, Charlotte Purdy Monette '64, and all the girls in Centennial and Hubbard Halls. As always, I think of and miss Pindy Mastin Brister '64 whose life was cut too short. Best to all."

Sandra Sucharski Matteson '65 has been married to her husband, Bob, for 46 years. The couple has two children, leff and Kate, and one grandchild - a sweet-

ten-year-old girl named Morgan. Sandra writes, "We are semi-retired and living in Santa Fe, New Mexico and enjoy traveling the West. I had dinner in Caz in July; the town is still one of my favorites."

Barrie Foote Newman '65 writes, "Just wanted to let the class of 1965 know that I will soon begin to be in touch to encourage everyone to start thinking about our 50th reunion in 2015. Let's make it the BIGGEST ever. Please contact me at newmanbarrie@yahoo.com if you are interested in helping get everyone involved. Thanks and see you in 2015!"

Joan Carpenter Armstrong '67 shares that she enjoyed the reunion with **Pam** VanEseltine Testone '67, Libby Noonan White '67, Holly Noll Russo '67 and Virginia Charles Coldwell '67 who all stayed at her house for the weekend. loan writes, "We also loved seeing Jody Franklin Burrows '67. It was like Park 2nd South all over again. Gordie and I have been married for 45 years and have three children: Scott, Greg and Amy, and nine grandchildren including two sets of twins. I am retired but am a volunteer/ liaison for GBS/CIDP Foundation International and hold support groups for that organization since recovery from GBS in 2010. Gordie is a real estate broker for GPS Realty."

Holly Noll Russo '67 writes, "I hadn't been back to Cazenovia College for 45 years. I had the time of my life and I encourage anyone to go to a reunion that hasn't been because they'll have a blast. I can assure them!"

Patricia (Patti) Haskell '69 writes, "My son, Micah, married his sweetheart of six years on Sept. 1, 2012. I'm still on cloud nine and am so thrilled to have a daughter-in-law. I did not officiate at the wedding as I wanted to just be the mother of the groom, but I did bless them with the priestly blessing just before they broke the glass."

Laura Dillingham-Mailman '71 shares, "This has been an exciting and busy year, as I have begun my 20th year as the Merrimac Council on Aging & Senior Center's executive director; was elected to the Merrimac Board of Selectmen; and my youngest daughter got married. On the

way to the wedding, a car went through a red light and totaled both cars. I received a concussion, bruises and lacerations... but nothing would keep me from the wedding! After over three months in the recovery process, I am finally back to work. I am a trustee for the Merrimac Savings Bank. As an elder advocate, l serve on many boards and committees including the state association Massachusetts Councils on Aging where I have been president and continue to serve on the Executive Committee; the Elder Services of Merrimac Valley Board of Directors; and Northern Essex Elder Transport Board of Directors. My husband, George, and I are looking forward to our 35th anniversary this April!"

Susan Barber Pendergast '72 writes, "As of June 30, 2012, all of my daughters are happily married, and I have three

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For information on 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.

## Alumna Traces Career to Cazenovia College Experience

Stephanie Kravec '64, returns to her roots in Central New York



of spirituality to continuous recovery; and recovery from addictions, childhood trauma and eating disorders. Her private "... there's a feeling of acceptance and

recognition as a valued member of the Cazenovia College community."

- Stephanie Kravec '64

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feeling of acceptance and recognition as a valued member of the Cazenovia College community.

Based on her work at the Huntington

in the Bronx, she was advised to do

found my calling."

clinical training. She says, "It's there I

Family Center and as a probation officer

Kravec is a licensed psychotherapist who treats people with addictive disorders.

Among her interests are the relationship

practice has

grown to ac-

commodate

Manhattan,

Westchester

offices in

County

and most

recently, in

Cazenovia.

that being a

member of

the Alumni

Board of

Directors

"has been

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She says

Even though I'm involved in a new way, the sense of inclusion and the emotional experience is what I felt as a student. My contribution now is to perpetuate the experience of individual attention that gives students the ability to grow, the freedom to explore their creativity and find their special mission in life. Caz is a great place to nurture desires and dreams."

**CLASS NOTES** continued

beautiful grandchildren. I'm still teaching music, but my retirement time is fast approaching. I am having a great life!"



Valerie Lawton Weaver '72 and husband, John

### Valerie Lawton

Weaver '72 shares that she and her husband, John, celebrated their 39th wedding anniversary on November 13. Valerie writes, "This year I was named president of Lawton's Travel Service, Inc., our family-owned business, and was honored to receive one of the 2012 YWCA Distinguished Women Awards. Thanks Caz for your life-long lessons that have served me well!"

Patricia Chambers Ellis '75 is a student at the St. John's University School of Theology in Collegeville, Minnesota, where she is pursuing a Master of Arts degree in liturgical music.

Paula Stec Fenger '75 has relocated to Yardley, PA, with her husband, Chris. Paula is a member of the Cazenovia College Board of Trustees.



**Robin Pearson Weisbrod '76 and** husband, Gerry

**Roberta Pearson Weisbrod '76** writes, "Gerry and I celebrated 35 years of marriage this past August. Our kids helped us celebrate with a surprise party. As some of you know, we adopted our oldest granddaughter when she was six; she is now 21 and a mother. Clayton Adam Weisbrod was born May 16 and joins a passel of other grandchildren. They are living with us for the time being, and we are really enjoying watching the stages. I am the 'on call' caretaker, helping out where and when needed. Gerry retired from Chrysler nine years ago, and has worked since then at the New York State Fairgrounds, year-round, as a member of the parking crew and as an information officer. You probably have met him and not known. We love to take our 5th-wheel camping and spend time with good friends."

wonderful time at the 2012 Reunion last lune. She reconnected with lifetime friends from Caz.

Naline Rodriguez '86 writes, "Since graduating from Cazenovia, I have worked in the equine industry. I started out with jumpers, grooming in 'A' rated shows. From there, I went over to flat racing and worked at track and training barns. I worked for a few distinguished thoroughbred sales barns. I moved to Florida where I worked in several thoroughbred farms. I've also been a veterinary technician in two top-notch equine hospitals in Ocala, assisted in surgeries and as a road technician. Due to my equine experience I was able to become an equine adjuster for an insurance company which led me to staying in the insurance industry where I still work. I have many great memories and Caz is on

**tephanie Kravec '64** found her future at Cazenovia College. The U first generation of her family born in the United States, Kravec grew up in Syracuse, New York. "I wasn't sure I wanted to go to college," she says, "but my mother knew and loved (President) Rhea Eckel, so at her urging, I applied."

In heeding her mother's advice, Kravec found her life's work. "Cazenovia Col-

lege had the feeling of a finishing school then, because Rhea insisted we learn the fine points of etiquette; but the small classes and individual attention gave me a love of learning."

with Dr. Lionel Dannick," she says. "I knew this was something I needed to pursue." Kravec earned her bachelor's and master's degrees in social work.

"I took sociology and psychology classes

Denise Doherty Valenti '77 had a



onathan Arrindell '87 with his grandson Mister Amiel Charles Wadley

the top of my list. One of the best decisions I made was to attend the College. It opened up a new world for a girl from the NYC projects."

Jonathan Arrindell '87 is thrilled to share a photo of himself with grandson, Mister Amiel Charles Wadley.

### 25th Year

Pamela Bailey Timby-Straitiff '88 is an interior designer/CID associate at Carmina, Wood, Morris. This firm was responsible for the restoration of the





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110-year-old Hotel at the Lafayette in Buffalo, New York.

## Gretchen

Ramsey Lansing '92 is excited to share that she has opened a new business called Healing Elements. The facility has three beautifully remodeled

treatment

and offers

massage

rooms

Gretchen Ramsey Lansing '92

therapy, personal training, Graston technique, lymphatic drainage, nutrition counseling and meditation coaching, and Kinesio Taping."

### 20th Year

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Colleen Mills Dailey '93 writes," wanted to drop a line so all my Caz alumni friends would know that I went back to school for a change in my career! I graduated with an AAS in Nursing from Crouse College of Nursing in Syracuse last May and passed my state boards on July 2.1 am now officially an RN in the state of New York. I accepted a position at Crouse

Hospital in Syracuse on their orthopedic and neurology unit, and began work in June. It never ceases to amaze me the twists and turns your life can take, but the whole way, I've had support from many friends I met back in my days at Cazenovia College! Thank you all!"

Heather Welsh '93 married Arthell Day on April 6, 2012, in the Outer Banks of North Carolina. Several Cazenovia classmates were bridesmaids: Stephanie Babcock Shirley '93, Tracee Paeno-Rigby '93 and Valerie Aaserud Roy '93. Heather and Arthell reside in Garner, North Carolina. and have three children.

Allison Busch Benedict '95 writes, "I just want to give a shout-out to all my pals from Watts and Park Halls from 1993-94 and Farber 1994-95. Email me at allisonb75@gmail.com. I would love to catch up! I've been happily involved with Don for five years and have a seven-yearold son, Johnny."



Allison Busch Benedict '95 with son, Johnny, and husband, Don



Patrick Borello '06 and Katie Kurty '05

Patrick Borello '06 writes,"My wife, Katie Kurty '05, and I finished the Denver Rock n' Roll Marathon (26.2 miles) on September 22. Katie had a time of 3:46 and I finished at 3:47. Katie is working as an assistant teacher for a kindergarten class, and I'm a graphic designer for Ricoh Americas Corporation. In 2010, we got married on the island of St. Croix. We moved to Colorado last year from Saratoga Springs, New York. and love it out here!"

Amy Dawn Gingher '06 and Randy Samuel Langley '06 were married on August 20, 2011 at the Lake Winola United Methodist Church in Lake Winola, Pennsylvania. Lindsey Colburn '06 of Omaha, Nebraska, served as maid of honor. Fellow Cazenovia classmates in attendance were Deena Cady '06, Jennifer Jones'06, Megan Boss '06, and Amber McMullin '07. Amy and



Heather Welsh Day '93 and bridal party



Amy Gingher Langley '06 and Randy Langley '06

Randy met during their senior year at Cazenovia College while participating on the Equestrian Team. They currently reside in Tunkhannock, PA. Amy is in her sixth year working in marketing at English Riding Supply. Randy is running his own IT business: Endless Mountain Tech Solutions, and e-commerce store LateHarvestShop.com.

George Chamberlain '10, a graduate of the Business Program, announces his engagement to Monica Aldrich 'II, a graduate of the Inclusive Elementary Education Program. They are to be married June 29, 2013 in New York.



Blair Wiser 'I I and

Wesley Posson 'I I became engaged on October 13, 2012.



### Upcoming Alumni Events -Winter/Spring 2013

W hether on the road or on campus, the Office of Alumni Relations hosts a wide variety of events to keep alumni connected and involved with Cazenovia College and one another. Below is a listing of where the College will be during the winter and spring months.

• FEBRUARY Dallas, Texas Charlotte, North Carolina

• MARCH **Philadelphia** Syracuse, New York

• APRIL Washington, DC\* Virginia - Richmond and Alexandria\* Chicago Vernon, New York Connecticut\*

### • MAY Massachusetts\* Florida

\*Dr. Tierno will share his vision for the College's future and provide an update on Building Futures One at a Time: The Campaign for Cazenovia College.

## In fond Memory

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

Stephanie Chrzanowski Beers '64 Constance Mayfield Trinkley '75 Dawn Kemp '79 Daniel Grover '00 Barbara S. McCarthy former faculty

Please continue to keep us informed by forwarding information to Shari Whitaker, director of alumni relations, at 315.655.7332 or sswhitaker@cazenovia.edu.

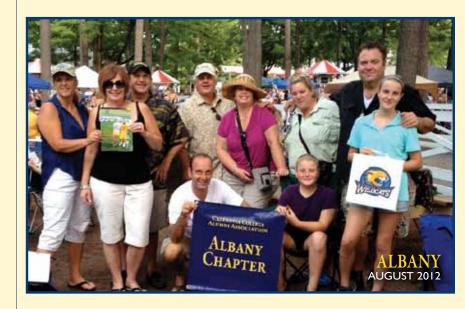


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## Alumni **Events**

The Office of Alumni Relations had a busy fall visiting alumni and friends across New York State and Central Florida. Alumni from the classes of 1942 to 2012 gathered to reminisce and learn about the exciting things happening on campus.



Association hosted a day at Saratoga Race Track.

The Albany Chapter of the Cazenovia College Alumni (L-R, kneeling) Tod Vanwert '86 and Elyse Flannery (L-R, standing) Kim Gallup Ladd '82, alumni board member; Linda Testa '81, Steve Sorricone, Steve MacArthur, Shelley Bullock '85, Jennifer Sullivan Flannery '85, Michael Flannery '86, trustee; **Claire Flannery** 

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he Long Island/New York City Chapter of the Cazenovia College Alumni Association gathered for an autumn luncheon in Patchogue, New York.

(L-R) David Hofmann, Johanne Smith Hofmann '54, Joe Goubeaud, Veronica Pisarz Goubeaud '73, Darla Dann Melaniff '85, Alice Chapman '85, Marjie Dobin Miller '69, trustee; Tracy Edwards '92, Raquel Aponte '89, Kristin Burger '07, alumni board member; Albana Gurabardhi, Arsen Gurabardhi '08, Shari Whitaker, director of alumni relations; Stephanie Macero, senior development associate; **Bill Burger, Barb Burger** 

**AAIT**I OVEMBER 2012

Alumni and friends joined President Mark Tierno at the Century Club for an update on Building Futures One at a Time: The Campaign for Cazenovia College.

(L-R) Pete Way '03, director of the annual fund; Erica Brooks, Michael Brooks '01, assistant director of athletics; Fathi Altheblah '02, Darnell Buckingham '12, **Brad Wheler, trustee** 





**Polly Koerner** 

The Office of Alumni **Relations** visited Central Florida in late November.

(L-R) Carolyn

Cobb Wallace '63

and Bob Wallace



Shari Whitaker and Donald Ferro '85



(L-R, seated) Lynda Wayne Miller '61 and **Debbie Reis** (L-R, standing) Louise Kushner Brown '70, Diane Hill Faber '61, Sharon Bush Molthen '59, Susan Wagner Reis '59, Jo Anne Roberts French '69

(L-R) Former Trustee **Gordon Wheler and** 

President Mark Tierno and the Office of Alumni Relations co-hosted holiday luncheons for alumni, current parents and friends of the College. Dr. Tierno shared news about Building Futures One at a Time: The Campaign for Cazenovia College.



(L-R, seated) Former Trustee Carol Feol O'Neill '54 and Jayne Yates '49 (L-R, standing) Ginny Peterson Bourke '55 and Marion Lewis Merrill '48

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(L-R, seated) George Orosz, Paul Mahoney and Renee Mahoney (L-R, standing) Debra Orosz, President Mark Tierno, Mary Zimmer, **Bruce Zimmer and Aimee Jensen** 



(Seated) Barbara Wheler, trustee emerita (First row, L-R) Jennifer Buonomo Sweet '07, Mary Burton Thompson '59, former trustee; Doris Eversfield Webster '46, former trustee; Gordon Wheler, former trustee (Second row, L-R) Elsbeth W. Morgan, former trustee, Eric Sweet, Jon Thompson, Judith Bond Clarke '59, Bette Brown Carpenter '48, alumni board member; Bob Cody (Third row, L-R) Charles B. Morgan, trustee emeritus; President Mark Tierno, Cyndi Pratt-Tierno, director, office of special services; Jack Koerner, former trustee; Kathleen Bice, Dr. Bob Greene, Paul J. Schupf professor of history and humanities



### (First row, L-R)

President Mark Tierno, Jennifer Davis Kenneally '78, Joseph Kaczyski, Connie Waiksnoris, Lynn Condon, Ellen Flasterstein Reohr '71, Andrea Sebeck '97, Jean Rosato Chase '84, Debra Verni '98 (Second row, L-R)

Bill Kenneally, Maria Lange, Dee Mastroianni '68, Lisa Neddermeyer Jordan '88, Kim Gallup Ladd '81, alumni board member; Alex Simon '07, Andrew Sebeck, Anne Sebeck, Lori Cassella McFarren '85, Ernest Verni (Third row, L-R) David Umlauf '86, Joseph Waiksnoris, Michael Lange, Linda Testa '81



(L-R) Arsen Gurabardhi '08, Carol Satchwell, vice-president for institutional advancement; Justin Bluto '08 and Mouhamadou Diaman '09



(L-R, seated) **Christine and Lotar Nordman** (L-R, standing) Linda Presley-Beauford '02 and Jennifer Presley

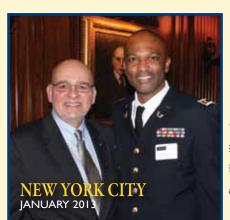


(L-R) Dolly Weiss, former professor of psychology; President Mark Tierno, Harwant Dosanjh, former professor of math and science

(L-R) President Mark Tierno and Major Dorion Germany '92



(L-R) Elenora Kupencow and Sheila Ehlinger '58



## Art Career Begins on Times Square Jumbotron

Public "Artists Wanted" exhibition launches a *career for recent graduate* 



🕇 t is not always a killer marketing strategy that gets an artist noticed; **L** sometimes it's just timing. This is the case for Cazenovia College graduate Lindsey Matousek '12, of Liverpool, New York, whose painting appeared on a Times Square jumbotron last summer as part of a competition sponsored by



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Artists Wanted (www.artistswanted.org), an online group dedicated to creating opportunities for great but undiscovered artists around the world.

The painting she entered was chosen as one of thousands of finalists to appear on an electronic billboard in Times Square in the competition titled Art Takes Times Square. At the June 2012 premiere of Art Takes Times Square (www.see. me/june18th), Matousek and her father were there to record the few moments her painting would be displayed. The camera malfunctioned, and the mog ment was gone. "Then my dad's cellphone rang," says Matousek.

"A relative, who had no idea we were also in the crowd, had gotten the photo we wanted."

"I was invited to the after party for Art Takes Times Square," she says. "I was really nervous, but I grabbed a bunch of my business cards

and went anyway. As I was leav-

ing I started talking with an illustrator who lives in the city, and he introduced me to people walking past. One of those was an artist/curator

New York City and talk to him about show opportunities." Infantes asked Matousek to be part of a show he is curating for a gallery in Chelsea next year, and mentioned that

he will be the guest curator for a future exhibition at a gallery in Germany. "It was extremely exciting," she says. "I just happened to run into the right people."

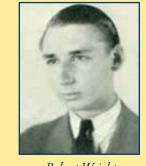
named Javier Infantes, who called me a few days later with an invitation to visit

Matousek is currently building her portfolio and saving money for graduate school. She paints for 7 to 16 hours every day in her studio space in her mother's basement. "Mom is very supportive of my ambition," she says, laughing, "but she says she really wishes I painted landscapes."

Matousek says aspiring artists need to be extremely motivated, and never give up. "I never thought I was going to even make it this far. Tenacity is the name of the game in the art world and in life."

Although she didn't win an award, being included in the show and the subsequent offers have given her all the motivation she needs. She says, "I want to be able to create things that help to share the deeper meanings of the human collective and current issues with the general population. I am hoping I will be able to become self-sustaining enough with my work that I can seriously focus on these messages."







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## Making a Career out of Caring for Others

Alumna and trustee cites family and professors as inspirations



fter my first visit to Cazenovia College," says **Judith Rose Nutting '73**, "I never looked at another school because I met two charismatic women, Dean **Winnie Coleman** and (President) **Rhea Eckel**." Nutting started as an art major but, as the child and grandchild of dentists, she began to gravitate toward medicine. "I learned my ABCs filing in my parents' office," she says.

Nutting believes she inherited her leaning toward the caring professions. "My mother exemplified her Norwegian ancestry – she was a caring and selfless woman who gave up her college scholarship to a male student when her principal suggested he could 'put it to

better use.' My father came from Clan Rose, a line of Scots who were known as the peace keepers of the Highlands," says Nutting.

> When she took a sociology course with **Dr. Lionel Dannick**, she knew she had found her calling. She remembers Assistant Professor **Dolly Weiss's** "The Psychology of Women," and **Dr. Bettina Jackson's** biology course, which Nutting says, "solidified my love for biology."

> Nursing, her chosen career path, required that she pass organic chemistry to be accepted in a baccalaureate nursing program. "**Dr. Harwant Dosanjh** guided me through that class," she says. "Because of her persistence, I was accepted at Syracuse University."

> Nutting began her career in public health nursing in Central New York. She says, "As a public health nurse, I often walked into family situations where I was not prepared to intervene," so she studied marriage and family therapy to counsel family caregivers.

She was part of a research team that found home health care generally less expensive and better for elderly patients than institutional settings. She is a proponent of holistic medicine, noting, "I added medical massage therapy after realizing, during my father's final illness, how important a simple thing like physical contact can be to people who are suffering."

Nutting's caring spirit also extends to ecology and history. As a resident of

Useppa Island, Florida, she joined the Useppa Island Historical Society and has been involved in the island's museum.

Serving on the Cazenovia College Board of Trustees is another form of caring for Nutting. She says that understanding group dynamics and systems theory has helped with her work on the Board, allowing her to empathize with other people's positions.

She says, "The alumni on the board have a special connection, supporting and encouraging each other, which promotes a very positive energy at board meetings. My training has also been helpful in my role on the Institutional Advancement Committee, identifying populations, businesses and philanthropic entities in fundraising. I am very impressed with the directions we are taking – Cazenovia is a very different college now than it was when I graduated, but it still has the same heart and soul. The atmosphere says to students 'yes, you can – go try something new."

### Judith R. Nutting '73

Education:

 Cazenovia College - A.S.
 Syracuse University - B.S., public health nursing; M.A., marriage and family therapy
 Finger Lakes School of Massage

Memberships: • Cazenovia College Board of Trustees: chair, Institutional Advancement Committee; member, Buildings and Grounds, Enrollment Management and Executive committees • Syracuse Women's Foundation and a past treasurer of VIP Structures, Inc.

Syracuse University's Omicron Nu National Honor Society, Alpha Iota chapter
DeWitt Community Church Board, advisor to the day care center

• NYS Society of Medical Massage Therapists

• Useppa Island Historical Association



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## Wildcats Update

A look back on a successful Fall 2012 season for Caz College Athletics

azenovia College coaches and student-athletes are proud to share this fall 2012 update with alumni and friends.

### Women's Soccer

The women's soccer team completed a memorable and record-setting regular season. The Wildcats set a program record with nine wins and the first



Men's Soccer

Under the leadership of first-year coach **Jim McIntyre**, the Cazenovia College men's soccer team has continued to build



upon its tradition of success. After finishing near the top of the North Eastern Athletic Conference (NEAC) regular season standings, the Wildcats advanced to the NEAC Championship Tournament's semi-final round behind the strong play of all-conference performers Gregoire Ducasse, David McDonald, Riley Battaglini, Oleg Martynyuk and Conor Cahalan. Due to their successful season, the team was invited to the 2012 ECAC Upstate Men's Soccer Division III Tournament, where they made their first appearance. Last year Cazenovia qualified, but no tournament was held in the upstate region.

### Women's Volleyball

Coming off an exceptional year in 2011, this year's women's volleyball team experienced several individual achievements that bode well for the Wildcats in the future. If they continue at their current pace, second-year players **Julianne Heigel** and **Shaylia Thomas** could make a run at the all-time kills record. Sophomore **Jackie Farrington** continued to show her defensive dominance from the libero position, while freshman Samantha McCarthy showed leadership and masterful skills on the court that will serve the Wildcats well over the next several years. The future looks bright for Coach **Brian Bobo** and the women's volleyball team.

### **Cross Country**

Once again, the women's cross country team was paced by NEAC all-conference performer **Kristen Nicolais**, who was the top finisher for the Wildcats in all races this fall. She was joined by seniors **Amy Evans** and **Maureen Wilson** in providing leadership and stability for the entire team. While the men's cross country team could not compete

as a team, they were fortunate to have the strong individual performance of **Patrick Ormsby** throughout the season. With Head Coach **Erin Kelly**'s dedication and guidance, the cross country program is sure to enjoy success for many years



### Athletics Hall of Fame Inducts Class of 2012

Jaclyn Capocefalo Winans '07 and Nicholas J. Christakos are honorea at the annual Blue & Gold Dinner



The Cazenovia College Department of Athletics announced the Hall of Fame Class of 2012 at the annual Blue & Gold Dinner during Homecoming/ Family Weekend. This year's inductees included former studentathlete Jaclyn Capocefalo Winans '07 and the late

Winans '07 and the late Nicholas J. Christakos, trustee emeritus.

Jaclyn Capocefalo Winans '07, throughout her time at Cazenovia College, embodied the spirit of Wildcats athletics. Her tenacious play and leadership on the field helped accumulate twenty wins for the women's soccer program, including establishing the program's highest single season win total. Capocefalo Winans was a superior defender for Cazenovia; she also managed to make big plays for the Wildcats, tallying ten assists and three game-winning goals over her career in blue and gold, placing her second and third respectively in those categories in the women's soccer program. Her dominance earned her recognition as the team's Most Valuable Player on three occasions, in addition to being selected as an all-conference performer in the North Eastern Athletic Conference in 2005.

The late Nicholas J. Christakos is one of only six Trustee Emeriti of Cazenovia College. A long-time Cazenovia resident and supporter of Cazenovia College and Wildcats athletics, Christakos became involved with the College in the 1970s. He received the College's Community Service Award in 1976 in recognition of his support of the College and community, and was instrumental in establishing a cooperative arrangement between the College, Memorial Association and American Legion so that the College's NCAA baseball and softball teams could play on Veterans Field. A gift from the Christakos family led to the naming of the College's turf field, Christakos Field, which will forever honor Nick and his many contributions to the College and community.

The Cazenovia College Hall of Fame was established in 2007 to recognize and



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honor student-athletes, teams, administrators, coaches, and supporters of Cazenovia College Athletics. Inductees embody the sportsmanship and spirit that personify the highest standards of Cazenovia College athletics. It is not too early to begin thinking about the Hall of Fame Class of 2013. Visit www.cazenoviawildcats.com to submit your online nomination form today!

### Wildcats Relive Their Glory Days

On the final day of Homecoming/ Family Weekend, more than 85 alumni returned to campus to compete in the Alumni Games. Whether on the court or in the pool, on the newly named Christakos Field, or on the baseball and softball diamonds at Veterans Field, current Wildcats proudly took on Wildcats from the past. The Athletics Department looks forward to even more participation next year as our student-athlete alumni base continues to grow. If you ever donned the blue and gold for Cazenovia College, make sure to mark your calendars for September 29, 2013, and take part in next year's Alumni Games.

SPOTLIGHT

## **Alumna Inspires Young** Men to Become Lawyers

Iyanna Henry's "I AM" Program fosters confidence in social and academic abilities

implementing a professional level service project with a demonstrable impact on an unmet need, in addition to maintaining her academic responsibilities. Henry says, "Very few minority men enter law school – it wasn't until I came to NCCU that I met any minority attorneys. I designed my project to change that."

Henry's pilot program, IAM (Identity,



spends many hours in the NCCU law library. She says, "The law exists to help people and protect our rights."

Tith assistance from a fellowship, Iyanna J. Henry '08 is sharing what she learned at Cazenovia College with young men in hopes they will pursue legal careers. She says, "I want to have a positive impact on our education systems and policies. My education at Cazenovia gave me confidence in my intellectual and analytical abilities to succeed in graduate school and in law school."

Henry credits Audrey Dreier-Morrison, associate director of Project REACH, and **DM Shepard**, lecturer, among many others, with "helping me build the confidence I needed to pursue academic and personal excellence." She served as master student for

Professor Tim McLaughlin's Race, Rights, and Resistance course, and was "inspired by his level of passion, empathy and activism."

Maureen Louis, associate professor of communication, was Henry's academic advisor and mentor, and the first lawyer she ever met. "She has a level of precision and confidence that I admired and a skill set I wanted to acquire," Henry says.

After earning a Master's Degree in higher education administration at SUNY Albany, Henry is studying law at North Carolina Central University (NCCU). She is the first NCCU School of Law student selected as an Albert Schweitzer Fellow, charged with designing and

Achievement, Matriculation), helped young men from the Durham Nativity School gain confidence in their social and academic abilities and increase their knowledge of the law through classroom and community service activities, and by learning debate strategies. Henry says, "They learned that if they can effectively and persuasively defend a position against any objections, their confidence can never be shaken."

Henry's career search is focused on education law, but career planning has not overshadowed her desire to continue the successful

*IAM* program by making the curriculum available for other schools to model, seeking funds and talking with officials at NCCU about adopting the program. Henry created a marketing DVD for the I AM Program and is seeking support from public and private sources to continue the program. She says, "I definitely plan to continue being actively involved."

Her website, www.beautybrainsenterprises.com, offers information and T-shirts, designed by Henry, for sale.



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Margot Cheney Jacoby '70

Cholarships, such as the Martha Papworth O'Neill Memorial Scholarship, have helped in allowing me to pursue my goals at Cazenovia College. While working towards my degree in English, I have grown as a thinker and as an individual. I hope that one day I will be able to help students the way I have been helped."

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