Dear Friends:

It’s a challenge to sort through a year of accomplishments and attempt to highlight them within the pages of this report, particularly when we have so many accomplishments with long-lasting, positive effects on our college.

In reviewing the pages that follow, I’ve tried to summarize them into six different groups:

**News. (pp. 3-6, 8-11)**
Keeping you informed is the primary goal of our Community Report. While our accomplishments this past year vary in size and scope, they all point toward tremendous progress and momentous growth.

**Foundation. (p. 7)**
Thirty-five years of tremendous success for our College Foundation was recently celebrated by honoring four families who have been integral in insuring that success throughout the years. Numbers alone can’t explain the extraordinary influence those families have had on students, alumni, the community, and the college, although attempting to count the smiles they’ve generated would be a good start.

**Faculty. (pp. 12 & 13)**
I can’t say enough about the hard work and dedication of our faculty. That is why we decided to dedicate our center pages to them. I only wish we had room to highlight more of them.

**Athletics. (pp. 14-16)**
Switching to four-year athletics, joining a new league, unveiling a new nickname, debuting two new teams, hosting a national championship, and winning conference titles were all part of the remarkable success our athletic department experienced this year. Did I mention an incredible number of individual accomplishments as well?

**Students. (pp. 17-22)**
Every year they continue to amaze, overcome, and achieve. We’ve profiled several students throughout these pages and also featured them in our news. Much like our faculty members, I only wish we had space to profile more.

**Alumni. (p. 23)**
I’m not sure if our alumni realize how much pride we take in them. We consider their accomplishments and successes part of our own accomplishments and successes. We like to brag about them. They are the end result of all of our efforts, so we can’t help but want to stay in touch with them and maintain that lifelong relationship.

I hope you enjoy our Community Report. It’s been a pleasure putting it together and reflecting on our shared successes. We look forward to another great year for SUNY Canton and the North Country Community in 2008.

Sincerely,

Joseph L. Kennedy
President
**GREEN CYCLING**

Assistant Professor of Humanities Matt Burnett was part of the Green Torch Relay, a 200-mile bike trek from Canton to Albany in October. The cyclists relayed to raise awareness on climate change. Burnett is involved with the college’s Green Campus Committee and has advocated environmental action and awareness to the college community.

**MARESCAS MAKE $100,000 CHALLENGE**

Dr. Michael Maresca and his wife Barbara of Potsdam committed to making a minimum gift of $100,000 to establish the Dr. Michael and Barbara Maresca Family Endowment for Nursing Education and challenged others to contribute as well.

The Massena Memorial Hospital Foundation and Canton-Potsdam Hospital each gave $25,000 to the challenge. Numerous individual donors and other organizations have also contributed.

“The generosity of the Maresca family is truly inspiring,” Dr. Kennedy said. “This donation and challenge will not only dramatically affect the quality of education we’re able to provide our nursing students, it will also have a long-term positive effect on the quality of healthcare throughout the North Country.”

**NEW KANGAROOS**

Members of the Athletic Department, assisted by University Police, added a new Kangaroo to the entryway. The three-color logo was painted by (l to r) Diane Para, Director of Athletics and Assistant Dean of Students, Tim Mickle, Men’s Baseball Coach, Teresa Minckler, Women’s Soccer Coach, and Craig Woods, Men’s Basketball Coach. More big footprints and hand-painted Roos can be seen around campus.

**AIR CONDITIONING STUDENTS SCORE SCHOLARSHIPS**

Several students in the highly-regarded Air Conditioning Engineering Technology program brought home scholarships from a recent American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) conference.

The Air Conditioning Engineering Technology program is one of the most widely respected programs in the Canino School of Engineering Technology. The program was founded by Professor Emeritus Harry King in 1946. As an added honor to the college, one of the students received a scholarship named after King.

**SBDC CELEBRATES RECORD IMPACT**

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) marked its best year ever, according to Director Dale Rice ’91.

“The economic impact of the businesses that received our assistance in the past year has almost equaled the total economic impact for our past seven years of operation,” Rice said.

From Jan. 1, 2006 through September 30, the Canton SBDC’s clients recorded more than $24 million in economic impact as compared to the more than $25 million of economic impact reported from 1998 to 2005.

The SBDC has relocated to the Massena Education Center in the St. Lawrence Centre Mall.

**WIND BLOWN POWER**

Electrical Engineering Technology students visited the Noble Environmental Power Wind Farm in Chateaugay to learn more about the installation and operation of wind turbines. The students were invited by Noble’s Managing Director Daniel Haas ’78.
AN AIR CONDITIONING KING

Several alumni are joining with Alumni and Development staff to spearhead a campaign to honor Professor Emeritus Harry King ’40. The goal is to raise $100,000 to secure the naming opportunity for the Air Conditioning Laboratory and conduct a dedication ceremony on June 14 during Alumni Weekend.

King founded the heating and air conditioning program in 1946. His foresight and dedication initiated hundreds of successful careers for students.

Please consider joining fellow alumni in supporting this effort to honor one of SUNY Canton’s most influential professors. Call 800-811-6727 or email ayrassianj@canton.edu.

FROM RUSSIA WITH LEARNERS

Students from Lomonosov Moscow State University in Russia spent more than a month at SUNY Canton this summer during the college’s first international exchange program. The students stayed in the college’s residence halls, took classes, and explored the North Country. The exchange program built upon the two colleges’ highly successful union that allows students in Moscow to earn their SUNY Canton bachelor’s degree alongside one from their home university.

Many of the students will be taking classes through SUNY Canton OnLine and may even return to the college as on-campus students.

SAFE COLLEGE BECOMES SAFER

The college recently implemented the State Emergency Management Office’s (SEMO) NY-Alert emergency notification program.

“New York-Alert will allow us to quickly send out alert notifications to faculty, staff, and students,” said Kennedy. “By using a multiple and redundant notification system, we hope to inform everyone on campus in the event of an emergency.”

College officials can send notifications via the Internet, which are then directed to each student’s email accounts, cell phones via both text and voice, and even to regular phones.

“We want to reach students using the technology they already rely upon in their daily lives,” Kennedy said.

All students, faculty members, and staff are encouraged to join in the NY-Alert program.

THREE NEW, MORE COMING

The college added two new bachelor’s degree programs in 2007 and another in 2008. Several other four-year degrees are pending state approval. The addition of Dental Hygiene, Industrial Technology Management, and Graphic and Multimedia Design brought the total number of bachelor’s majors to 15. Within the next year, the college also expects to begin new four-year degrees in Applied Psychology, Nursing, Forensic Science Technology, Management Information Systems and Health Information Administration.

REVVING IT UP

The College hits a trio of racetracks this year by sponsoring the SUNY Canton Street Stock Series at Caprara’s Thunder Alley Speedpark in Evans Mills, Caprara’s Can-Am Motorsports Park in LaFargeville, and the Utica-Rome Speedway in Vernon for the 2008 racing season.

“It will be a great opportunity for students in our Motorsports and Automotive programs to watch some of the best racing and crews from around the state,” said Michael J. Perry, Executive Director of the College Association, who worked with racing officials to set up the series. “It also links us with the racing circuit, which is like a North Country NASCAR. Our students

UNDER THE BIG TOP - Student Government President Anthony Thompson ’07 addresses his peer graduates at the college’s 99th Commencement Ceremony. The year of fantastic firsts was accentuated by holding commencement outside under a magnificent big-top tent.
will have the chance to meet with some of the top professionals and amateurs, so it will be both educational and fun.”

A pit crew challenge will also be featured at one of the races.

Hurlbut graduated with a degree in Air Conditioning Engineering Technology under the guidance of Professor Emeritus Harry King ’40. King hired him to teach at the school in 1973.

In 2006 he was decorated with the E.K. Campbell Award of Merit from the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE). Hurlbut also received the SUNY Canton Distinguished Faculty Award in 2002.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

A number of students, faculty, and staff members were awarded for their service and performance at the college. Among those honored were:

- Director of Athletics and Assistant Dean of Students Diane Para received the President’s Meritorious Service Award.
- Math Lab Coordinator Linda Crowner ’89 received the College Council’s 2007 Excellence in College Service Award.
- Grounds Supervisor Stanley Wilson received the College Council’s 2007 Employee Recognition Award.
- Professor Rosanna M. Moser received the Distinguished Faculty Award.
- Associate Professor of Nursing Mary Jane Doelger ’82 received the Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching.
- Marti King MacArthur, ’74 & ’78, received SUNY Canton’s Distinguished Alumna Award.
- Tiffany Dailey ’07, an Early Childhood student from Chase Mills, and Mbaye Diop ’07, a Liberal Arts and Sciences: General Studies student from New York City, both received the Associate Level Outstanding Graduate award. Dailey and Diop received the Chancellor’s Award for Student Excellence as well.
- Gina Cosamano ’07, a Criminal Investigation major from Holland Patent, received the Baccalaureate Level Outstanding Graduate award.
- Catherine B. Newell and Allan P. Newell, co-founders of the Sweetgrass Foundation, received the SUNY Canton College Council’s 2007 Distinguished Citizen Award.
- Denise Burrows ’06 was honored with New York State Comptroller Tom DiNapoli’s Payroll Achievement Award. Burrows helped the college receive a gold star decoration for accuracy in both 2005 and 2007, which is only received by one SUNY school per year.
- Physical Therapist Assistant major Gregory Wise ’08 received the West Potsdam Fire Department Chief’s Award in recognition of years of service and dedication to the department.

NEW WEBSITE

A new home page is just the start of the college’s re-designed website. New interior pages are being added weekly. Check out the college’s latest news, more pictures, and more video at www.canton.edu.
**Alternative and Renewable Energy Systems Program Director** Michael Newtown ’84, Assistant Professor Matt Bullwinkel, and Instructional Support Technician Raghuraman Ramanathan were interviewed for a Fox Business article on colleges offering green degrees. Newtown was quoted in the web article, which also referenced Yale University.

**Joel Canino ’59, Ronald Woodcock ’59,** and college benefactor Rachael Bagley placed a message in The Wall Street Journal encouraging others from outside the college’s circle of donors to consider a gift to the SUNY Canton Foundation. The advertisement ran twice in October and was the subject of a front-page Watertown Daily Times article.

Construction Technology: Management students at SUNY Canton were featured in the Watertown Daily Times for putting up three buildings at the George E. Briggs Training Center in West Potsdam. The students were working with Assistant Professor Joseph Reilly ’78, Instructional Support Associate Paul Hitchman ’95, and Building Construction Instructor Robert Boak ’98. One of the buildings students worked on will simulate how to ventilate a burning building through its roof and will feature a forced-entry simulator.

Assistant Women’s Basketball Coach Missy West was featured in the North Country’s Greatest Athletes series in the Watertown Daily Times. West, a three-sport star at Franklin Academy in Malone, was named Miss New York State in Basketball her senior year and then played for Duke University. She played professionally for three years in Germany and is now in her fourth season with SUNY Canton.

Leevell Penn ’07, Veterinary Science Technology, was featured in the American Agriculturist for springboarding from volunteer positions to paid ones at Armory Dog and Cat Hospital in the Bronx, and at Greenwood Dairy in Canton. Veterinary Science Technology Professor Tony Beane, D.V.M., was also featured in the periodical about testing freemartin breeders. Both articles were authored by Linda Greenwood ’75. Additionally, research authored by Veterinary Science Technology Professor Mary O’Horo Loomis ‘76, D.V.M., and six Licensed Veterinary Technician graduates were featured in Veterinary Technician, a journal for veterinary healthcare professionals.

Criminal Investigation Visiting Instructor Susan Buckley was quoted in the Watertown Daily Times regarding a shooting incident involving New York State Trooper Amanda S. Reif. Buckley is a retired state police detective.

Online Learning Technician Jerry Bartlett ’04 was the subject of a two-page feature in Syracuse’s The Post Standard. Bartlett makes his own electricity to power his off-grid home through solar panels, wind turbines, and a unique generator. The article was also republished by Harvard University’s Government Innovators Network website.

**SUNY Canton** was ranked in the top 50 Criminal Justice Associate Degrees in the United States according to a Community College Week analysis.

**A New Hampshire Import**

Former University of New Hampshire (UNH) Dean William R. Trumble recently joined SUNY Canton as the College’s Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

“Dr. Trumble joins us with an extensive research and administrative background,” Kennedy said. “His duties here will include continuing the college’s mission to offer more four-year degrees, the expansion of SUNY Canton OnLine, growth in international programs, and supporting the academic excellence of our students and faculty.”

Trumble was also the Director of the New Hampshire Agricultural Experiment Station and a Professor in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology.

“SUNY Canton is undergoing explosive growth in many areas and is a leader in numerous facets of higher education,” Trumble said. “I’m looking forward to many more exciting collective accomplishments.”

**Burn Baby Burn**

Pellet power may soon be coming to a home near you. The college’s Alternative and Renewable Energy Systems program recently received a grant from the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority to research grass pellets as a heating source. At the later stages of the initiative, the College will be placing pellet stoves in selected homes across the North Country to further test the viability of the pelletized grass fuel source.
Foundation Families Honored

The Bagley Family of Madrid received the Model Alumni Award. The late Leon E. Bagley ’48 began a tradition of donating to the college along with his sister-in-law Alice Westaway Bagley. Their efforts have been continued by his wife, Rachael, son Timothy ’85, and grandson Alexander ’05. Tim is pictured with Tania and Scott Sterling ’86, his college roommate.

The Fay Family of Canton received the Community Education Connection Award. The Fays have provided more than 100 years of combined educational service in the North Country: Accounting Professor Dan and Professor Emerita Linda Fay; Dean of the School of Business and Public Service Emeritus Ed Fay and his wife Patricia; Professor Emeritus Maurice and Sheila Fay Harrington, both of whom taught in the School of Business; and Director of Counseling Emeritus Harry and Peggy Fay Podgurski, a retired Edwards-Knox teacher.

The Coakley Family of Canton received the Community Leadership Award. Carol and Ronald Spadacini, William and Carol Coakley, and Thomas and Nellie Coakley are well known for their civic pride, involvement in the community, and willingness to assist others.

President Emeritus Dr. and Mrs. Earl W. MacArthur of Naples, Fla., and Morristown, received the Impact Award for their years of extraordinary service and dedication. The Foundation was created through their vision and foresight. Dr. MacArthur served as College President from 1972 to 1992. He and Mrs. MacArthur remain actively involved with the Foundation and the college.

The 35th Anniversary Celebration of the SUNY Canton Foundation honored four families who have been instrumental in creating its success.

“We cannot thank these four families and all of our donors enough for their continuing involvement in our college,” Dr. Kennedy said. “They have ensured success for many students and their donations will continue to be realized for generations to come.”
Fourteen and Flying
by President
Joseph L. Kennedy

**Time Flies.**

While it’s hard for me to believe I’ve just completed my 14th year as President, it’s easy to look back at each individual year as a building block that has been integral in constructing our current foundation of success.

I’ll remember this past year, the College’s 101st, as being synonymous with growth and impact. We progressed in so many ways and positively impacted so many students, families, and communities that it was perhaps the most rewarding of all the years since my arrival here in 1993.

We experienced significant growth in critical areas such as enrollment, employment, fundraising, construction, and renovations, scholarships, and the development of new programs. As a result, the magnitude of our accomplishments has been substantial and, at times, spectacular.

We could go on and on, but I’m sure you understand where I’m headed. It’s not just one of these factors bolstering our enrollment growth; it’s the collective sum.

Our Fall 2007 enrollment was the College’s highest in 32 years and the second highest in school history, topped only by its 1975-76 headcount highpoint.

The 2,776 students enrolled marked an increase of more than 150 students from last year, more than 250 students from two years ago, and more than 300 students from five years ago.

Summerterm and Winterterm continue to record explosive enrollment growth. This past summer saw nearly double the number of students we experienced from just two years ago, and it was more than a 50 percent increase from just last year.

Our completely online Winterterm grew to more than 360 students this year, which is a 10 percent jump from 2006-07 and more than a 100 percent rise from 2005-06.

We’re obviously heading in the right direction. Although it’s still very early in the process, applications and interest have been very strong thus far for next year.

It’s estimated that every 100 students add an additional $250,000 annually to the local economy, so SUNY Canton’s efforts are obviously paying dividends for not just the College, but the entire North Country community as well. We’re quickly moving in on our goal to reach 3,000 students within the next few years.

**WE CAN DO MORE**

As the costs of attending college continue to increase, the importance of fundraising and scholarships has never been greater. As successful as we’ve been, we can, and need to, do more.

Students were awarded more than $400,000 in scholarships this year, setting a record in total amount awarded and number of awards. Almost 300 students were recipients of SUNY Canton Foundation scholarships, enabling them to attend college when they might otherwise not have had the financial ability to do so. This may be unfamiliar to many of our older alumni whose tuition was largely or wholly paid for by the state, but the reality is we now need your support more than ever before, since the state pays less than 30 percent of student cost.

More students translate into more need. We want to make sure that qualified students with bright futures are able to attend our college and transform their lives as so many of our alumni before them have already done.

The growth of our Foundation has been fantastic. Foundation assets have surpassed $14 million for the first time in college history with an increase of nearly $4 million last year alone.

That’s a result of the extraordinary generosity of alumni, profes-
sors, businesses, staff, and friends of the College, but we still need a higher percentage of you to participate. It is an important part of the growth of our college and the fulfillment of our goals to attract top quality students.

Foundation Board members and staff have worked diligently with Centennial Campaign Co-Chairs Ron ‘59 and Blanche Woodcock ‘06 to build from our success. Those collective efforts have resulted in fantastic progress.

Foundation assets have grown from $1 million in 1993, to $5 million in 2004, to today’s more than $14 million total. With your help, those numbers will continue to grow.

**New Construction and Renovations**

New construction projects and renovations have been plentiful this past year. They include new cross-country trails for walking, jogging, and biking; a new synthetic turf field for soccer and other sports; a new baseball field that will be ready for competition this fall; and the new Convocation Athletic Recreation Center (CARC) on the way.

Various upgrades have been completed in the residence halls; steps and ramps between the library and French Hall; and facelifts in Nevaldine, Cook, and Wicks Halls.

Planning for the upcoming year also includes further renovations in Nevaldine and Wicks and relocating our Information Services Center to Southworth Library.

**More Students More Employees**

Our impact on the North Country economy doesn’t just stop with the growing number of students. We have continued to expand our workforce significantly by adding more professors, more staff members, and more contracted workers.

Five years ago the College had 408 employees. That total has grown to 544 this year, an increase of more than 33 percent and a sizable boost for our local economy. Those new employees bring families, buy houses, support retail, pay taxes, and so on.

Just last year, SUNY Canton expanded from 500 to 544 employees, including 14 new full-time faculty members. That’s an overall employee increase of almost 9 percent in just 12 months.

If you live in the North Country, there’s a good chance you know someone who recently started a new job at SUNY Canton.

Those numbers don’t include the sizable contingent of workers who work on campus for area businesses. SUNY Canton’s recent construction projects have been a boon for local contractors. From upgrading exterior stairs and walkways (a Gouverneur company) to constructing the new $1.8 million synthetic turf field (a Norfolk company), you’ll find local contractors continually benefitting from our upgrades and expansions.

**More Majors More Choices**

Our new additions are certainly not limited to facilities. We’ve added three new bachelor’s degrees since our last Community Report, and there are still more on the way.

That brings our latest total of bachelor’s degrees to 15 following the unveiling of Graphic and Multimedia Design, Industrial Technology Management, and Dental Hygiene.

Graphic and Multimedia Design will focus on new media and the ever-changing methods of communication. In addition to basic art and humanities courses, the major will include classes in three-dimensional design, web publishing, digital photography, documentary video, and video game design and production.

The Industrial

**Bachelor’s Degrees**

**CURRENT**
- Alternative and Renewable Energy Systems
- Criminal Investigation
- Dental Hygiene
- Emergency Management
- Facilities Operation
- Financial Services
- Funeral Services Administration
- Graphic and Multimedia Design
- Health Care Management
- Industrial Technology Management
- Information Technology
- Law Enforcement Leadership
- Legal Studies
- Technology Management
- Veterinary Services Management

**COMING SOON**
- Forensic Science Technology
- Health Information Administration
- Management Information Systems
- Four-year Nursing
Technology Management major provides a springboard for management and leadership careers, particularly for associate degree graduates from the Canino School of Engineering Technology, and the Dental Hygiene curriculum builds from our successful two-year program in that field. The final two years of the Dental Hygiene bachelor’s degree is offered completely online, allowing parents and working professionals the flexibility to excel.

We anticipate adding as many as half a dozen new four-year programs over the next year. The bachelor’s degrees are an important part of our success as we grow our enrollment. It is helping us to attract new students, retain current students, and establish a ladder curriculum that few other colleges have the luxury of offering.

Rumble with Trumble

One of the many people who will be responsible for ushering in our new majors and ensuring the success of our current programs will be the College’s new Provost, Dr. William R. Trumble. (see page 6.) He replaces Dr. Jeremy D. Brown who this fall was selected as the new president at Edinboro University in Pennsylvania. Dr. Trumble comes to us from the University of New Hampshire where he was both a professor and a dean.

We wish Dr. Brown the best in his new position. His positive impact on SUNY Canton was highlighted with the addition of numerous bachelor’s degrees, the continued exponential growth of SUNY Canton OnLine (OL), and the remarkable expansion of our worldwide efforts known as Planet Canton.

Planet Canton

Yes, we are spanning the globe. Perhaps even more than most people realize.

Did you know that SUNY Canton had over 100 Bosnian students enrolled in classes this fall? Did you know that there are a half dozen Russian students slated to graduate with bachelor’s degrees this spring?

A growing number of students are also enrolled from Japan and Ukraine.

Interim Provost Pauline A. Graveline and SUNY Canton OL Director Molly Mott are among those who have travelled extensively to establish and lead these worldwide efforts.

The College’s first Summer Program for International Students brought 11 students and one faculty member from Moscow State University. The program will be expanded to include all of our Planet Canton partners next summer and could bring as many as 200 foreign students to campus.

International partnerships have been expanded to include AUBiH in Bosnia, Kazan State Power Engineering University in Tatarstan, Institute of Public Administration in Moscow, and Yalta University of Management.

These are indispensable relationships that will challenge our students and faculty to think and interact globally, an ability that grows in importance every day.

Students Make Professors Excel

Who came first: the great professor or the great student? We’d like to think both here at SUNY Canton.

Either way, the achievements of one group reflect well on the other. Some of the fantastic student accomplishments recognized over the past year include:

Students in our Occupational Therapy Assistant, Physical Therapist Assistant, and Veterinary Science Technology programs recorded 100 percent pass rates on all of their respective national exams.

Several Air Conditioning Engineering Technology students won national awards and scholarships.

Business Administration major Karl Ortmeyer ’07 of Potsdam won a national leadership award through the National Republican Campaign Committee’s Business Advisory Council.

Students in Nursing, Criminal Justice, Electrical Engineering Technology, Civil Engineering Technology, Mechanical Engineering Technology, and Air Conditioning Engineering Technology are all among those being heavily recruited by employers at least six months prior to their graduation.

The Steel Bridge Team captured first place in the Upstate New York regional competition for the 11th time in 14 years and finished 7th overall in the nation.

How Students Communicate

It’s abundantly obvious that today’s students communicate with each other in remarkably different ways than their parents did at the same age. Things like text messaging, blogs, internet social networks like MySpace, e-mail, YouTube, and iPods weren’t prevalent or didn’t even exist 20 years ago. (Don’t you remember 8-track players and 45’s?)

The ever-changing technology of today’s world makes it exciting
The contest was a great deal of fun and yielded numerous entries that captured the essence of college life from a student’s perspective.

**Big Jumps**

Another area that saw an incredible transformation over the past year was athletics. In addition to the new construction for five of our six outdoor sports teams (men’s and women’s soccer, men’s and women’s cross country, and baseball), the athletic department also recorded achievements both on and off the playing fields, including three fall sports conference championships.

For more about the Kangaroos’ accomplishments this year, check out pages 14 and 15 in this publication.

Congratulations to all of those involved on a remarkable year, especially considering our challenges with the inability to use Dana Hall this fall. We are all excited and anxiously awaiting the construction of our new convocation and athletic facility.

**Year 101**

In summation, the College’s 101st year has been extraordinarily productive and fulfilling. We have a clear vision ahead of us and we’re working diligently as a collective unit to achieve beyond expectations.

I’m proud of the accomplishments of our faculty, staff, students, alumni, and community members. We have set ourselves up for another spectacular year over the next twelve months.

I look forward to presiding over the 100th graduating class this spring and witnessing even more individual triumphs and community successes.

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**A Grand Reunion!**

The SUNY Canton Alumni Association extends a warm invitation to Alumni Weekend, June 13-15, with special gatherings for graduates of:

The Class of 1958 - The Class of 1983
Automotive - Electrical - HAC’Ker’s - Nursing

For more information, please contact Beth Irvine at 800-811-6727 / irvine10@canton.edu / www.canton.edu/alumni
World Class Faculty

They inform. They inspire. They transform students’ lives. Here’s a look at some of our outstanding faculty members.

Feng Hong
Assistant Professor of Physics, Alternative and Renewable Energy Systems Department
Ph.D., North Dakota State University
HOMETOWN: Hefei, China
FAVORITE MUSICAL ARTIST: Bob Dylan
BEST PRACTICES: I try to fascinate students with interesting things, create some passion in students for knowing these interesting things, and do my best to create a jovial content-centered atmosphere.

Joan Poulsen
Assistant Professor of Psychology, Social Sciences
Ph.D., Michigan State University
HOMETOWN: Fort Wayne, Indiana
FAVORITE GADGET: Remote starter on my car. It’s wonderful during the winter!
TEACHING STYLE: I use many techniques to capture students’ interest and help them understand concepts. Students aren’t satisfied with just lecture, they demand more interaction, and I try to rise to that challenge.

Stephen Frempong
Associate Professor, Electrical Engineering Technology
Ph.D., California Coast University
HOMETOWN: Asheville, North Carolina
PLAYLIST: African music
TEACHING STYLE: My teaching style is to couple theory with hands-on activities and to present material in a simplified way.
PHILOSOPHY: You never fail until you stop trying.
BEST PRACTICES: Invest in a business that supports education!!!!

Sophia Theodore
Instructor and Program Director, Veterinary Services Management
D.V.M. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
HOMETOWN: Potsdam, New York
TEACHING STYLE: I use a lot of graphics because I think they’re the best way to illustrate a point aside from hands-on experience, which we also do in the laboratory. I try to use humor whenever possible.
BEST PRACTICES: Consider issues from all sides and pay attention to the details. And of course, spay or neuter your pet!

Matt Burnett
Assistant Professor, Graphic and Multimedia Design
M.F.A. Maine College of Art
HOMETOWN: Long Lake, New York
FAVORITE GADGET: A toss up between my camera and my fishing pole
FAVORITE MUSIC: 70’s music (almost anything on vinyl)
TOP ACHIEVEMENT: Making a living from creating and teaching art
TEACHING STYLE: Rigorous and fun
Maureen Maiocco
Assistant Professor, Early Childhood Program Director
Ed.D., Nova Southeastern University, Florida
HOMETOWN: Stoughton, Massachusetts

An Influential Moment... Early in my career I was passing out coloring worksheets to a group of 4-year-old children. One looked up at me and said, “No thank you, can I have a plain piece of paper?” I asked the child, “Why do you want a plain white sheet of paper?” He replied, “Because, I like to color in my own lines.” From that point on, I stopped being so concerned with the product and focused on the process.

Earliest Career Interest: I wanted to be a rock star!
The Book About My Life Would Be Called: A best seller

Susan Buckley
Visiting Instructor, Criminal Investigation
M.Ed. SUNY Potsdam
HOMETOWN: Dannemora, New York
Television: 24, Grey’s Anatomy, Survivor
I was Hooked On Law Enforcement When... I got my first confession from a suspect.
Achievements: Promotion to senior investigator in the New York State Police and managing a field unit of BCI investigators.

Lawretta Ononye
Assistant Professor, Alternative and Renewable Energy Systems
Ph.D. University of Tennessee
HOMETOWN: Nigeria, Africa
Teaching Style: My teaching style is based on two essential components: motivate students and guide them to learn. I organize and present the material in a way that makes it easily absorbed and interesting to the students. My teaching style combines the use of visual presentation, demonstration, and interactive activity.

Michael J. Newtown, P.E. ’84
Assistant Professor and Department Chair, Energy and Environment
M.S. Clarkson University
HOMETOWN: Ogdensburg, New York
Favorite Gadget: Wind velocity meter and Psychrometer
Top Achievement: Winning and participating with Dr. Arthur Hurlbut ’65 in a $250,000 grant.
Teaching Style: I like to show hands-on stuff that relates the equations and theory.
The Book About My Life Would Be Called: The Green Engineer
Top Achievement: Winning a $250,000 grant with Dr. Arthur Hurlbut ’65.

Daniel Gagliardi
Assistant Professor of Mathematics
Ph.D., North Carolina State University
HOMETOWN: Ossining, New York
Teaching Style: I think of myself more as a coach than a lecturer, so my classes are kind of like a workout. It is fun and rewarding to see my students engaged in the learning process. I like to show them how much fun (and useful) math is in the hopes of igniting their interest in the subject.
Philosophy: Try to make decisions you will not regret.

Maureen Maiocco
Assistant Professor, Early Childhood Program Director
Ed.D., Nova Southeastern University, Florida
HOMETOWN: Stoughton, Massachusetts

An Influential Moment... Early in my career I was passing out coloring worksheets to a group of 4-year-old children. One looked up at me and said, “No thank you, can I have a plain piece of paper?” I asked the child, “Why do you want a plain white sheet of paper?” He replied, “Because, I like to color in my own lines.” From that point on, I stopped being so concerned with the product and focused on the process.

Earliest Career Interest: I wanted to be a rock star!
The Book About My Life Would Be Called: A best seller

Susan Buckley
Visiting Instructor, Criminal Investigation
M.Ed. SUNY Potsdam
HOMETOWN: Dannemora, New York
Television: 24, Grey’s Anatomy, Survivor
I was Hooked On Law Enforcement When... I got my first confession from a suspect.
Achievements: Promotion to senior investigator in the New York State Police and managing a field unit of BCI investigators.

Lawretta Ononye
Assistant Professor, Alternative and Renewable Energy Systems
Ph.D. University of Tennessee
HOMETOWN: Nigeria, Africa
Teaching Style: My teaching style is based on two essential components: motivate students and guide them to learn. I organize and present the material in a way that makes it easily absorbed and interesting to the students. My teaching style combines the use of visual presentation, demonstration, and interactive activity.

Michael J. Newtown, P.E. ’84
Assistant Professor and Department Chair, Energy and Environment
M.S. Clarkson University
HOMETOWN: Ogdensburg, New York
Favorite Gadget: Wind velocity meter and Psychrometer
Top Achievement: Winning and participating with Dr. Arthur Hurlbut ’65 in a $250,000 grant.
Teaching Style: I like to show hands-on stuff that relates the equations and theory.
The Book About My Life Would Be Called: The Green Engineer
Top Achievement: Winning a $250,000 grant with Dr. Arthur Hurlbut ’65.

Daniel Gagliardi
Assistant Professor of Mathematics
Ph.D., North Carolina State University
HOMETOWN: Ossining, New York
Teaching Style: I think of myself more as a coach than a lecturer, so my classes are kind of like a workout. It is fun and rewarding to see my students engaged in the learning process. I like to show them how much fun (and useful) math is in the hopes of igniting their interest in the subject.
Philosophy: Try to make decisions you will not regret.
The SUNY Canton Kangaroos began competing in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) this fall and experienced remarkable success. Thirteen fall student-athletes were named to All-Conference teams in their respective sports. Among the other achievements:

**Women’s Soccer**
- Sunrise Conference Tournament Champions
- Undefeated in regular season Conference play
- Travelled to Daytona Beach, Florida to compete in the NAIA nationals at Embry-Riddle University

**Men’s Soccer**
- 10 wins and 2 losses during regular season conference play
- Runners-up at the Conference Championships

**Coaches of the Year**
- Mary Helak – Volleyball
- Chris Marquart – Women’s Cross Country
- Bruce Tallon and Missy West – Women’s Basketball

**Volleyball**
- Sunrise Conference Tournament Champions
- Undefeated in regular season Conference play
- Travelled to Columbia College in Missouri to compete in the NAIA nationals
Cross Country
• The debut of men’s and women’s cross country saw the women’s team capture the Sunrise Conference Team Championship.
• Leslie Wilson (Rensselaer Falls) was named the Sunrise Conference Runner of the Year.
• Ryan Madigan (Scotia) and Katie Ordway (North Creek) were selected as Conference Rookies of the Year.
• The women’s team and individual men’s runners qualified for the NAIA District Meet at Walsh University in North Canton, Ohio.

Women’s Basketball
• Regular Season Conference Champions.
• Sophomore Lauren Ploof (Hammond) and freshman Shannon LaFave (Ogdensburg) were both named all-conference.

Men’s Basketball
• Sunrise Conference Team Sportsmanship Award.
• Freshman Byron Jones (Glenarden, Md.) was named Conference Rookie of the Year and all-conference Second Team.

Construction of the new Convocation and Athletic Center is set to begin this spring.
On Your Mark

More than 100 runners and walkers turned out for the 9th Annual Nicole E. Fleury Memorial Scholarship 5K this year. Proceeds from the race help finance the Nicole Fleury Leadership Award, given annually to a second-year female student-athlete who has exhibited outstanding leadership, character, and dedication to her team and academics. The award was given to Kerri Gilmour ’08, a Veterinary Science Technology major from Ogdensburg.
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Criminal Justice
HOMETOWN: Malone

SCHOLARSHIP: Mater Dei Foundation Scholarship

Mr. DREAMS: Become a Lawyer.

FAVORITE PROFESSOR: Lisa Colbert, Criminal Justice Instructor.

ACTIVITIES: Basketball

WHY SUNY CANTON?: I came here for the Criminal Justice program and basketball.

FREE TIME: Sports, movies, and shopping.

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Savanna Reddick ‘08
Business Administration
HOMETOWN: Gouverneur
SCHOLARSHIP: Alice Westaway Bagley Scholarship
My Dream: I hope to open my own bakery.
I’m Inspired By: Art, poetry, food, love, my friends, and family.
FAVORITE PROFESSOR: Peggy Jenkins, Assistant Professor of Accounting.
My Parents Would Be Surprised To Know: That I’m happy with my choices.

Byron Jones ’11
Liberal Arts and Sciences: General Studies
HOMETOWN: Glenarden, MD.
SCHOLARSHIP: Grasse River Scholarship
My Dream: To be a college basketball coach.
I’m Inspired By: My grandmother and my father.
FAVORITE PROFESSORS: Thomas Windt, Professor (Emeritus) of English, and Patrick Hamilton, Assistant Professor of Business.
FAVORITE WEBSITE: YouTube
My Parents Would Be Surprised To Know: That I actually study.
ACTIVITIES OR CLUBS: Basketball and the Student Athlete Advisory Committee.
WHY SUNY CANTON: Academics, great location, and the four-year basketball program.

William F. Mason 77
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Morgan ‘76
Liberal Arts and Sciences: General Studies
my dream:
That I’m happy
I hope to open my own
bakeery.

Jesse E. Swift

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Nathan Besaw '09

Business Administration

Hometown: Massena

Scholarship: George and Eileen Fay Scholarship

My Dream: Start a great career after college.

I'm Inspired By: My Parents. They keep me going and want me to succeed.

Favorite Professor: Dan Fay, Professor of Accounting.

My Parents Would Be Surprised To Know: That I miss being home all the time and hanging out with them.

Activities or Clubs: Baseball.
Laughing Singing, Painting, Dancing

You could hear the laughter far down the hallway from the Kingston Theater last semester, and you could hear the roaring students down the street from the Canton Pavilion in the spring. Both events, a nationally renowned comedian and a sold out rock concert, were part of the remarkably successful year of student activities in 2007.

Alumnus and comedian Joey Gay returned to SUNY Canton for the first time since 1989, not to take classes or join in a festive reunion, but rather to entertain students. Gay is a comedian and actor from Brooklyn who attended SUNY Canton. While he was a student, he was known for his quick wit and popular WATC campus radio show. Now he’s a regular at New York comedy hotspots such as Caroline’s on Broadway, Comedy Village, Laugh Factory, and Catch a Rising Star. As an actor, he has appeared on NBC’s “Law & Order”, “Law & Order: Special Victims Unit” and “Deadline.”

Much of his material was retooled specifically for his visit back to SUNY Canton, with comical stories of stealing food from Chaney Dining Center and the general craziness surrounding his life on campus. Gay’s recent success includes a network appearance as a finalist on NBC’s Last Comic Standing.

Gay’s gut-busting performance was preceded by last spring’s ear-blasting Breaking Benjamin concert. Students provided a steady mind-rattling chant of “Ben-ja-min,” accompanied by stomping feet and clapping hands, until the lead singer took the stage. The Pavilion appeared to be bouncing as the crowd rocked to the live versions of the band’s well-known hits.

Both events were hosted by the College’s Student Activities Office. According to Scott Quinell, Director of Student Activities, “I work closely with the governing student bodies to bring their chosen events to campus.”

Other specialty acts included a campus visit by Atom, the world’s fastest painter, and a performance by Native American Dancer Larry Yazzie, and many others. These events come in addition to annual traditions like the Fall and Spring Festivals.
Alumni Business Spotlight

A 57 percent increase in sales from 2006 to 2007 led Alumnus Kip E. Blanchard '92 to become the 2007 New York State Auctioneer of the Year.

The Award: Blanchard was presented an award from the New York State Auctioneers Association after a year that saw him sell items in Wisconsin, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and all across New York.

The Business: Blanchard’s auction house is located in Potsdam, but he travels extensively. He’s associated with a number of the foremost auction agencies in the nation and cites his colleagues and professional partnerships as a source of success.

The Philosophy: Blanchard was recognized with the award in part because of his growing business connections and client list. He said, “The best way to succeed is to align yourself with leaders in the industry, and use them as role models.”

After Canton: In 1993, after leaving SUNY Canton, Blanchard went to auction school in Missouri and later completed a three-year program with the Certified Auctioneers Institute at Indiana University.

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Thank You: Blanchard volunteered as the auctioneer at SUNY Canton’s 2006 Centennial Gala, which generated more than $45,000 in revenue for scholarships.