

Looking Back ... Looking Ahead

As we recently turned the page on 2013, I thought I would provide a look back at some of the College milestones of the past 12 months.



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he year began with several instances of positive change and excitement. In addition to unveiling the new Enrollment Services Center, which provides our students with fully integrated financial aidregistration-student accounts services, the College launched a new website and showcased the campus to hundreds of prospective students and their families at the Admissions Open Houses.

Throughout the year, the College welcomed many engaging speakers and presenters to campus, including Wayne Pacelle of The Humane Society of the United States; Noel Paul Stookey, of Peter, Paul and Mary; and Broadway sensation Jennifer Holliday.

Our students were increasingly involved in the community, as they participated in the Chittenango Creek Clean-Up, joined the Cazenovia Preservation Foundation in planting shrubs and trees in the Village, raised funds for *More Than a Game Foundation*, presented "SCIENCE IS FUN!" demonstrations for children, and produced a profes-

sional caliber fashion show at Turning Stone Resort.

Cazenovia College received word in July of its reaccreditation by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, thereby successfully completing a more than two-year self-study/peer evaluation review. In August, I announced a \$1 million commitment from the Jephson Educational Trusts to name the South Campus property as "Jephson Campus."

We also expanded our academic offerings after receiving confirmation from the New York State Education Department that three new Inclusive Adolescence Education programs (Biology 7-12, English 7-12, and Social Studies 7-12) were approved (see page 7). Faculty members are now working to prepare curriculum for a similar Mathematics 7-12 program.

This fall, the College welcomed 392 new, academically talented students – the largest new student population Cazenovia College has enrolled since it transitioned to an all-baccalaureate full-time student population. In addition, for the tenth straight year, Cazenovia College is ranked among the top baccalaureate colleges in U.S. News & World Report's *America's Best Colleges* publication, and was once again named a *Top Ten Best Value* regional college(see page 7).

Throughout the year, Cazenovia College exerted itself in strengthening relationships with community colleges. In addition to forming partnerships with a number of community colleges in Upstate New York to allow associate degree completers to pursue a Cazeno-

via College degree on their community college campuses, the College established formal agreements with several community colleges that provide students with a clear path to pursue a bachelor's degree at Cazenovia College upon completion of a directed sequence of coursework at their respective community colleges.

The coming year presents many opportunities for Cazenovia. We look forward to providing our seniors with a memorable final semester before they commence in May. At the same time, we will continue to work diligently to recruit our next class of students. We also will continue on with our campaign, *Building Futures One at a Time: The Campaign for Cazenovia College*, striving to raise funds for scholarships, the Cazenovia Fund, and the two remaining capital projects: renovation and modernization of our science labs and improvements/upgrades to Jephson Campus.

Working on behalf of our alumni, students and parents, I assure you that the trustees, administration, faculty and staff will remain focused on a common goal to ensure that Cazenovia College succeeds today, tomorrow and well into the future.

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Learning While Leading

Melissa Frydlo '91 champions multi-million dollar building projects



elissa Frydlo '91 is a presence on the construction site, confident in her role as a communicator, a problem-solver and leader, while continuously striving to learn and grow as a professional and person.

A 1991 graduate of Cazenovia College, Frydlo is a successful project engineer at ARCADIS, an international company that provides consultancy, design, engineering and management services in the fields of infrastructure, water, environment and buildings.

Currently serving as the resident engineer on the Anne T. Dunphy Elementary School project in Williamsburg, Massachusetts, Frydlo is responsible for managing a \$9 million renovation project so that it is completed on time, within budget and meets the needs and expectations of the owner. According to Frydlo, her job is to oversee all aspects of a controlled construction process and deliver a superior building product.

"Our clients are blown away by the amount of coordination it takes to put together a building such as a school," shared Frydlo, who is charged with observing, writing, reporting and maintaining a high profile on site, which she feels decreases contractors from 'cutting corners' or installing unapproved equipment or material.

"This is my best project ever," added Frydlo, who admits she said the same "I am learning about myself all the time, trying to improve my relationships, my skill level and my abilities."

- Melissa Frydlo '91

thing when heading a recent \$48 million regional high school project in Wilbraham, Massachusetts. However, she was quick to return the conversation back to her current project in Williamsburg, pointing out that her favorite artist, Carolyn Webb, lives in Williamsburg. She added that the owner's project representative (Jim Locke) was a character in the book "House" by Tracy Kidder, a compelling true story of the construction of a home in Massachusetts. Frydlo shared, "I actually sat in a chair that Tracy Kidder sat in and thought it was a big deal at the time. Now, I am working on a project with one of his characters - a seasoned business owner with more hands-on building experience than you

Frydlo stresses that in order to successfully champion a building project that possesses multiple players, many levels of authority and varying priorities, one must be steadfast but also exhibit strong professional ethics, communication skills, patience and, above all, be willing to listen. She says she learned all these traits early on at Cazenovia College. "I often find myself thinking ... if I didn't go to Cazenovia, I would not have known that," said Frydlo. "I was introduced to building codes, building inspectors and certificates of occupancy while at Caz. Good design schools focus

can shake a stick at."

on theory, programming and practical design skills. Caz had, and still has, a good mix of that, which prepared me for my studies at UMass."

After earning her associate's degree in Interior/ Architectural Design from Cazenovia College, Frydlo enrolled at the University of Massachusetts where she continued her studies in Landscape Architecture and was a walk-on for the UMass women's softball team. "I had the unique opportunity to



be coached by the late Elaine Sortino, a number one nationally ranked coach for so many years," said Frydlo, who also became a charter member of the UMass Women's hockey team after her classmate one day said, "Frydlo...you're playing hockey."

Frydlo has come a long way since working in a two-person design firm, meeting with clients and measuring residences for renovations. She still feels like she is learning every day, growing in an intricate position and developing within the industry. "I am learning about myself all the time, trying to improve my relationships, my skill level and my abilities." She is equally proud of how far she has come at ARCADIS. "I went from project to project for the first 12 years before ARCADIS hired me as a full-time employee. Now, they find work for me and allow me to become involved in business development, expose me to technology, and provide me with opportunities for professional growth."

Frydlo remains connected to her alma mater. She was present at the grand

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Frydlo has played 30 years of organized bat and ball sports, including participating on five baseball teams this past year. Pictured here (Frydlo at lower right) is the ARCADIS baseball team that plays by 1886 rules – the year the company was founded.

opening of the Art & Design building (now Reisman Hall) back in 2004. She also is a regular attendee at alumni events held in New England and enjoys coming back to campus during Homecoming/ Family Weekend to play in the alumni games.

"Caz remains a special place to me and I will always associate my time there with what I learned, the sports I played, and the friendships I formed." Frydlo was captain of the softball team and a member of the women's soccer team. "I couldn't have asked for better friends:

Theresa Kucera Cheney '91 (who

joined Frydlo at UMass), Marie

Manipole Hackett '91, Michele O'Brochta Beckman '91, and Lisa Parkinson Thomas '91." She remembers getting to live in the suite in Hubbard Hall, thanks to Marie having the fourth pick in the dorm room lottery. "That was a celebratory time," laughed Frydlo.

She specifically recalls how Professor Joe Ritter and fellow student Michele O'Brochta impacted who she has become today. "Professor Ritter is very well known and respected, not to mention humorous," said Frydlo. "He prepared me well for the next steps of my education and career. As for Michele, I couldn't have asked for a better influence; she was the one who suggested that I major in Interior Design."



Frydlo encourages college students to seek out as many internships as possible and find a mentor. "Who you know is sometimes just as important as what you know," added Frydlo, who admits that she would never have slipped into the public construction industry on such a level if it weren't for a mentor who provided such a unique perspective.

When asked, what's next for Melissa Frydlo, she responded, "Never-ending dreams but not too many plans. I will continue to educate myself in an effort to learn more about the industry and find my niche as an aspiring entrepreneur." She looks forward to writing about professional ethics and project management, serving on the Architectural Selection Committee in Boston someday, and volunteering for the mayor's Central Business Architectural Committee in Northampton where she lives.

Yet, amidst all her goals and accomplishments, Frydlo intends to have a bigger impact on society. "I want to have a lasting impact beyond any one project or person; I want to learn from past generations so I can improve the lives of future generations."

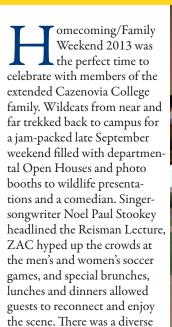


Homecoming/Family Weekend 2013 Re-cap

Jephson Campus naming highlights the weekend







activities and events for all generations to enjoy, and the weekend was capped off by the Annual Blue & Gold Dinner and Hall of Fame induction ceremony.

abundance of additional

The highlight of the weekend was the official naming of the Jephson Campus, which allowed dozens of Cazenovia













alumni, students, staff, parents, friends and community members to honor the Jephson Educational Trusts for their \$1 million gift to the *Building Futures One at a Time* campaign. The gift represents the largest pledge ever made by the Jephson trustees and the largest commitment so far to the College's

ongoing comprehensive campaign. The generous commitment by the Jephson trustees, who administer endowed funds established by the late Lucretia Davis Jephson, will contribute significantly to the refurbishment of the studio arts and fashion design facilities on the site previously known as South Campus.

Preparing Tomorrow's Educators



Secondary education offerings will allow students to prepare for careers as Biology, English and Social Studies teachers

Cazenovia College recently received confirmation from the New York State Education Department that three new programs were approved and are now part of the institution's academic offerings.

Inclusive Adolescence Education: Biology 7-12
Inclusive Adolescence Education: English 7-12

• Inclusive Adolescence Education: Social Studies 7-12

Students who complete the programs will receive a dual major in Inclusive Adolescence Education and one of three subject areas (Biology, English or Social Science) and become eligible for initial New York State teacher certification in Teaching Students with Disabilities (grades 7-12) as well as teacher certification in a content area (Biology, English or Social Studies, grades 7-12).

According to Cazenovia College Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty **Sharon Dettmer**, Ph.D., "Cazenovia is excited to add to its already existing education programs in Inclusive Early Childhood and Inclusive Elementary Education." Dettmer also emphasized the unique aspect of the dual major and the program's link to teaching students with disabilities. "Students who are majoring in Biology, English or Social Science now have the opportunity to use their dual degrees to teach at the middle school and high school levels."

Cazenovia College Recognized by U.S. News for 10th Consecutive Year

For ten years running, Cazenovia College has ranked among the top baccalaureate colleges in U.S. News & World Report's "Best Colleges" publication. According to the 2014 edition of Best Colleges, Cazenovia College is 23rd among the top tier regional colleges in the North—an area consisting of Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, New York and the New England states.

This unique annual survey of colleges and universities in the United States is based on a number of factors, including average graduation and freshman retention rates, class sizes, student/faculty ratio, alumni giving, and peer institution assessment.

In addition to being highly ranked by U.S. News & World Report,
Cazenovia College is once again listed in the publication's Top Ten
Best Value regional colleges in the
North, specifically recognized for offering its students the best value.
According to U.S. News & World
Report, "the calculation used takes into account a school's academic quality, its U.S. News Best Colleges ranking, and the 2012-2013 net cost of attendance. The higher the quality of the program and the lower the cost, the better the deal."

"At Cazenovia College, students find the best of everything an undergraduate college has to offer," says *President Mark Tierno*. "This continued recognition – academically in our U.S. News ranking and financially as a 'Best Value' college –sends the message to students and their families that they can rest assured they have made a sound decision when choosing to enroll at Cazenovia College."

New Faces on Campus and in the Classroom

Six professors join the faculty at Cazenovia College













David Eye

Donna Greene

Joy Fashu Kanu

Jessica Powell

Ann Sheedy

Sarah Stonefoot

he Cazenovia College family welcomed several talented faculty members to campus this past fall, creating an even stronger teaching and learning environment for our students.

David Eye joined the faculty in August as a visiting instructor of English. Eye previously taught freshman composition while earning a Master of Fine Arts degree in Creative Writing from Syracuse University. He has since served as an adjunct professor in the Institute for Writing Studies at St. John's University and visiting assistant professor of creative writing at Manhattan College. David's poems have appeared or are forthcoming in Bloom, Cider Press Review, The Louisville Review, Lambda Literary, Puerto del Sol, Stone Canoe, Consequence Magazine, among other journals and anthologies.

Donna Greene brings her progressive design skills to the classroom as Cazenovia College's visiting instructor of visual communications. The creative director of Greene Graphics, she produces highly effective visual graphic designs and creative artwork for marketing and advertising materials. Greene previously served as art director for Eric Mower and Associates, and Warne McKenna Advertising, and

associate art director for Conklin, Labs & Beebe. She earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Advertising Design from Syracuse University.

Joy Fashu Kanu, visiting instructor of social science, was born and raised in Zimbabwe and moved to the United States in 1997. While she earned an MBA from Syracuse University in 2004, she decided to follow her passion, which lies in studying how capitalism and racism have impacted the way "third-world women" experience health and illness. Kanu uses transnational feminist frameworks and institutional ethnography to focus on how HIV/AIDS funding institutions have responded to HIV/AIDS and how they implement prevention programs targeted at women of color.

Jessica Powell, our new assistant professor of Early Childhood Education, was an instructor of elementary and early childhood education at the University of North Carolina (UNC) at Chapel Hill. She also served as the Site Coordinator for the Children's Defense Fund Freedom School at Duke University, a nonprofit program that serves children and families from low income communities. Professor Powell received her Ph.D. from UNC at Chapel Hill where her research

and teaching focused on the intersection of families, schools and culture.

Ann Sheedy, assistant professor of Human Services, brings more than 20 years of nonprofit practice and experience in working with youth and families. Her interests include evidence-based practice with delinquent adolescents and their families as well as with families in the child welfare system. Her research focus is on behavioral and emotional outcomes of different types of parent aggression on adolescents. Prior to coming to Cazenovia, Dr. Sheedy was an adjunct faculty in the Syracuse University School of Social Work. She received her Ph.D. in Child and Family Studies from Syracuse University.

Sarah Stonefoot, Cazenovia's new assistant professor and director of the Photography program, previously taught as a visiting assistant professor in Photography & New Media at Beloit College, Wisconsin from 2008 to 2013. She received a BFA from the University of Buffalo and an MFA from Illinois State University. Her work has been shown nationally in both group and solo shows at galleries including the Catherine Edelman Gallery, Wakeley Galleries, Silver Eye Center for Photography and the Black Box Gallery.

Head Coach Bill Houser **Completes Second Ironman**

Sights are set on a third race in June 2014

When he's not coordinating the daily operations of Cazenovia College's Fitness Center, mentoring swimmers on how to successfully streamline, or teaching the dynamics of long distance running to student-athletes, Swimming & Diving and Cross Country Head Coach Bill Houser trains. He doesn't train for just any type of athletic competition though. He trains...for the Ironman.

Houser, who serves as the College's director of Fitness & Wellness, proudly added Ironman to his name in 2008 when he first completed the highly respected, endurance-laden triathlon in Lake Placid, New York. His background in swimming, coupled with his knowledge of running and skills on a bike aided him in this three-sport event.

"The reason I compete is because I have always been taught to push the limits and never give up on your dreams." Houser took to the water while in elementary school and quickly progressed through Red Cross swimming group levels. Although his high school didn't have a swim team—a team he passionately campaigned to establish, but to no availHouser continued to hold a fervent interest in the sport and eventually landed on the Le Moyne College swim team and served two years as captain.

"Swimming and athletics have shown me that nothing is impossible if you put your mind to it, to never give up, never stop believing and never doubt yourself because you always have a shot," says Houser. "I try to instill this same focus, determination and positive attitude within the athletes I coach. I never allow anyone to believe they can't achieve their goals or reach their aspirations."

In addition to participating in several local races, including the Mountain Goat and Cazenovia Triathlon, among others over the years, Houser traveled back to Lake Placid to finish his second Ironman in July 2013. He swam 2.4 miles, biked 112 miles and ran 26.2 miles to finish in 11:29, placing him 407 out of approximately 2,600 participants.

As Houser now sets his sights on the Syracuse Ironman in June 2014, one thing is certain. The entire Cazenovia College community's support will be



Putney and Hess Honored for Years of Service



(L-R) Betty (Priest) Putney '53, President Mark Tierno, Mary Hess

Cazenovia College employees gathered August 21 for the annual Employee Luncheon in the Dining Hall. New employees were introduced, department successes were shared and several individuals were honored for their years of service to the College.

Betty (Priest) Putney '53, executive assistant to the vice president of business and finance, and Mary Hess, mailroom manager, celebrated noteworthy milestones. Putney has been with the College for a remarkable 50 years and Hess has served our campus community for 45 years.

Experiential Learning: An Essential Component in Human Services Education

by Mary Handley, Ph.D.

fter teaching in higher education for more than 20 years, I have seen the difference that experiential learning such as internships, service learning and professional development can make in students. The combination of classroom theory and spending time in the community, "walking the walk," enables students

to develop self awareness and critical thinking skills that they sometimes have difficulty achieving in the classroom. Since Human Services students will be working with people, it is critical to have the students as prepared as possible especially to understand their own selves in the "helping profession." In the Human Services Program, we have developed a progression of experiential learning that provides students with opportunities to apply their skills and build on those skills each semester. Upon graduation, they have a portfolio of "human interaction," in addition to an academic transcript.

Internships provide one of the most striking examples of experiential learn-

ing. Students are required to take internships in their sophomore and junior years, with a third optional internship in their senior year. The internships are progressively more demanding and require students to use higher level skills to prepare themselves for practice and/or graduate school. Students begin their professional journey early in the Human Services Program in order to have the time to understand who they are and where they fit in our diverse communities.

"Students begin their professional journey early in the Human Services Program in order to ... understand who they are and where they fit in."

- Mary Hanley, Ph.D.

The examples of student change and growth are numerous, but I will highlight several students who have had life altering experiences based on their internships. The first example is Caitlin, who was convinced that she wanted to be a school counselor and planned her entire educational experience around that goal. Her first internship as a sophomore was at a day treatment program for children and adolescents with psychiatric disorders. She was so alarmed and so affected by the lack of child psychiatrists and the limited treatment available for children that she completely changed her career path. She became very passionate about child psychiatry and the difference it could make early on in a child's life. She is now in her first year of medical school to become a child psychiatrist and achieve that dream of making a difference.

Megan arrived at Cazenovia College with the goal of being a school social worker and working with children everyday. After her first internship with a school social worker, she began to realize that the structure of a school setting did not challenge her and that her strengths were in crisis intervention and emergen-

> cy care. As a result, she did a second internship in a homeless shelter for teens and loved it! "I am so thankful that I did two internships; those experiences helped me understand what I wanted to do as a career." Now in graduate school, her ambition is to become a program director of a homeless shelter for children and families.

In addition to internships, experiential learning in human services also includes











course work and service learning. There are several courses that provide students the opportunity to work with adults with cognitive disabilities. Other courses require students to do "practice counseling," which is video recorded and critiqued. The Introduction to Counseling course allows students to experience the role of a counselor and to begin to develop crucial self awareness as well as foundational counseling skills. It has revealing results for both the student and the faculty. One student, in particular, took the course twice. After the second time, the student began to realize that her strengths lay in other areas of human services and that she was not ready to pursue graduate school for counseling. Without this experiential learning component of the course, she would have gone on to graduate school without truly understanding her own abilities. "I did well on the exams and on the assignments, but when it came to actually counseling, I just did not have the capacity to do it." She re-evaluated her goals and decided to stay in Human Services with a focus on grant writing and fundraising.

The inclusion classes have significant potential for students to learn about specific disabilities, but also develop personal awareness about interests and passions. Danielle was not sure what she wanted to do or where she fit when she arrived as a first year student at Cazenovia College. She enrolled in the Therapeutic Recreation class and it opened her eves to a career that she had never even considered. This class is an inclusion class with adults with cognitive disabilities from the community. Each week, the students do therapeutic activities together, side-by-side, learning from each other. Danielle discovered

through this inclusion class that she had the abilities and the passion to work with people with disabilities. She went on to do an internship in therapeutic recreation and did so well that the agency hired her. Now, 10 years later, she is still with that agency in a very successful supervisory role.

The opportunities for experiential learning also include professional development such as conferences, trainings and seminars. As a component of the Human Services Program, students attend conferences each semester or annually, networking with professionals in the community and learning about the current best practices in their field. This constant exposure to new ideas, new practices and new passions is another way to engage students in their education and the Human Services field. At a recent conference, a student attended a seminar regarding the needs of children in the area of death and dying. She never thought about this as a career option but, as a result of the conference, she is now specializing in children's bereavement.

For Human Services students, learning how to interact with other humans and understanding themselves in the process need to be priorities for their professional growth and development. Experiential learning is a key ingredient for that growth. A recent graduate of the program commented about working in the field – "This is not something that I can learn from a book or a lecture or a video. I really had to experience it."

Classroom learning and "walking the walk" really does make the difference.

About the Author



Mary Handley is a full professor and program director of Cazenovia College's Human Services programs. A professor at Caz since 1999, Dr. Handley teaches courses in mental health counseling, and disability and rehabilitation services.

She also serves as advisor to the Human Services Club.

Prior to joining Cazenovia, Dr. Handley served as an assistant professor of the Occupational Therapy Program at Utica College, responsible for teaching courses in theory, cognition, research and rehabilitation.

Dr. Handley is a long-time proponent of initiatives to include people with disabilities in everyday community activities. Her *Therapeutic Recreation* class at Cazenovia College teams students majoring in Human Services with students with disabilities to plan and carry out recreational activities.

For the past 20 years, as part of her private practice, Dr. Handley has provided rehabilitation counseling services to people with traumatic brain injuries and their families including vocational, personal and substance abuse counseling and service coordination.

In 2004, she was recognized by the New York State Developmental Disabilities Planning Council for her contributions in promoting public awareness and community involvement of people with developmental disabilities.

Dr. Handley earned a bachelor's degree in Human Services from the State University of New York at Utica/Rome, and her Master of Arts and Doctoral degrees in Rehabilitation Counseling from Syracuse University.



Developing a Positive Campus Culture

'Roundtables' and 'Community Dialogue Circles' allow SGA to better engage with student body



he 2013-14 academic year started out with a "bang" for the Student Government Association (SGA). On the heels of some organizational changes that took place on campus over the summer, SGA decided to follow a similar path, seeking to develop a positive campus culture,

strengthen the way it governs and, more importantly, how it appeals to the entire student body.

According to SGA President Steven Ochoa, "In the past, the SGA would meet weekly with students and make decisions without fully engaging in a collaborative discussion or process." This year SGA, in an attempt to try new ways to accommodate student needs, changed the meeting dates to every other Sunday – at a time in the evening when more students are able to attend. It also incorporated the existing presidents' Roundtable Meetings ('Roundtables') into the SGA meetings each month, at which the more than 60 club presidents on campus convene and share club news and information.

"By combining SGA meetings with the Roundtables,

more students are participating in the SGA process and offering feedback," said SGA Vice President **Benjamin Wood**. "Not only are students better informed about many aspects of student and campus life, but they feel like they are a bigger part of the decision-making process on campus."

Another notable accomplishment of the fall semester was SGA's creation of what they have dubbed

Community Dialogue Circles. Seeking to find an effective way in which students who are not a part of SGA could voice their opinions in an open and respectful way, the SGA rolled out the Community Dialogue Circles where students are invited to come together and talk about matters of interest in an environment where they are respected, treated equally, and can speak freely without interruption. The circles are based on mutual concern, respect and shared responsibility, but are also grounded in the expectation that all those participating will listen to the perspective of others.

Ochoa and Wood stress that the *Community Dialogue Circles* have created ideal opportunities for conversation, while at the same time have promoted a positive campus culture and community, where students are holding themselves personally accountable and appreciating the different points of view held by their peers. "By promoting consensus-based decision-making, we are hopeful that our fellow students on campus will achieve a greater understanding of the decision-making process; build consensus; develop agreements; and assist with planning the future of Cazenovia College," added Ochoa.

Katie O'Brien, dean for Student Life, who also serves as an advisor to the SGA, had high praise for the students and the work of the SGA. "The SGA Community Dialogue Circles are a critical component in developing a positive campus culture. Through collaborative Student Life programming and the SGA Circles, students will recognize how their actions affect others, learn to respectfully engage in community problem-solving and share responsibility for the well-being of their community."

Special thanks to article contributors **Steven Ochoa**, social science major from Brooklyn, NY, and **Benjamin Wood**, criminal justice and homeland security studies major from Potsdam, NY.



My Caz Experience: Sarah Powell

Sarah Powell, of Norwich, New York, grew up with a zeal for art. The tools, the palettes, the history – she loved every colorful bit of it. It's her hobby, a form of expression and a creative outlet. Her pastime helped carve a path toward her future career, but the trail wasn't clear until she arrived at Cazenovia College.



While researching colleges, Powell knew she wanted to major in studio art because of its ever-changing tone, but she longed to determine an exact job that would be waiting for her in four short years. So, she put her faith in Cazenovia after falling for its family-like community, appealing size and engaging faculty.

Powell spent her freshman year intrigued by Cazenovia's wide selection of media ranging from metals, glass, clay and beyond to video, audio, photography and more. She was continually impressed that professors served as working professional artists in addition to teaching classes. She was inspired. Could she possibly mirror this profession and express her creative side while teaching others at the same time? Absolutely! She found her answer

right in the middle of her First Year Seminar class, *Kiln Formed Glass*.

There she was - learning the art of glass torchworking, when a new interest sparked. She was shown how to make glass beads and was quickly interested in the craft. Powell's skill at the torch was so exceptional that Professor Kim Waale, art professor and studio art program director, asked her to serve as a master student. "Professor Waale gave me the greatest opportunity I could have ever asked for – to assist my peers one-on-one," says

Powell. "She encouraged me to teach a torchworking demonstration each semester and I've gained such amazing college-level teaching experience."

Powell's coursework eventually called for classes in Jewelry: *Small Metals and Sculpture*. She was taught how to design jewelry with her handmade glass beads and soon realized she had a plan on the horizon. She decided to fuse her new found love of teaching with her recent passion for jewelry making and she set her sights on grad school. Cazenovia helped her realize her calling to become a professor.

Jewelry making is now a way of life for Powell. She's pleased with the connections she has made while at Caz, most notably with **Rachel Herman '13**. Herman's mother, Jenifer, owns Red Door Artisans – an art consignment shop that focuses on selling work from local artists. Powell's one-of-a-kind pieces are on

sale at the store and she was featured in a Bridge Street (WSYR-TV9) segment alongside Jenifer in July 2013.

While Powell's plate is full, her thoughts on the College are as clear as the glass she designs. "Caz

has opened so many doors for me since I first stepped foot on campus," notes

Powell. "Through specialized classes, solid internships, alumni networking and more, the College has truly built my future one exciting opportunity at a time."

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My Caz Experience stories, visit

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"The College has truly built my future one exciting opportunity at a time."

- Sarah Powell



All Roads Lead to Cazenovia

Kaleb Wilson '07 aspires to be the 'ultimate alumnus'



here are few alumni who can say they have attended every Reunion since graduation, unless you have met **Kaleb Wilson '07**. A 2007 graduate, who earned his bachelor's degree in social science, Wilson attended his first alumni weekend just two weeks after graduation. "I love Caz; to me it is important to stay connected. My goal is to be the oldest alumnus at Reunion some day and the only alum who has attended every Reunion since graduation."

Reminiscing about his active days at Caz, Wilson spent time guiding campus tours and other activities. A favorite memory is his participation in Student Government Association (SGA). "Student Government changed my life. **Katie O'Brien** was wonderful and her dedication to the students really made a difference," explained Wilson, who attended an SGA conference in St. Louis, and the Certified Student

Leader Conference at Walt Disney World.

Not only did he excel as a stu-

dent, but Wilson met his future wife, **Amanda Szymanski '10**, during his time at Caz. On June 23, 2012, the couple tied the knot on the College's Quad, a beloved spot on campus. "We love Caz so much that we chose to live in the town (Fenner) nearby," he said.

Since graduating, Wilson has remained active with the College. He has served as secretary of the Alumni Board of Directors for more than six years. He is also the chair of the College's Annual Alumni Golf Tournament, where he works with the College alumni director and fellow alumni on planning the event. "The money raised is then directed to the greatest student and campus needs," added Wilson.

In addition to returning to campus for Reunions, Wilson has attended every Young Alumni event from bowling nights to trips to Critz Farms in Cazenovia. "I love seeing classmates, but also meeting older alumni with whom I have formed lasting connections," he said.

Kaleb is currently employed as a senior member relationship advisor at AmeriCU Credit Union in Cazenovia, where he handles member loans and new accounts. "Caz prepared me for my job, especially Associate Professor **Maureen Louis**, who taught students the meaning and importance of empathy. Due to my constant interaction with members, I have to be able to understand their situations," he said.

Not only is Caz reaping the benefits that Wilson brings from the professional world, but Wilson enriches the alumni base every day with his participation in and support of the College. His limitless energy and commitment are truly appreciated by all those who come in contact with him.

SPOT CAZ! Alex lannicello '12, wore a Cazenovia t-shirt for good luck during his first plane ride and sky dive with Skydive CNY in June 2013. Going on vacation? Heading to a sporting event? Running in a race?

In whatever interesting location you find yourself, show us your CAZ PRIDE! Wear your alma mater's colors...or even pose with an issue of the magazine...and we'll proudly include you in this hub for school spirit.

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Caz spirit was shining bright in Virginia in September 2013 for Jessica Bouton Sansevera '08, Emily Keenan '08, and Kari-Ann Smith '08.

Ashlea Osborn '12, director of the Cazenovia Fund, brought some great reading material to the ballpark!



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Joyce Gleason MacCloy '48 reports that she recently celebrated her 62nd wedding anniversary with friends and family and is enjoying living in North Carolina near Chapel Hill. She regrets not being able to attend the Reunion last year as her twin granddaughters were graduating from High School that weekend. One of them was the valedictorian.

1949 65th Year

Sally Rollins Meinweiser '49 writes, "Greetings all! Our 65th Reunion is upon us in June. I, for one, could not have imagined being anywhere else back in 1949. I always felt our class was very special – so many long lasting friendships. Two of my happiest years were spent at Caz. Now it's time to return, celebrate, catch up and reminisce. The campus is much changed, but hasn't lost the warm friendliness we so fondly remember. I am committed to

Making a Difference

For Michael Robilotto '99, it's all about serving his students



ichael Robilotto '99 revels in the fact that he comes to work every day knowing he can make a difference in someone's life. The current director of Residence Life at Castleton State College, Robilotto oversees four professional staff members, 40 student staff members, 11 residence halls and about 1,100 students. His presence on the New England campus is highly visible as he works on creating a safe, comfortable and sociable living environment for his students.

After graduating from Cazenovia College in 1999 with a bachelor's degree in Business Management, Robilotto accepted a job at his alma mater working as the student activities assistant and year-book advisor, and later as the director of student activities. These roles prepared Robilotto well for his next career move and, as he called it, "a leap into the world of residence life" as he left Caz to be-

come residence hall director at Morrisville State College.

Two years later, Robilotto took a break from the world of residence life when he moved to Florida to join **AmeriCorps** and participate in a program called Athletes in Service to America. The program, hosted at Eckerd College in

St. Petersburg, Florida, involved former college athletes tutoring, mentoring and coaching low income populations. Robilotto wanted to keep "giving back" so he signed on with AmeriCorps for another year and began working for Habitat for Humanity of Collier County, building houses in Immokalee and Naples, Florida.

It wasn't long though before Robilotto ventured back into residence life. Eckerd College, which hosted the aforementioned Athletes in Service program, hired Robilotto to be their assistant director of Residence Life. The same young man, who previously learned in an intern-

"Through my internship at Caz, I truly discovered that I wanted to work in a field that would allow me to manage and, most importantly, engage with people"

not want a career sitting behind a desk or working in a cubicle, was now charting his own career path. He soon became Eckerd College's director of Residence Life and, for the past four and one-half years, has served as director of Residence Life at Castleton State College. "Through my internship at Caz, I truly discovered that I wanted to work in a field that would allow me to manage and, most importantly, engage with people," said Robilotto.

ship that he did

In addition to his residence life responsibilities, Robilotto has been involved in the planning of a new residence hall project that was completed in 2012, serves as a conduct officer, and adjudicates student cases on campus. "Being employed at a college has helped keep my mind young and involved with students," he added.

He credits Cazenovia College for preparing him well. "Caz made me a better person," shared Robilotto. "They encouraged this shy, 17 year-old boy to make mistakes, learn from them, meet people, travel to amazing places, and give back by serving those in need."

A former member of the Cazenovia College baseball team, Robilotto recently returned home to Caz to join his teammates in honoring former coach and 2013 Hall of Fame inductee **Pete Liddell.** "It felt just like old times," he said, quickly pointing out the "brother-

hood" that exists amongst members of the baseball program at Cazenovia.

Robilotto also had the opportunity to personally thank Margery Pinet, who hired him back in 1999. "Marge gave me a chance but more importantly she helped me understand how to work and plan for the future. I will be forever grateful to her and Cazenovia College for helping me to become the successful person I am today."

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going back in June as are **Jayne Yates**'49 and **Nancy Howard Howland**'49. I hope all of you will join us – it could be one of our last hurrahs!"

1954 60th Year

Barbara Faranda Schwartz '54 writes, "Almost 60 years have passed since a group of wide eyed girls arrived at Cazenovia and, in time, they grew to become a family. That is what made our Class of 1954 so special. We're not quite so wide eyed and our step may not be as brisk or bouncy as before, however in spirit we are united and still vibrant. So, please try to return for our 60th honored year Reunion June 13-15. More details to follow. I wish you all a Happy and Healthy New Year!"

1959 55th Year



Mary Burton Thompson '59, Judith Bond Clarke '59 and Sandra Witz Hirsh '59

Judith Bond
Clarke '59 and Mary Burton
Thompson '59 write, "Attention Class of 1959! Save the date for Reunion 2014, June 13-15! Start making plans to return to return to campus to celebrate our 55th honored year Reunion. Be looking for a letter from us with additional details about our special weekend. We hope to see you there!"

Sandra Witz Hirsh '59 writes,"I had a short visit (from Florida) and beautiful lunch with my college friends, Mary Burton Thompson '59 and Judith Bond Clarke '59, in September at



Helen Perry Amidon '47 and Sharon Bush Molthen '59

Judy's home in Cazenovia. We had lots of laughs while sharing our good times together. Sorry I couldn't have stayed longer!"

Sharon Bush Molthen '59 writes, "I'm excited to share that I met a Caz graduate on a trip to Russia! Helen Perry Amidon '47 and daughter, Pat Onken, were seated across the aisle from me on our flight to Moscow. Talk about a small world! The three of us had a wonderful trip together exploring the country, sharing meals and telling stories about our time at Cazenovia. Other news is that my roommate from both years at Caz, Irene Bezas Usher '59, came and stayed with me for a few days to help me celebrate my birthday."

1963

Roomies from Cazenovia class of 1963, **Louise Ryan Luther** and **Diane Cacciola Shelto** visited together at Diane's home in Rennselear, NY.



Louise Ryan Luther '63 and Diane Cacciola Shelto '63

1964 50th Year

Marcia Hoffman
Machemer '64 writes, "Hope to see many of you at our 50th Reunion, June 13-15, 2014!
Start planning now!"

Marra Casserino Giuliano
'64 writes, "Hope the flooding
and devastation in Aurora, CO,
did not impact our classmate, Beth. Hi to
my roomie Mary, Paula, Nancy, Sue,
Joan and all the girls in Centennial and
Hubbard. Hard to believe we are fast approaching 50 years since graduation! May
this issue find you all happy and healthy."

1965

Barrie Foote Newman '65 writes, "Let us start saving for our 50th class Reunion in June 2015. I will start to contact each and every one of you to collect dorm info and to ask you to help me make this Reunion the biggest one ever! Let me know which dorm(s) you were in during your two years at Caz and you will be surprised what is in store for our Reunion."

1944

Sandra Botti Bethlenfalvy '66 writes, "My two years at Caz were among the most memorable of my life! I have

recently retired from new home construction sales. My husband and I have been married 45 years, and we have two children and two grandchildren; Brody (5) and Zachary (2). Barbara Ann Miller '66 from Boston and Cathy Garnet '66 from Philadelphia, where are you? I would love to hear from classmates."

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Azam Niroomand-Rad

'68 was invited to go to Poland in November 2013 to celebrate Marie Curie's birthday (November 4, 1867) on the occasion of the International Organization for Medical Physics' inaugural International Day of Medical Physics. Azam's speech was titled, "Marie Sklodowska-Curie (1867-1034)



Ashlea Osborne '12 Named Director of Cazenovia Fund



Cazenovia College has named alumna Ashlea Osborne '12 director of the Cazenovia Fund. Prior to serving in this new role, Osborne was the assistant director of the Cazenovia Fund and coordi-

nator of the Young Alumni Program.

"Ashlea proved to be a strong advocate for her alma mater by effectively planning and executing outreach and fundraising programs and projects, and establishing positive relationships with students, parents, alumni, employees and friends of the College," said Joan Brooks, director of development. Osborne's desire to seek new opportunities to grow annual support for the College aided in her candidacy for the new position.

"I have an inevitable passion and commitment to an institution that I believe in – one that has timelessly believed in me," says Osborne. "The best part of working for my alma mater is that I'm able to pay it forward for all that the College provided for me as a student."

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Tee Time

 T he 12th Annual Cazenovia College Golf Open welcomed 19 teams of golfers – including alumni, current parents, faculty, trustees, friends of the college and staff - on Aug. 12, 2013, at the Cazenovia Country Club. Golfers teed off on a beautiful summer day for 18 holes of golf to raise more than \$16,000 to benefit Cazenovia College students and campus initiatives.

THE DATE!! The 2014 Cazenovia College Open will be held on Monday, August 11th.

The Cazenovia College Alumni Association wishes to thank everyone who helped to make this annual event a great success.

Winners of the 12th Annual Cazenovia College Golf Open

Men's Flight Winners (L-R) Matt Karoglanian '88, Jim Matteo, Mike **Matteo and Don** Dugan





Mixed Flight Winners (L-R) Richard Haskins, Pat Mautino, Vicky Ryan and Sam Iorio

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A Scientist Ahead of Her Time Historical Overview, Tribute and her Contributions to: Physics, Medicine and Cancer Treatment."

1969 45th Year

Laurie Clute '69 and Sally Lyon Wassell '69 write, "Reunion 2014: June 13-15. It's incredible that we're approaching our 45th Caz Reunion in less than six months! A group of us from the Park East family have yearly Reunions. We decided it's so much fun being together, that we meet each year. After losing Linda Polchlopek Richardson '69, and before we lost Laura Gerry '69, we started meeting each year at locations ranging from a house on Caz Lake, to a house in Massachusetts, to a log cabin in the Adirondacks. Who would have guessed that we would remain such a bonded family? Every time we go back to Cazenovia for a Reunion, we see the beauty of the campus and amazing expansions and improvements. We're proud all over again. This upcoming Reunion provides a chance to see old friends and be in beautiful Upstate New York. It's also a chance to see how your contributions are put to use. When you make your annual contribution, it has the power to take some of the financial pressure off the student who receives the scholarship. We hope to see you in June. Contact friends and get them to attend! Join us on campus this June in a celebration of life! See you there!"

1970

Catherine Erb Boothby '70 writes,

"My husband and I are living in London. If any other Caz alums are living near or visiting the area, I would love to get together. We are having a wonderful experience and really enjoy our home in Chelsea. We will be back in Boston next spring."

Nancy Beetz Cave '70 flew up from Florida to spend a long weekend with Eileen Hanigan Pizza '70 in Dover, PA, in October 2013. Nancy writes, "37 years later, we are great friends and had a wonderful time talking of fond memories of Caz. Eileen is a senior applications developer for the state of Pennsylvania,

and I am a retired insurance agent for Wells Fargo."

1974

40th Year

Jane "Kit" Wright Spohn '74

writes, "Dear Class of 1974 - I am happy to be your class agent and hope you will all think about coming to our 40th honored year Reunion in June 13-15. What fun it would

be to reminisce about our years at Caz! My husband, George, and I live in Virginia Beach. Our son was married a year ago and our daughter was married this past November. It has been a very busy couple of years. Now I am looking forward to visiting Caz next June. Hope to see many of you there."



Terry Neff Thurley '77 is a proud mom of an instructional teacher at Gaston College, NC. She is currently in a career transition, but enjoys networking and keeping busy with volunteer work. She serves as vice president of the Rochester Chapter of the Cazenovia College Alumni Association, vice president of membership on the Board for International Institute for Business Analysts, and chair of the Women in Career Transition special interest group for the Rochester Women's Network. Terry is also an active volunteer for the American Heart Association.

1979 35th Year

Class of 1979 – Save the Date! Your 35th honored year Reunion is June 13-15. If you're interested in serving as your Class Agent, please contact Shari Whitaker, director of alumni relations, at 315.655.7332 or sswhitaker@cazenovia.edu for more information.



Eileen Hanigan Pizza '70 and Nancy Beetz Cave '70

1991

Denise Hoinski Flint '81 writes, "My grandson, Theo Thomas William White, was born August 3, 2013, to our daughter Holly and her husband, Tim. Theo joins older brother Levi, 2 1/2, in Lancaster, PA. Ann Shaw Pacino '81 and I met for lunch last January in Newton, MA. I'm looking for a new job and celebrated 30 years of wedded bliss to Michael Flint

in December. Love to all my Caz friends!"

Francine Lichtenstein Fried '81

moved to Sloatsburg, NY, on the border of New Jersey next to Harriman State Park. She writes, "Any alumni who want to get together, please email me at benicnarf@gmail.com."

984 30th Year

Laura Crolick Kibby '84 writes, "Class of 1984 – Please mark June 13-15 on your calendars and plan to return to campus for a great weekend of reconnecting and reminiscing! That's right – this is a reminder to all that our 30th honored year Reunion is less than six months away! Can you believe it? As a parent of a Cazenovia student (Class of 2017) it has been exciting to see the growth of our alma mater. I'll be there from Texas. Looking forward to seeing all of you!"

1987

Jonathan Arrindell '87 and wife, Suzette, recently renewed their vows.



Suzette and Jonathan Arrindell '87

Campaign Update

As of November 2013, over \$7 million in gifts and pledges has been raised for the ongoing fundraising effort, Building Futures One at a Time: The Campaign for Cazenovia College. So far, we have exceeded goals set for two of the campaign priorities, which are Christakos Field and endowment for scholarships. Four areas remain that need your support, including the Jephson Campus (formerly South Campus) and Science Labs capital projects, endowment support for academic excellence, and The Cazenovia Fund.

Please call the Division of Institutional Advancement at 315.655.7369, or visit www.cazenovia.edu/campaign for more information. Thank you!





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Wright Farrell '88

Beth Cutler '88 writes, "After I graduated from Cazenovia, I moved on to SUNY Potsdam where I obtained my bachelor's degree in Studio Art. At the same time, I cross-registered to St. Lawrence where I also obtained my Education certification. I just wanted to let you know that Caz will always be my home away from home."

Crystal Wright Farrell '88 writes, "Looking forward to seeing my Class of '88 family at the 2014 Reunion Weekend, June 13-15. Start planning now my friends. For those of you who haven't heard, my son, Hunter Farrell, is now a Cazenovia College student, and he is enjoying the experience very much."

25th Year

Raquel Aponte '89 and Brian Gallagher '89 write," Class of 1989 -SAVETHE DATE! Our 25th honored year Reunion is June 13-15. Return to campus for an awesome weekend - it's the perfect chance to catch up with

friends and relive your Caz days. Lodging is available right on campus, and in addition to the annual events held during Reunion weekend, there are a few special things being planned like a golf outing and special reception in honor of our 25th Reunion. Mark your calendar, and start making plans to return to campus for the best Reunion weekend yet! We look forward to seeing you in June."

20th Year

Dacia Banks '94 writes, "Class of 1994 - our 20th honored year Reunion is the weekend of June 13-15. Save the date and start making plans to return to campus for a great weekend. I look forward to seeing you!"

Shannon Riehlman Coffin '97 writes, "After 19 years Tom Coffin '95 and I finally tied the knot. We celebrated in Myrtle Beach with family and friends. Our son, Brady, was the ring bearer and Patti Eick Hutzel '96 was matron of honor."

In fond **M**emory

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

Dorothy Rathbun Danks '37 Margaret Wiltse Rappolo '38 Joyce Byrne Maloney '46 Julia Fox Hullar '47 Elizabeth "Bette" Brown Carpenter '48 Virginia Tully '48 Marilyn June McDowell '49 Janice West Fiske '50 Lorraine Winkler '54 Catherine Riker Thompson '55 Barbara Van Dusen Dowd '65 Nancy Rihm Evans '70 Joanne McGowan Vullo '83 Tracey Martin '00 Dr. Carolyn Ware

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

Farewell to our Friend

Bette Carpenter '48

A member of the Cazenovia College family, Elizabeth "Bette" Brown Carpenter '48, passed away in November. Bette was a devoted alumna of Cazenovia College, serving 18 years on the Alumni Board of Directors and acting as Class Agent for 1948. In recognition of her service to the College, Bette was honored with the distinction of trustee emerita for the Alumni Board of Directors in September 2013. She was also active in the Cazenovia community as a member of the First Presbyterian Church and volunteer for

CazCares and the local Literacy Council. Bette will be remembered at Cazenovia College for her loyalty to her alma mater, volunteer leadership, keen sense of humor and beautiful smile.



Tom Coffin '95 and Shannon Riehlman Coffin '97

1999 I 5th Year

Michael Robilotto '99 writes, "Class of 1999 - I know it has been 15 years since we walked across the stage and had a chance to say goodbye to Caz. Well, it is time to bring the 1990s back to Caz. For some of us we have not been back in years and for others we may come back every year, or pass through when we have the opportunity. I would like to formally invite you to our honored class Reunion this June 13-15.1 look forward to seeing and reconnecting with everyone this summer. I will also be in contact with some of you personally and look forward to finding out where everyone is and what they are up to. See you this June."

2000

Melissa Munn Kline '00 writes,"I have started my own business, Maple Lane Design and Drafting, LLC located in Bloomingdale, NY. It's going very well so far. I am working on projects that vary from small home renovations to large new home designs and boat houses. After the birth of my last baby and after working in the same architectural office for 13 years, I felt it was the best time to do

something I had been thinking about doing for years. Missing Cazenovia and hope to visit again soon!"

2004 10th Year

Renee Banks '04 writes, "OMG-10 years since we graduated? Yes, this is reality people, not a prank! Save the date and make plans to come back to campus to meet up and reconnect with college friends and relive some of those awesome memories. Mark your calendars for June 13-15 for our 10th honored year Reunion. I will see you there."

2007

Kaleb Wilson '07 writes, "Hope everyone is well! I finally completed my Master's degree in Public Policy at New England College at the end of 2012. AmeriCU Credit Union opened a new financial center in Cazenovia and that is where I work now. Amanda Szymanski Wilson '10 and I bought a house in Caz and love living here. I encourage everyone to attend any events that the Alumni Office offers in your area and to keep in touch!"



Children's Engineering Advocate Meets Curious George

Marcia Drake Hickey '73 excels as an educator and engineering/technology advisor



arcia Drake Hickey '73 didn't want to go to college. "I wanted to work and see what the world was like." This was not met well at home, so she found and applied to one college - Cazenovia College. "That summer of 1971, I took a road trip from Buffalo to visit Cazenovia. It was a beautiful location and the rest is history" shared Hickey.

Following graduation in 1973, Hickey immediately benefitted from her retail degree, working at a Richmond, Virginia department store in their buying office. She attended school while working, got married, and received her Bachelor's degree in Business Finance from Virginia Commonwealth University. Recruited as an assistant teacher at her children's pre-school in 1986, she became a lead teacher and took classes at Mary Baldwin College over the next few years to earn her teaching certificate.

In 1996, Hickey attended training on Children's Design and Technology. She was eager to implement the new

hands-on engineering ideas in her classroom. "It made all the difference," she said. "A child with severe autism could do more with his hands than any other child in my class! It was awesome for him; it was awesome for me; and the other children learned tolerance. The children had to build their own gears around a merry-go-round. They saw how things were put together and became

engaged. It was lifechanging," said Hickey, who was named co-recipient of the Richmond, Virginia Technology **Education Association** Program of the Year Award in 2000.

Hickey worked with a group of teachers on design briefs to enhance elementary curriculum and, in 2002, she and three others left the classroom to form Children's Engineering Educators, Inc. (CEE). In 2005, she started as an adjunct

instructor at James Madison University, and that same year she became an engineering and technology educational advisor for Universal Studios, working on the WGBH-TV in Boston series, Curious George. When asked how she made this professional leap, Hickey said their CEE Web site popped up when the PBS producers were looking for advisors on children and engineering. "They wanted ideas to connect technology and engineering with Curious George," said Hickey.

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- Marcia Drake Hickey '73

engineering

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After sending five pages of ideas, CEE got the contract to partner with NBC Universal Studios for three seasons, and Hickey has now worked with Universal and WGBH-TV producers for nine seasons. She received recognition for the Emmy awarded 2009-10 season of Curious George. "Teaching children how things work with hands-on engineering projects can start at the preschool level and create the best environment for criti-

What's next for Marcia? "I was referred

by PBS in New York as an advisor for a children's entertainment company. Following my initial conversation with two lead writers via Skype, I traveled to London to brainstorm with producers on ideas for a new children's television program in England. Bound by a confidentiality agreement at the time of this article regarding two potential start-ups, Hickey anticipates a formal announcement this February.

Hickey, a co-author of Children's Engineering: A

Handbook for Elementary Educators in 2009, and Children's Engineering: Beyond the Basics in 2010, continues as a workshop presenter at national children's engineering conventions around the country.

"Learning is a life-long journey. While at Caz, I didn't ask if I didn't know, but you miss out on so much ... Now if I don't know, I'm not afraid to ask."

Clearly, Marcia Drake Hickey is still curious!

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Cazenovia College has received:

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Class of 1958 Gerald Frydlo **Sharon Frydlo** Ryan Gavin Malik Mountain/ Men's Basketball Reunion 2013 **Kevin Weinert** Barbara C. Wheler Chris Williams Samantha Young

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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.



Kari-Ann Alexander Smith '08 and Evan Smith

Kari-Ann Alexander Smith

'08 writes." I married my wonderful husband, Evan, on June 8, 2013, in Fort Fisher, NC. Tons of Caz alumni were in attendance!"

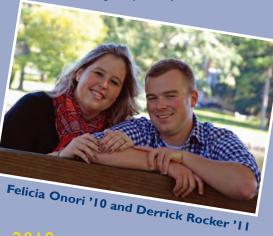
5th Year

Katie Phillips '09 writes, I had two life-changing events happen to me this year. After four years together, I became engaged to a wonderful man, Mitch Wissick, in February 2013. And, this past October 20, we welcomed a beautiful and healthy baby girl, Juniper Bloom Wissick. She was 8 lbs., 3 oz. and 21 inches. She's made our lives complete."



Juniper Bloom Wissick

Courtney Stewart '09 writes, "Class of 2009 - SAVETHE DATE! Our 5th Reunion is June 13-15. Plan to return to campus to catch up with classmates and relive our college days. I look forward to seeing everyone in June!"



Felicia Onori '10 and Derrick Rocker 'II became engaged on a trip to Niagara Falls. Felicia writes, "We met during Derrick's freshman year and my sophomore year at Cazenovia College. The rest is history! We have set a wedding date of Sept. 27, 2014, in my hometown of Auburn, NY."

Wesley Posson 'I I and Blair Wiser Posson 'II were married August 9, 2013. The couple celebrated with family and friends in San Juan Capistrano, CA. After the wedding, the couple moved to New York City where Wes is now working for New York University.



Blair Wiser Posson 'I I and Wesley Posson 'I I



Alumni **Events**

Summer and fall 2013 were bustling with alumni outreach gatherings in New York State, North Carolina and Ohio. Events brought together alumni, faculty, trustees, students, friends and past parents of the College.

Alumni athletes gathered at a reception prior to the Annual Blue & Gold Dinner and 2013 Athletics Hall of Fame induction ceremony.



Alumni baseball players and coaches returned to campus to honor former Head Baseball Coach Pete Liddell at his induction into the Cazenovia College Hall of Fame.

Those attending included: David Bird '97, Michael Brooks '00, director of athletics; Chris Comino '05, assistant director of athletics for facilities and game management; Don Bell, Tom Bell '97, Tom Coffin '95, Marc Covey '00, Chris Doherty '99, Bill Goc '02, Jim LaPorte '03, Jere Murphy '96, Mike Nichiporuk '03, Shane O'Dell '02, H.J. Refici '96, Mike Robilotto '99, Jim Shirley '97, Pete Way '03, senior associate director of athletics; Chris Yard '99 and Mike Zingaro '97

Alumni and friends gathered at a July reception in Brooklyn, hosted by Cazenovia College friend, Eleanora Kupencow. All were joined by special guests, Josef Ritter, professor, Interior Design and alumna Betsy Samet, trustee.



Athletics Hall of Fame inductee Kristin Lajeunesse '05 poses with Equine Business Management faculty.



(L-R) Karin Bump, professor, equine studies; Kristin Lajeunesse '05, Barbara Lindberg, program director and associate professor of equine business management; and Carol Buckhout, assistant professor, equine business management



Members of the 2001-02 Men's Basketball Team and former Head Coach, Todd Widrick, celebrate following their induction into the Athletics Hall of Fame.

Those pictured include: Michael Brooks '00, director of athletics; Chuck Cassidy '03, Chris Comino '05, assistant director of athletics for facilities and game management, Tom Drumm '03, Bernard Frazier '04, Mike Hogan '06, Shane O'Dell '02, Dylan Lockwood '05, Todd Widrick and Justin Stowers '02.

Alumni in New York City came together for a reception over Columbus Day Weekend.



(L-R) Illya Castillo-Becktold '95, Stephen Rivas '99, Marianne Devine '04, Blair Wiser Posson '11, Wesley Posson '11, Ashlea Osborne '12, director of the Cazenovia Fund

Upcoming Alumni Events

The Office of Alumni Relations hosts a wide variety of events to keep alumni connected and involved with Cazenovia College and one another. Watch your mailboxes for more information on 2014 winter and spring outreach events in your area.

MARCH

 Scranton/ Wilkes Barre/ Allentown, PA*

APRIL

- Raleigh/ Durham No
- Marblehead/ Gloucester M/
- Syracuse, NY
- New Hampshire

*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.

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



ALUMNI NEWS

The Chapter of the Carolinas kick-off reception brought together Cazenovia College graduates from North and South Carolina.



Alumni and guests in attendance were: Amy Bennison '93, Jennifer Parsnick Cammeyer '95, Norman Compson, Pamela Vogtli Compson '71, Arthur Deacon, Damon Douglass '92, Carolyn Charles Deacon '66, trustee; James Katon, Mary Alice Boudreau Katon '75, Henry Donaghy, Joe Fenner '92, Sandra Stricklin Donaghy '62, Helene Palmowski '81, Shari Whitaker, director of alumni relations; Ashley Willumitis '10 and Cee Cee Wilmanns '81.

The Office of Alumni Relations visited with alumni at the Hyde Park Prime Steakhouse in Akron, Ohio.

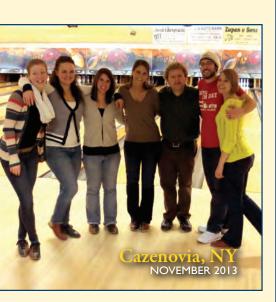


(Seated) Karol Demming '58 (Standing, L-R) Shari Whitaker, director of alumni relations; Richard Taylor, Judith Hawley Taylor '62

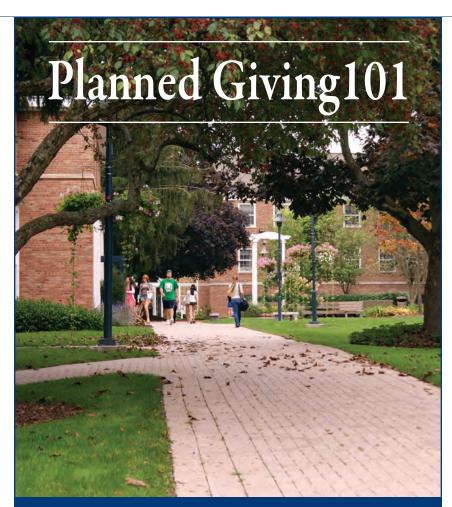
Young Alumni events were held this fall in Cazenovia.



Critz Farm
(L-R) Laurie Hennessy, Nicole
Rienzo '13, Kimmy Norton '12,
Ashlea Osborne '12, director of
the Cazenovia fund;
Kaleb Wilson '07, Amanda
Szymanski Wilson '10



Caz Sports Bowl (L-R) Carissa Wheeler '12, Marlo Colletto '11, assistant director of admissions; Lisa Folsom '07, assistant director of admissions; Ashlea Osborne '12, director of the Cazenovia fund; Darren Skotnes '05, Kaleb Wilson '07, Amanda Szymanski Wilson '10



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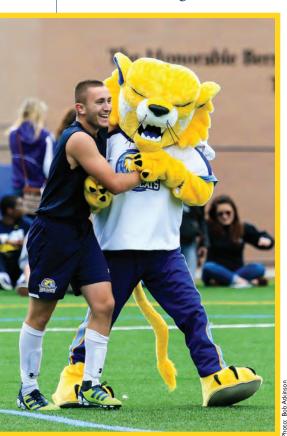
or you may contact Joan Brooks, director of development, at at 315.655.7108 or jbrooks@cazenovia.edu.





ZAC...is Back!

Cazenovia College's beloved mascot makes a "roaring" return









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azenovia College's beloved Wildcats mascot had an exciting fall semester schedule. Led by staff from Athletics, Communications and Parent Relations, the "ZAC Committee" is aimed toward making him a bigger presence on campus and at community events. The team focused on diversifying his appearances this year, thus paving the way toward making ZAC a staple at College-related functions.

He hit the ground running in late August when he lent a "paw" during Move-In Day and revved up the freshman crowd during Convocation. He frequently popped by the Dining Hall to promote upcoming athletic events, enthusiastically attended Homecoming festivities, welcomed prospective students and families at both Open Houses and stayed up late to attend Midnight Madness. He spread holiday cheer in early December at the Arts & Crafts Fair, Village of Cazenovia Christmas Walk, and College Employee Children's Holiday Party. He even participated in a CPR Flash Mob! Keep an eye out for this friendly pal at future College events. Just look for the guy in gold!



Alumni Board Authors

Congratulations to Cazenovia College Alumni Board members and authors Margot Cheney Jacoby '70, and Kim Gallup Ladd '82, who both published books in 2013. Be sure to add these titles to your reading list today!



"Love Lives"
Margot C. Jacoby '70

Jacoby has penned a touching tribute to her eldest daughter, Martha Papworth O'Neill '00. Martha's celebration of life and her battle with cancer are documented in this biography of love, faith, music and travels.

"Happy Hour in the High Peaks" Kim Gallup Ladd '82

Ladd and her sister, Pam, take readers on an Adirondack adventure – one Happy Hour at a time. They explore and review 46 establishments in Upstate New York.



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of California,
the hills of
Tennessee
or you're just
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Serving the College with a Careful Eye on its Future

Thomas R. Tartaglia, CPA brings finance and accounting experience to the Board of Trustees



√homas R. Tartaglia lives and works by a philosophy to leave things better than the way he found them. Serving in his sixth year as a member of the Cazenovia College Board of Trustees, Tartaglia brings his finance, tax and accounting experience to the College with an eye on strengthening the College and preserving a future for its students, employees and alumni - long after his work as a trustee is done.

A certified public accountant with Dermody, Burke & Brown, CPAs, LLC, in Syracuse, NY, Tartaglia has over 29 years of experience in both industry and public accounting with more than 20 years in taxation. He specializes in corporate and partnership taxation and has significant experience with special areas of taxation including sales tax, flow thru entities and acquisitions and dispositions of ownership interests in corporate and partnership entities.

"I was approached years ago by a fellow Cazenovia College trustee, who felt that my finance background would be an asset to Cazenovia College," said Tartaglia. "I was in the midst of a college search for my daughter, so I was very aware of the higher education environment, but more importantly was intrigued to be a member of a 'working' Board."

Fast forward to today and Tartaglia is proud of the role the trustees have played in carefully watching and managing the

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during the recent economic

downturn. "Working as a

financial state

of the College

trustee, but also as a participating member of the Audit, Finance, Investment and Executive committees, has allowed me to watch, guide and ensure that the College is fiscally sound."

Tartaglia shares that in today's competitive higher education environment managing the finances along with the pressing need to modernize and improve facilities is a tough balancing act. "Our greatest challenge is to keep investing in our facilities and offerings while at the same time being fiscally prudent with our budget."

He acknowledged the College's current campaign as a means for Cazenovia to continue to move forward. "I am proud that the trustees have spearheaded this effort to give back and that so many of our employees, alumni and friends have chosen to join us in this fundraising effort."

Tartaglia is part of a family chain of accountants. His dad, Rocco, was a selfemployed public accountant; his brother, John, is a certified public accountant and partner at Dermody, Burke & Brown; and his youngest daughter, Elise, is majoring in accounting and looking forward to a career in finance. He points out however that "the family is in 'balance' thanks to my wife of 30 years, Mary Jo, and my daughter, Nicole, who are both registered nurses at St. Joseph's Hospital."

For Tom Tartaglia, success comes from hard work. He admits he is not a "flashy guy" but is content with conducting himself, both personally and professionally, based on his dad's prescribed rule to live by: "the definition of character is who you are when nobody is watching."





Cazenovia College is proud to acknowledge the support and commitment of caring alumni and friends whose generosity enhances our students' educational experience.

Thank you to members of The 1824 Society for their leadership commitment to Cazenovia College.

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Hall of Fame Inducts Class of 2013

Inductees recognized at annual Blue & Gold Dinner



he Cazenovia College Athletics Department proudly inducted the following members of the Cazenovia College family into the Athletics Hall of Fame at the 2013 Blue & Gold Dinner, held this past fall as part of the College's Homecoming/Family Weekend.

2001-02 Men's Basketball Team

Considered one of the best teams to ever compete in Cazenovia College athletics history, the 2001-02 men's basketball team was the first Cazenovia College team to make it to a post-season National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) tournament. The team finished the regular season with a 16-10 record and earned a spot in the 2002 NCAA Division III Championship.

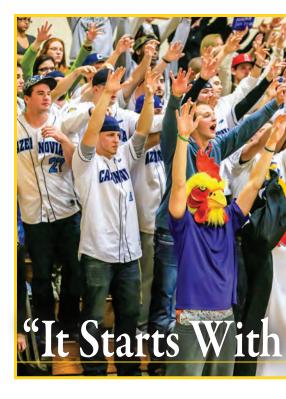
Kristin Lajeunesse '05

Kristin Lajeunesse successfully competed in the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) Advanced Horsemanship, Open Horsemanship and Reining divisions while at Caz. She was the first equestrian team

member to qualify and participate in the National Reining Horse Association (NRHA) Derby in Oklahoma in 2005. She earned the Reserve Zone Championship in both Individual and Team Reining, and was a top four finish in the American Quarter Horse Association Open Reining Class at the 2005 IHSA Nationals. Kristin earned a Regional Championship in Advanced Horsemanship in 2002, a Zone Championship in 2003, and a Zone Championship in AQHA Open Horsemanship in 2005. She was also a part of the Competitive Horse Judging Team at IHSA Nationals from 2003-05, placing in the top five in 2003 and 2004, and the top three in 2005.

Pete Liddell

Pete Liddell was employed for more than 18 years at Cazenovia College as assistant athletics director. During 12 of those years, he served as head baseball coach and was instrumental in reviving the program at the College after more than 50 years without baseball. Liddell's baseball teams won North Eastern Athletic Conference (NEAC) championships in 2001, 2002 and 2004, and won the City University of New York Athletic Conference (CUNYAC) Championship in 2004. Liddell was named NEAC Coach of the Year in 2001 and 2004, and CUNYAC Coach of the Year in 2004. His 159 wins and 373 games coached are the highest in Cazenovia College athletics history.

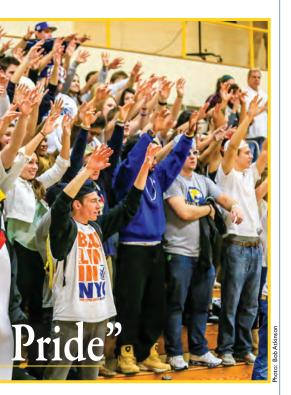


Student-athlete experience program unveiled by Athletics

Staff in the College's Department of Intercollegiate Athletics hosted their annual student-athlete orientation on Sunday, September 8, in the Schneeweiss Athletic Complex to kick-start yet another year of Wildcats athletics. With over 200 students in attendance, newly appointed Athletics Director Michael D. Brooks '01 began the evening addressing this year's teams by saying, "I want to work with all of you on making this the best experience possible; but it starts with pride. Pride in your school, pride in your teammates, and finally, pride in yourself as Cazenovia College Wildcats." Pride became the mantra of this year's orientation as both Brooks and his staff encouraged student-athletes to get involved and take pride in being Wildcats.



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This year's orientation focused on the new student-athlete experience program implemented by Associate Athletics Director for Student-Athlete Services Lauren Pacelli. The program focuses on five separate levels of commitment: academic integrity, athletics excellence, personal development, career development and community service. Brooks concluded the orientation by saying, "The number one priority of the Athletics Department staff is to provide the best experience possible through our commitment and dedication to you - our student-athletes."

Wildcats Engaged in Community Service

Student-athletes give back in supporting numerous causes

Dig Pink

In early October, the Cazenovia College women's volleyball team played host to the fifth annual "Dig Pink" volleyball tournament in support of The Side-Out Foundation's Dig Pink" & National Breast Cancer Awareness. The event promotes breast health education in the community and raises funds to further research.

Light the Night Walk

The Cazenovia
College men's soccer
team participated in
their second consecutive
Light the Night walk at
Clinton Square in Syracuse, New York.
Light the Night is The Leukemia &
Lymphoma Society* (LLS) fundraising
walk held at various locations across the
country in an effort to support the LLS
mission to cure leukemia, lymphoma,
Hodgkin's disease and myeloma while
improving the quality of life for patients and their families.

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Caz Celebrates Record-Breaking Fall Season

Several Wildcats set all-time college records.

Women's Cross Country



Freshman Shelby McIntyre (Ilion, NY) set an all-time College record with a time of 19:06 in the women's cross country 5K event.

Women's Soccer



Sophomore Emily Graham (Wellsville, NY) scored four first-half goals to tie the all-time College record for goals in one game.



Junior Leigh Shoemaker (Rome, NY) registered four assists in one game breaking the all-time mark, which had previously been set at two assists in a single game.



The Women's Soccer Team set the all-time College mark with 13 goals scored in a single game.

Swimming and Diving



Sophomore Michelle Swanson (West Hurley, NY) set the all-time Cazenovia College and NEAC women's diving record with a combined total score of 373.50 in the 1-meter dive.



Vibrant in Vermont

A visit with Natalee Woolfolk Everett '50



lumna Natalee
Woolfolk Everett '50 paints
what she wants...she paints
Vermont. A transplant to the area in the
late 50s, Everett quickly found herself

immersed in the beauty of the Green Mountain state and on track to finding her permanent residence.

Originally from Loudonville, New York, Everett grew up with a fondness for art – specifically painting. "I love to combine my appreciation for animals, nature or whatever comes to mind

into a vivid arrangement on canvas," says Everett.

She graduated from Milne School in Albany, New York, and went on to receive an

associate's

degree in fine art from Cazenovia. She then devoted her life toward raising her young children and always maintained a keen interest toward art and a pull toward the mountains of New England. In her early forties, she ventured back to college and earned a bachelor's degree in art from Keane College and landed in Vermont shortly

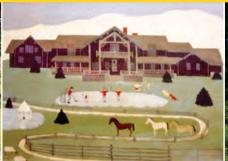
after. "My dream was to teach art and I knew that this additional schooling would help me achieve that reality," notes Everett.

Everett
ultimately
embarked
on a new
career path and
saw it take off when
she explored the world of
primitive art. Her abstract work hints at
folk art and her two-dimensional style,
sprinkled with a dose of good humor, has
drawn much acclaim from diverse patrons
and prominent collectors. One of Everett's
most notable commissions was from actress
Goldie Hawn; Everett lent her talents
toward depicting Hawn's homestead in

Aspen, Colorado. In addition to being renowned in the art circuit and enlisting a clientele from Massachusetts to California, Everett's work has been featured in Good Housekeeping, New York Times, House Beautiful and Women's Day.

Each day, as she brings canvases alive with farmhouses, landscapes, villages and animals, she remains content in knowing that every new painting is a nod to her surroundings in the woods of Peru, Vermont. They're also a tribute to following her dreams. "My appreciation for Vermont runs deep – just like my lifelong adoration for painting," says Everett. "The world of art and Vermont both called out to me over the years in their own special ways. It's never too late to listen to your true calling; for when you stop to hear it, the message will be crystal clear."

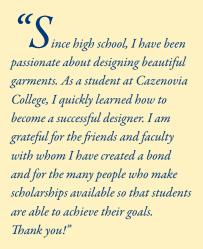






Karina K. Mitchell Scholarship:

Established by former trustee William B. Mitchell, in honor of Karina Mitchell, this scholarship is awarded to a student whose academic and non-academic endeavors reflect favorably on the College and the Cazenovia community.



- Darwin Gordon Senior Fashion Design major Troy, Michigan

Cazenovia College Fashion Design majors will reveal their latest fashion designs this spring, including the exciting senior collections of 15 talented students like Darwin at the 41st Annual Fashion Show, "*Urban Chic*," on April 26 at the Landmark Theatre in Syracuse, NY. Visit www.cazenovia.edu/fashionshow.

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