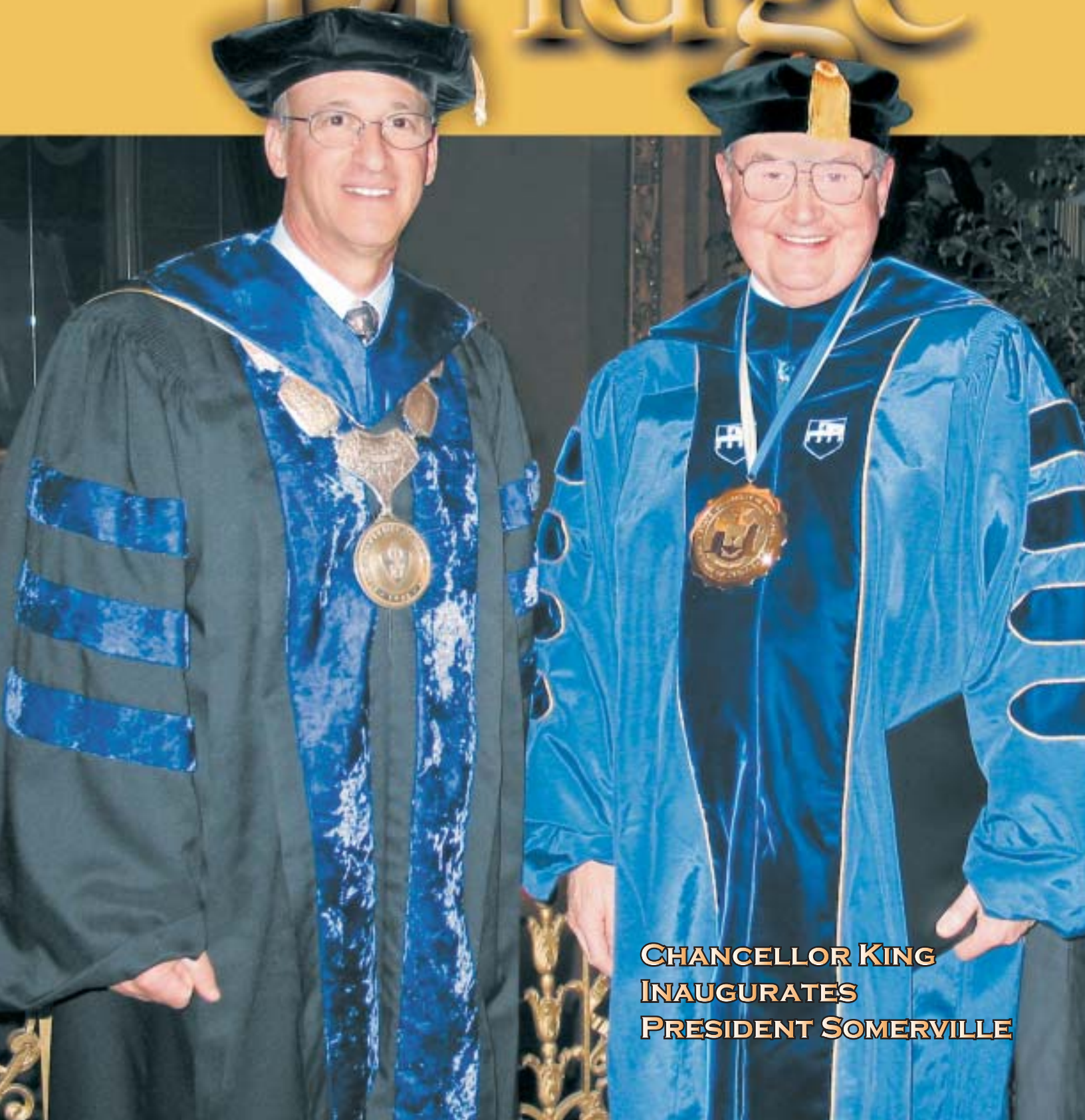




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PRESIDENT SOMERVILLE**

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# SUNYIT Inaugurates President Somerville

State University of New York Chancellor Robert L. King conducted the investiture ceremony as SUNY Institute of Technology celebrated the formal inauguration of its fourth president, Dr. Mason H. Somerville, Friday, April 25, in a public ceremony at Utica's Stanley Performing Arts Center. "To lead an institution takes enormous work and the integration of that work by its leader," King said. "We all share a common interest in the future of our students, the community, and the state. Under your leadership this institution will continue that dedication."

In keeping with academic tradition, the ceremony included a formal procession,

greetings from elected officials and other dignitaries, the investiture of office ceremony, and President Somerville's inaugural address. Participants dressed in academic regalia included representatives of dozens of colleges and universities from across the nation.

In his inaugural address, Dr. Somerville expressed his gratitude to those who participated, from the members of the SUNYIT family to the more than 40 colleges and universities that sent delegates to the ceremony. "I am deeply honored to be your president," Dr. Somerville told the gathering. "I look forward to the expansion of our graduate and undergraduate programs, and the

continued development of our partnerships with other institutions."

Dr. Somerville was appointed by the State University of New York Board of Trustees on May 21, 2002, and assumed the duties of President on July 1, 2002. Prior to his appointment, he served as Dean of the College of Engineering and Technology at Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, and was Dean of the College of Engineering and Professor of Mechanical Engineering at Texas Tech University.

Dr. Somerville earned a Doctorate in Mechanical Engineering from Pennsylvania State University, a Master of Science in Mechanical Engi-

neering at Northeastern University, and a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute. A Registered Professional Engineer in the states of North Dakota, Arkansas, and Texas, he is a member of four national professional and academic engineering societies, including the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME).

The installation ceremony was the central event of Inauguration Week, which included academic lectures, concerts, and other events at SUNYIT.

## Inauguration Address

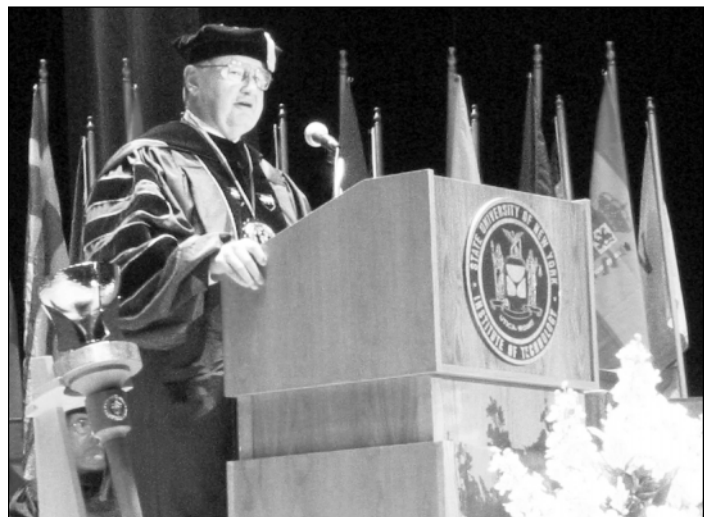
April 25, 2003

**T**hank you, Chancellor King, for your kind words and for the confidence you, the members of the SUNY Board of Trustees, and the members of the College Council have expressed in me. Senator Meier, Assemblywoman Destito, Assemblyman Townsend, Assemblyman Butler, Professor Dussault, Mr. Nonemaker, Mr. Stackler, President Dubner, Mayor Griffo, and Mayor Julian, I thank you each for your introduction. It is an academic tradition that colleges and university presidents send representatives to the inauguration of a colleague. Today, it is my honor and pleasure to welcome fellow colleagues from some 40 institutions.

It is my personal privilege to stand before you in this role; but,

I sincerely hope we can agree that this pomp and ceremony honors SUNYIT more than it celebrates my inauguration. For this reason, I must begin by thanking the members of the Inauguration Committee chaired by Mr. Anthony Panebianco and his staff for the excellent job they have done in organizing this week's events. I also recognize those individual members of the SUNYIT family who participated in the events throughout the week.

I recognize and deeply appreciate the members of my family who are here today to celebrate. Special recognition goes to my mother, Mrs. Eleanor Ruth Somerville, from Bradenton, Florida, who, like one of her daughters and son, dedicated her life to education. My Dad, who



*President Somerville delivers his Inauguration Address at the Stanley Performing Arts Center.*

passed away in 1980, was also a strong supporter of education. My son, Mark, is here representing Olin College of Engineering where

he is a Professor of Electrical Engineering, and my oldest daughter Meredith Catalini joins us from Santa Barbara, California. My

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# Alumni Spotlight

By Ellen Portnoy

Mary Fischer is a proud SUNYIT alumna. Twice.

Like many alumni, Fischer received both a bachelor's degree (B.S. in Computer Science, 1988) and a master's degree (M.S. in Health Services Administration, 2001) from SUNYIT. Her path from the first degree to the second led her in some unexpected directions, including her role as a published health care researcher.

After learning about SUNYIT's health services degree programs from a colleague in 1998, Fischer decided to begin working toward a master's degree in Health Services Administration. Then, as now, she worked as a Practice Manager for a multidisciplinary mental health practice in Utica, N.Y. She registered for three intensive, five-week courses in finance, accounting and economics and earned a 4.0 grade point average. The challenging program "sparked a real desire to learn," Fischer says. As she continued in the program, she was able to apply much of what she learned to her work as a practice manager.

In the fall of 2000, Fischer enrolled in health policy, taught by Dr. Sarah Laditka, associate professor and director of SUNYIT's Center for Health and Aging. Fischer took three more courses with Laditka: health economics, quantitative methods and the Capstone course in health services administration environments and strategies. That fall, Laditka asked Fischer to become a research assistant. To Laditka, Fischer was an ideal

candidate. "She's very smart, very creative, very personable. She works well independently. She's a pleasure to work with and be with," Laditka says.

That year, professor and student began a productive partnership. As a paid research assistant, Fischer performed various tasks for the Center for Health and Aging: updating the Web site, contributing to a newsletter, securing speakers, and writing articles. Started by Laditka in 1998, the Center enhances the research environment for SUNYIT faculty and students and develops community-based partnerships to address health and aging issues.

With Laditka, Fischer began an ambitious research project: to assess physician training in home care. Working with two physicians and an administrator at the St. Elizabeth Family Medicine Residency Program, Laditka and Fischer developed a survey for Family Medicine residents. Fischer and other SUNYIT graduate students used the survey to conduct in-depth interviews with all 26 residents. The data were analyzed and the results were used to write an article in collaboration with three Residency Program personnel.

The article, "There's No Place Like Home: Evaluating Family Medicine Residents' Training in Home Care" was presented by Fischer in fall 2001 at the State Society on Aging's annual conference in Albany, and was published in the peer-reviewed journal "Home Health Care Services Quarterly" in fall 2002. What was it like to be published? "Except when my children were born, I was never



*SUNYIT alumna Mary Fischer in her Utica office.*

more excited," Fischer recalls.

Using additional data collected from the interviews, Fischer and Laditka wrote a second research paper, again collaborating with Residency Program personnel. Fischer presented the paper, "Geriatric Education and Attitudes in Family Medicine Residency: Elder Abuse, End-of-Life Preparedness and Training," at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA), in Chicago in November 2001. Attending the meeting, Fischer says, was an incredible experience; she spent four days in the company of other researchers, many of them world-renowned in their field. The paper was recently published in "Gerontology and Geriatrics Education."

Although she received her master's degree in December 2001, Fischer's connection with SUNYIT continues. She is now a Visiting Scholar of the Center for Health and Aging, and has

collaborated with Laditka on two additional research projects. This fall she will begin teaching a course for the Health Services Management Program at SUNYIT, "Health Care Delivery in the United States"; twice an alum, then a published researcher, now a teacher who will share what she learned at SUNYIT with students at SUNYIT.

# SUNYIT Dedicates Peter J. Cayan Library

Dozens of dignitaries and hundreds of well-wishers celebrated the official dedication of SUNYIT's newest state-of-the-art building May 2: the Peter J. Cayan Library. SUNYIT President Dr. Mason H. Somerville, Congressman Sherwood Boehlert, and President Emeritus Dr. Peter J. Cayan were among those taking part in a dedication ceremony in Kunsela Lecture Hall. A ribbon-cutting and reception followed in the Library. Work on the \$14 million dollar project was completed early this year, and the transfer of the library collection of nearly 200,000 books and other

materials from the former library wing of Kunsela Hall to the new building took place in March.

Designed by The Thomas Group of Ithaca, N.Y., and built by Murnane Construction, a Utica company, the Peter J. Cayan Library is a two-story building comprising 68,000 square feet. The building features a jewel-like vestibule entranceway that reflects light during the day and highlights the space and building interior at night. The exterior of the building is brick, with accents and glazing. The division of exterior windows reflects the influence of Frank Lloyd Wright, with exterior and interior glazed areas divided into patterns that include clear and opaque glass.

Inside, the Cayan Library exhibits a traditional layout with circulation services on one side of the first floor and reference services on the other. A café is located near the main entrance. Collections are available on the side and rear portions of the first floor and on much of the second floor, which also features a comput-

erized bibliographic instruction room. Various size study rooms for group interaction, personal study tables, and lounge furniture are located adjacent to and in the collections area. At opposite ends of the second floor are a reading room with a fireplace, and a study room that provides a view of the Utica skyline and the Mohawk Valley.

Dr. Peter J. Cayan served as president of SUNY Institute of Technology from 1982-2002. He presided over the construction of SUNY's newest campus and led SUNYIT as it began the transition from upper-division to four-year status.



*SUNYIT President Emeritus Peter J. Cayan cuts the ribbon at the main entrance to the Cayan Library as Mrs. Jeri Cayan, Congressman Sherwood Boehlert, and College Council President Jim Brock, Jr. look on.*

# Faculty Member Touched Many Lives

They all remember Al Mario.

“When I was a 13-year-old paperboy in Whitesboro, he was one of my customers,” says Robert Orilio, associate professor finance. “He was a fixture in the village of Whitesboro for many years, just the type of guy who would do anything for you.”

“Al expected his students and his employees to work hard and he set high standards for them,” says Assemblywoman RoAnn Destito of Rome. “He was one of the hardest working professors I have ever known.”

“Some people make a difference in the lives of others and Al Mario was one of them,” says Dr. Ron Sarnier, executive vice president for academic affairs. “He was a true gentleman and

professional experience ranged from Utica’s Brunner Manufacturing Co., to management trainer with the Rome Air Development Center (RADC). His academic career began at Utica College, where his role as an adjunct teaching courses in economics and finance spanned 20 years. But it was “retirement” that brought him to SUNYIT.

After a successful career at RADC he retired from the position of Deputy Director of the Center’s Procurement Division and accepted an assistant professor position at SUNYIT; he taught finance and business management courses. In addition, he founded and developed the school’s Management Assistance Center which incorporated such units and services as the Small Business Development Center, executive man-



*Robert Orilio, associate professor of finance, and Albert B. “Al” Mario, professor emeritus.*

into contact with him.”

In addition to securing many grants and contracts for SUNYIT, he had a gift for networking that did a lot to spread the word about what was then a brand-new SUNY campus. “In terms of making us known in the business community locally and regionally he was key,” says Orilio. “He had enough contacts out there that he spread the word. He always told me that he saw great potential for this place; he saw public education as a real opportunity.”

In addition to his professional and academic achievements, including a master’s degree from Syracuse University and a bachelor’s degree from Utica College, Al Mario was the recipient of many awards and honors. Among them, UC’s Outstanding Alumnus Award presented in 1992 and a combined award from SUNYIT and the local union chapter in 1997. His wife of 36

years, Rita, was a constant companion and best friend.

In addition to a thriving Small Business Development Center at SUNYIT, his legacy can be measured in the many alumni and colleagues whose lives he touched.

“He had a really unique relationship with students,” says Orilio. “He was always there for the students and he always stayed in touch with graduates; he was always willing to give them a helping hand.” Sarnier agrees; he says Mario was a “consummate professional” who was devoted to his students. “Al took teaching and his students very seriously,” says Sarnier. “He cared passionately about teaching and invested his wisdom, time, and talent, to ensure that his students received the best possible educational experience.”

“I appreciated everything I learned from Al, from the time I was his paperboy,” Orilio says. “His work ethic inspired me.”

“Some people make a difference in the lives of others and Al Mario was one of them.”

*Dr. Ron Sarnier, executive vice president for academic affairs*

we miss him dearly.”

Albert B. “Al” Mario, SUNYIT professor emeritus, died April 17, 2003 at St. Luke’s Memorial Hospital Center. But his legacy is evident in the continued success of the many institutions, programs, and people he touched.

Born in Utica and a graduate of Proctor High School, he was a veteran of World War II and the Korean War. His pro-

agement seminars, and the Entrepreneurial Education Resource Center.

Destito’s first job after graduating from college was on the staff at SBDC. “Al was a kind, compassionate family man who taught his students and his employees by example,” Destito says. “He was also a true entrepreneurial spirit, and he shared his enthusiasm with everyone who came

# Graduates, Families Celebrate at 2003 Commencement

More than 400 graduates received undergraduate and graduate degrees at SUNYIT's 29th annual spring Commencement. The event was held Saturday, May 10, at the historic Stanley Performing Arts Center in Utica, N.Y. Sister Rose Vincent Gleason, President and Chief Executive Officer of Utica's St. Elizabeth Medical Center, delivered the Commencement address and received the SUNYIT Distinguished Service Award.

Commencement weekend began with the annual Academic Awards Banquet in the Campus Center gymnasium on the evening of May 9. Graduates were honored for academic achievement; the event was attended by 500 students, family members, faculty, and staff.

On the morning of May 10, President Mason H. Somerville led the procession into the Stanley to the accompaniment of bagpipes and drums –

courtesy of the Mohawk Valley Frasers. "I encourage you to pursue your dreams," President Somerville told graduates. "This will allow you to capture the energy, vision, and dedication necessary to be successful. It is excellence that is at the core of success...I congratulate you for your work."

SUNYIT College Council Chair Jim Brock, Jr., presented the Distinguished Service Award to Sister Rose Vincent Gleason. "As a hospital CEO, Sister Rose Vincent has taken bold steps to bring quality health care to our region. Under her leadership for more than three decades, St. Elizabeth Medical Center has made dramatic strides to help bring quality care to the area," Brock said. "She has worked her whole adult life at St. Elizabeth. But 'administrator' is only one dimension of this dynamic woman; she is a respected and loved community leader." Sister Rose Vincent accepted the award on behalf of the "many people at St. Elizabeth who work together to make good things happen for the people of the community."

In her address to graduates, Sister Rose Vincent provided a guidebook for life entitled "11 Habits for a Happy Life." Among the 11: service to God, family, job, country, and community. "Embrace the spirit of excellence," she told the Class of 2003. "Make a habit of doing your best, no matter what you are doing...never be satisfied, keep stretching your mind, body, and soul." (See Commencement Address, p. 7)

Also at Commencement, President Somerville presented the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities to Dr. David Hakken. Dr. Hakken is a professor of sociology and anthropology in the School of Arts and Sciences. The award is presented to faculty nominees at SUNY campuses who demonstrate "...sound scholarship and creative productivity...an excellent, sustained record of research publications [and] ...participation in national and/or international conferences." Dr. Hakken has been a member of the SUNYIT faculty since 1978. His recently published book "Cyborgs@Cyberspace?: An Ethnographer Looks to the Future" was highlighted in a January article in "The Chronicle of Higher Education." His new book, "The Knowledge Landscapes of Cyberspace," will be published this year by Routledge, one of the world's leading publishers of academic books.

Commencement was followed by a reception for graduates and their guests in the SUNYIT Campus Center.



*Four members of the Class of 2003 pause for a photo in the Stanley Performing Arts Center lobby.*

# 2003 Commencement Address

## Eleven Habits For a Happy Life

First and foremost, service to God. You may need to find him before you can serve him. Look within yourself honestly. Somewhere, in that wonderful cluster of cells and spirit which is you, there exists the essence of God. He is there, working daily with you. If you align your will to his, your life will be fruitful and absolutely wondrous.

Your spiritual life keeps you whole. It's the glue that pulls all things together. If you don't have a spiritual focus, find one. From my personal experience, you'll often find God in others. Perhaps it will be through your church, synagogue, temple, mosque or in some other small corner of his glorious world. Once you have found him, serve him and love him-for he will never let you down. And if you put him first, you can never let him down for he knows you; he knows your weaknesses and strengths. After all, he has given them to you in just the right proportions – just enough to give you your uniqueness and your purpose.

By acknowledging God and remembering to serve him, you can be certain that you'll be better able to keep yourself in perspective – just the right amount of pride in your accomplishments tempered by a generous helping of humility.

The second habit of a happy life is service to family. Your spouse, parents, your brothers and sisters, perhaps grandparents, your aunts, uncles, cousins. Each and every one of them has helped to mold who you are – sometimes by their support and love, and other times by challenging your very being. You've experienced rivalries and jealousies within this intimate circle, and you've experienced the fullness of life.

If possible, put anger aside for the sake of family unity. When you empty yourself of anger, love will often fill the void. And, find time

to call or write a note to those dearest and closest to you.

When crisis strikes, find a way to be there – to hold a hand, to make a cup of coffee, to listen. As I tell my employees when a family crisis hits, you belong home. And, when a cause for celebration occurs, share your joy.

The third habit leading to a happy life is service to your job. Once God and family are taken care of, it's time to get practical. When you are hired, you have a job to do. When you're at work, be at work joyfully. Embrace the challenges as possibilities. Become a member of the team. Grow with the team. Succeed with the team.

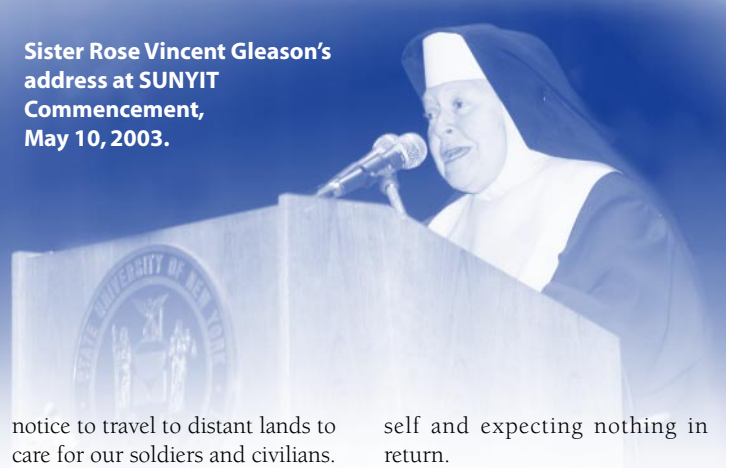
In some companies you may find a cut-throat environment – where people will do anything to make more money, to gain greater power. The world of work can be frightening and intimidating. It can strip you of your humanity. Don't let it happen to you. Even if you become the CEO or top manager, become a servant and you will reap rewards beyond your wildest imaginations.

The fourth habit for a happy life is service to country and community. You've heard the saying, "no man is an island." How true that is. We are all dependent on someone – often times it is someone we don't even know.

The men and women of our armed forces have been demonstrating that spirit of service – some of them having made the ultimate sacrifice. Their courage, determination, stamina, selflessness and focus stand as examples for all of us, especially in a world where terrorism and violence intimidate our lives.

We, at St. E's have a special and unique affinity with those who wear the uniform of their country. Army reserve nurses spend their drill weekends at the hospital to learn and hone critical care skills. They are prepared at a moment's

Sister Rose Vincent Gleason's address at SUNYIT Commencement, May 10, 2003.



notice to travel to distant lands to care for our soldiers and civilians.

And locally, everywhere you go, there are people serving others: the police officer who protects our streets and our homes, the farmer who produces our milk, the mechanic who repairs our cars, the doctor who cares for the ailing teacher who teaches your children. We are all somehow connected in a complicated, beautiful, interwoven tapestry. We all need each other-all dependent on services and products.

And then, there are some who are struggling more than others, who, because of a crisis, illness, or other circumstance, find themselves lost, alone, and struggling with only the generosity and kindness of others to hold them afloat.

I believe we have a major responsibility to them. Each and every one of us should be able to find one hour a week to do something for our community. Perhaps it's volunteering at a local agency-the Cosmopolitan Center, senior citizens centers, the Jewish Community Center, the Utica Rescue Mission, the Salvation Army, girls and boys clubs, the Red Cross, Catholic Charities, the food banks, the Lung Association, the Cancer Society, the Heart Association, Easter Seals, Boy scouts, Girl scouts, the YWCA, hospitals, schools... I could go on and on. The fact is, you belong somewhere. Somebody needs you. There are hundreds of friendships waiting to happen in our community and there are thousands of people who need a friend. It could be you. And, believe me, there is nothing more fulfilling and more liberating than giving of your

self and expecting nothing in return.

The fifth habit of a happy life is to work on your sense of humor. Enjoy a good, wholesome laugh. Be able to laugh at yourself. If you want to stay mentally healthy and strong, don't take yourself too seriously.

The sixth habit for a happy life is: wash your hands often. Your mother told you that, too, right? But, in this case, it's a health concern. It can keep you healthier and even keep you alive.

The seventh habit of a happy life is also something your mother taught you, but it bears repeating in a world that sometimes lacks civility — say thank you and mean it. How many times in the course of the day does someone do something for us? Or, maybe they're working hard. Or they have a contagious joyful attitude. Acknowledge their efforts and thank them for being such "a ray of sunshine," as one of my sister friends used to say. We pull out the best in people when we show how much we appreciate and respect their efforts - large and small.

The eighth habit of a happy life: relax and play. Your body, your mind, and your soul need time to renew and refresh. Make time to do nothing. Make it quiet time. Find a place of peace where your senses are gently heightened. Let the sights, smells and sounds of nature - not the noise of every day life - refresh you. There's a world out there worth discovering in the beauty of silence. While silence is necessary, so is play. Do the fun things with family and friends.

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# Inauguration Address continued from page 2



*Inauguration Week events included an art show and reception in the Cayan Library.*

other children are unable to attend due to work obligations or pending grandchildren. Finally, I recognize my best friend, my confidant, my partner and my love, Ann Somerville, SUNYIT's First Lady. Please join me in recognizing my family, the Inauguration Committee, our staff, and our guests.

Universities empower people and communities through the generation and dissemination of knowledge. And knowledge is arguably the most fundamental asset our society has. It is not an accident that every prominent country, state, and city has at its core excellent universities. To a large degree, American education owes its culture to the great universities of England. Two of the older ones are Oxford University, founded in 1201, and the University of Cambridge, which will soon celebrate 1,000 years of excellence in education. In preparing for this address, I came across an interesting story about Cambridge, and I quote:

".... in 1209, scholars taking refuge from hostile townsmen in Oxford migrated to Cambridge and settled there. They were numerous enough by 1226 to have set up an organisation, represented by an official called a Chancellor,

and seem to have arranged regular courses of study, taught by their own members. King Henry III took them under his protection as early as 1231 and arranged for them to be sheltered from exploitation by their landlords. At the same time he tried to ensure that they had a monopoly of teaching, by an order that only those enrolled under the tuition of a recognised master were to be allowed to remain in the town."<sup>1</sup>

As this quote illustrates, some things never change: faculty are still seeking refuge, we still have Chancellors, we need government protection (and money), the faculty still have control over the curriculum, we charge tuition, and we are still discussing who has the right to teach what.

But we must ask, why were scholars so important that they caught the attention of a King? I propose that the answer is simple. The work of scholars-individuals who teach and do research-is fundamental to the creation and transmission of ideas that ensures the continuous development of society. Academic freedom, the right and responsibility granted to scholars to research and publish, is at the core of academe's ability to hold our societal feet to the fire. Scholars force us to test the

hypotheses by which we all live our lives. Providing scholars with protected environments is fundamental to society's survival; a society that fails to embrace this idea typically has a short life.

Our forefathers understood this fact; they were, after all, products of the British educational system. The culture and benefits of their education survive today. Both are reflected in our constitution and in our Universities. However, The Morrill Act of 1862 separates us from the British culture of our educational heritage, especially in the following three areas:

- National importance
- Combining liberal and professional education
- Education of a much broader section of the society<sup>2</sup>

It is the Morrill Act of 1862 that first recognized the need to broaden the curricula content and ensure access to higher education for a larger number of citizens. The Act, in essence, defined the expanded role of the public university. By combining liberal and practical education, the mission of the public university was differentiated from that of the private institu-

tions.

There are other similarities between the academies of 1209 and 2003. Most notable is the idea of curricula – courses of study – taught by “their own members.” I wonder, were the scholars who fled to Cambridge fleeing their colleagues in Oxford? Faculty control of the curriculum, its content, and discussion about who teaches the courses are still with us today. Faculty ownership is the equivalent to the branding of a product, thereby ensuring its quality to potential customers.

In the early 1960s, Governor Rockefeller recognized the value of public education to the people of the State of New York. Just as the Morrill Act recognized nationally a need for technology transfer, the Governor recognized the critical need for access to higher education. Today's State University of New York is evidence that his ideas were sound. Several states have taken their land grant universities and built them into state-wide organizations educating tens of thousands of students annually. The State University of New York is a flagship among these institutions.

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*Mrs. Ann Somerville threw the ceremonial first pitch at an Inauguration Week Wild-cats softball game.*



*President Somerville sings at the Inaugural Musical Revue, "Let's Celebrate," in Kunsela Lecture Hall.*

We recognize that the value of a student's education is more than just a job after graduation. Unquestionably, the education an individual receives is of personal value. But, more importantly, the education one receives is fundamental to the continued development of new knowledge in our society.

All of us who have dedicated ourselves to public higher education recognize its value to society. Over the last fifty years, there has been a steady national decline in state support for higher education. It is now commonplace throughout the nation to offset decreased state funding of public higher education institutions with increases in tuition. Although subtle, this tradeoff implies that it is the individual who is the primary beneficiary of the education, rather than the society. I must ask, have we lost the understanding of the real reason why we have public higher education, namely, the continued maintenance and development of our democratic society.

Ironically, and in spite of the fifty year decline in state support of higher education, our country continues to provide educational services to students throughout the world. SUNY and SUNYIT are important players in this effort. The flags behind me represent the

countries of SUNYIT students. Indeed, many of us believe that education is our best long term hope for a modicum of civility in our complex and politically challenging world.

The Morrill Act recognized knowledge as the fundamental driver in the development of the society. It is no accident that academic research plays a key role in the development of knowledge. Research is the primary source of new knowledge. Today it is difficult to maintain a local economy based upon high technology companies, without a local university to support those companies. Just as Governor Rockefeller envisioned a public university no further than two hours from any student, it is now necessary for high tech companies to have ready access to Ph.D. educated individuals. This is especially true of startup companies where new ideas are often developed and the internal support mechanism found in established companies is usually absent. The development of our society's intellectual capital now requires that our public higher educational institutions find a way to deliver research and educational services well outside of the University's doors.

Many of the Central New York leaders who played a role in the creation of SUNYIT still live and work here in the Mohawk Valley. For the last four decades they have struggled and fought for a four-year public university in our area. The SUNYIT faculty and staff, as well as our students and graduates, have also fought this battle, and the battle has been won. SUNYIT's success is due to the creativity, resilience, intellect, excellent work, and persistence of its faculty, administrators, and alumni.

The leaders in the Mohawk Valley know that Governor Pataki's vision of a high tech corridor be-

tween Buffalo and Albany can only become a reality if SUNYIT, the area's only public four-year institution, specifically fulfills the vision of the Morrill Act. To do so, we must expand our graduate and undergraduate programs. The addition of tier one and tier two entering freshmen for this fall is the first step along this road. We also recognize that partnerships with our SUNY University colleagues are critical. We also must continue to accept qualified students at all levels, freshman and higher. Just as in the past, we will face and overcome our challenges.

So, my hat is off to King Henry III, the authors of the Morrill Act, Governor Rockefeller, Chancellor King, and other visionaries. They understood the connection between scholars, the power of ideas, and the central role higher education plays in our society. To our

leaders, let us initiate the discussion of the fundamental value of public higher education to our society as opposed to the individual. And to my SUNYIT colleagues and friends in the Mohawk Valley, let us develop the University needed to support the long-term economic vitality of the companies we attract to Central New York. Doing so will ensure that our children and our children's children will have a bright future.

Finally, I am honored to be your President. I look forward to working with each of you as we define, expand, and develop SUNYIT for the next generation.


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*Dr. Heather Dussault, assistant professor of electrical engineering and Inaugural Egg Drop Coordinator, takes the measure of a winning entry.*

# Fall Fest



## October 3 - 4

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*Cost: \$10 per person  
\$20 per couple  
\$25 per family*

### *Fall Fest Schedule*

#### *Friday, October 3*

Noon - 6 p.m.	Alumni/Family Golf with Lunch*	Valley View Country Club
8 - 10 p.m.	Talent Nite	Kunsela Auditorium

#### *Saturday, October 4*

8:15 - 9 a.m.	Alumni Board Meeting	Campus Life Conference Rm.
9 - 11 a.m.	Presidents' Scholarship Recognition Brunch	Campus Center Gym ( <i>All Welcome</i> )
9:30 - 11 a.m.	Alumni Soccer (Co-ed)	Practice Field
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Women's Varsity Soccer vs. Plattsburgh	Soccer Field
11 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Family Entertainment/Carnival	Campus Center
	Pool Party	Campus Center Pool
Noon - 2 p.m.	Alumni Baseball	Baseball Field
Noon - 2 p.m.	Alumni Lacrosse	Practice Field
Noon - 2 p.m.	Alumni Softball	Softball Field
2 - 4 p.m.	Men's Varsity Soccer vs. Fredonia	Soccer Field
5:30 - 8 p.m.	Fall Fest Feast	Campus Center
	Includes Alumni and Hall of Fame Awards	
8 - 8:45 p.m.	Bonfire	Campus Center Lawn
9 p.m. - Midnight	Casino Night/Entertainment	Campus Center

#### *Notes:*

- Schedule subject to change
- You may check online, [www.sunyit.edu](http://www.sunyit.edu), for updates to schedule
- For additional information contact Jeff Schneider in the College Relations & Development Office at (315) 792-7113 or [schnej@sunyit.edu](mailto:schnej@sunyit.edu)

\*Additional charge for Alumni/Family Golf with Lunch

# Fall Fest 2003

Fall Fest weekend is right around the corner, October 3 - 4, 2003. This year we celebrate the arrival of freshmen on campus. We have many events planned for alumni, parents, students, faculty and staff during Fall Fest. We hope you'll join us!

## How do you register?

Please check the events you wish to attend, enclose your check made payable to the **College Association** and return the form to College Relations and Development Office, SUNY Institute of Technology, P.O. Box 3050, Utica, NY 13504-3050. Registration fee is \$10 per person, \$20 per couple or \$25 per family.

This is a great opportunity for those of you who haven't been back to visit lately. There are so many exciting changes going on around campus now. Come and experience them for yourself.

Go and visit all your old favorite hangouts. Information will be available for the following attractions:

- Baseball Hall of Fame
- Adirondack Scenic Railroad
- Boxing Hall of Fame
- Turning Stone Casino
- Utica Zoo

## Fall Fest "Talent Nite" Returns!

Current students, parents, faculty, staff, alumni, and MVILR members are eligible to take part in "Talent Nite 2003," Friday, October 3, 8 p.m., in Kunsela Hall auditorium. Performers will compete for a \$500 first prize, a \$250 second prize, and a \$125 third prize.\*

To enter, fill out the form below and send it to the address on the form. Entries must be received by 4:30 p.m., Friday, September 19. Questions? Call 792-7113 for more information.

## Registration Form Fall Fest 2003

I will be attending Fall Fest 2003 as an/a: (check one)

- Alumnus**     **Faculty/Staff**     **Parent**     **Student**  
 **Other** \_\_\_\_\_ (please specify)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of guest(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: Home ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Work ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

**A limited number of seats are available for some events. Please indicate events you wish to attend and number attending.**

Number Attending Events:

- \_\_\_\_ Alumni/Family Golf (additional fee)  
 \_\_\_\_ Talent Nite 2003  
 \_\_\_\_ Presidents' Scholarship Recognition Brunch  
 \_\_\_\_ Fall Fest Feast  
 \_\_\_\_ Casino Night

**Registration fee: \$10 per person; \$20 per couple; \$25 per family; free for SUNYIT students**

**Total amount enclosed:**                    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please register by Sept. 19, 2003**

**Charge Authorization:**     **VISA**     **MasterCard**

**Card #** \_\_\_\_\_                    **Exp. Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Authorization Signature & Date** \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to the **College Association**

## SUNYIT Talent Nite 2003 Entry Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Type of performance:  musical  dance  comedy  
 other \_\_\_\_\_

Number of performers: \_\_\_\_\_ Describe your performance: \_\_\_\_\_

I am a SUNYIT:  student  parent  faculty/staff  
 alumnus  other \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this entry form to the College Relations and Development Office (Kunsela Hall, Room A231) or mail to:

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 College Relations and Development Office  
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\* no professional entertainers please

### ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY 4:30 P.M. ON FRIDAY, SEPT. 19

Twenty entries will be randomly selected. All entrants will be notified in writing on or before Sept. 26, whether or not they have been selected to perform in the show.

**Additional Entry Forms** are available in the College Relations and Development Office (Kunsela Hall, Room A231) or by calling 792-7113.

# Career Services Corner

by Dr. Thomas Matthews  
Director of Career Services

## Career Services Wins State-wide Award

Career Services received the Award for Excellence in Programming from the State University of New York Career Development Organization (SUNYCDO). The award recognizes the development and implementation of new and innovative programming among career services professionals within the SUNY system. Career Services won the award for the PRO (Professionals Reaching Out) Tour which was held during the spring 2003 semester. The PRO Tour was designed to facilitate student/alumni and employer interaction and highlight career exploration, job search strategies, and full-time, part-time, summer, and internship opportunities.

## Upcoming SUNYIT Career Fair

The annual SUNYIT Career Fair will be held on Thursday, October 9, in the Campus

Center, 12:30 - 5 p.m. Employers in attendance, largely from Central New York and the Mohawk Valley, will represent a variety of industries including health care, education, information technology, financial services, state and federal governments, and engineering technology. For more information on the types of employers to be represented and the skills and majors for which they are recruiting, visit the Career Services Web site: [www.sunyit.edu/saf/career\\_services](http://www.sunyit.edu/saf/career_services).

## Career Services Unveils New Web Site

Career Services has unveiled a new Web site currently available to students, alumni, and employers. The new site was designed to be more dynamic and user-friendly and to provide links to the most commonly used and recommended career-related Web sites on the Internet. All of the Career Services publications and

newsletters have been added and easier access to the e-Recruiting site has been provided. We welcome your suggestions and feedback as we continue to upgrade our site.

## Top Employers, Majors, and Salaries

The National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) frequently collects data on employer types, academic majors, and salary. Listed below are the top five entries in each category according to the NACE Winter 2003 Salary Survey report.

The top 5 employers extending offers to recent graduates are (average starting salary offer): accounting services, \$42,179; educational services, \$29,720; engineering services, \$45,206; government/federal, \$37,378; and building, developing, and general contracting, \$43,212.

The top five majors (by number of offers extended) are (average starting salary offer): accounting, \$42,005; mechanical engineering technology, \$48,115; economics/finance, \$40,413; business administration/management, \$36,634; and marketing, \$35,698.

The top five highest-paying employer types (by salaries offered) are: (average starting salary offer): petroleum & coal products, \$52,588; engineering services, \$45,206; building, developing, and general contracting, \$43,212; accounting services, \$42,179; and government/federal, \$37,378.

## St. E's CEO Addresses Class of 2003 *continued from page 7*

Run. Walk. Play ball. Get your body moving, cleanse it with play.

The ninth habit of a happy life is to listen and look. You may think now that you are graduates, you are done with formal learning. This is far from the truth. Every day, every moment, every hour is an opportunity to learn. The sharpest windows are your eyes and ears. They have served you well, introducing you to the world. Don't shut it out by voicing your opinion too often. On a more professional basis, listening helps keep the lines of communication open. It is the first step in conflict resolution; it is respectful and considerate of others. It is a tool to be

used often.

The tenth habit for a happy life is be present in the moment and to the moment. Have you ever caught yourself driving along and suddenly becoming aware that you don't remember how you got to where you are? I have, and it's not just because I'm older! We all do it. It's called daydreaming. It's called thinking about what you have to do next, so you don't realize what you are doing now.

Discipline your mind to slow down – to enjoy where you are, the people around you, why you are with them. Appreciate the smells, sounds, and beauty

around you. Let nature and life permeate your being. Become a part of the present and whatever you are doing – even at moments of crisis. Deal with it. Allow yourself to hurt. Embrace the pain and then let it go. It's good mental health.

And finally, the 11th habit of a happy life: embrace the spirit of excellence. Make a habit of doing your best, no matter what you are doing – whether it's serving God, family, job, or neighbor. Whether it's laughing or crying, washing your hands, relaxing or playing, listening or looking, do it all the best that you can. Never be satisfied, keep stretching your mind, body

and soul. And you'll find that you will leave this world a better, happier and safer place. You will have made all the difference.

*Editor's note: the complete text of Sister Rose Vincent Gleason's Commencement address is available online: [www.sunyit.edu/commencement](http://www.sunyit.edu/commencement)*

# Make the Dream Come Alive...

## By Educating the Next Generation

A high quality educational experience is an important stepping stone for success. As you have discovered since you joined the ranks of SUNYIT's 20,000 alumni, a college education helps people find the career and the life they love. Ultimately, it helps make a real difference – not only for individuals, but for their families, communities, and beyond.

Many of us attended college thanks to the generosity of others, in addition to our own hard

work. Today's challenging economic environment and continuing budget constraints present the SUNYIT family with unique opportunities and challenges. To continue to make a profound difference in the lives of new generations, we need your help. Your gift will mean critical support for students and faculty in several practical and visible ways, by:

- Providing scholarships to students
- Supporting a unique learning

environment among students and faculty

- Helping SUNYIT to attract world-class faculty
- Ensuring the creation of a well-rounded student experience

Many of you are parents; you understand the joy of helping your children to grow and thrive, and the satisfaction of building a family. In the same way, a gift to the SUNYIT Annual Fund is an investment in the SUNYIT family, and the future of the entire region, one that will empower our neighbors to do great things as we lay the foundation for a better world.

Help to make the dream come alive by welcoming hundreds of future alumni to our SUNYIT community – freshmen, upperclassmen and



*After development and alumni affairs experience at Drew University and a career in private banking at Merrill Lynch, JoAnn Keatz joined SUNYIT as Director of Development in May.*

graduate students – and by supporting them in their most important endeavor to date: a SUNYIT education.

*by JoAnn Keatz  
Director of Development*

*College Relations & Development Office*

## Sunday in SARATOGA® A Day at the Races

Join SUNYIT alumni and faculty for a day at the Saratoga Racetrack filled with fun and excitement!

### Sunday, August 17

**Special Guest: Dr. Heather Dussault**

*Assistant Professor, Electrical Engineering*

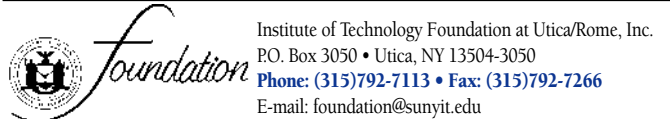
**10:30 a.m.** - Gates Open  
**11:30 a.m.** - SUNYIT Lunch  
at Paddock Tent  
**1 p.m.** - Post Time

RSVP to Mary Ann at (315) 792-7273 (MC/VISA only)  
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I have enclosed a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ payable to Institute of Technology Foundation.

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I hereby pledge to the Institute of Technology Foundation the sum of: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I intend to pay my pledge as follows:

semi-annually  quarterly  SUNYIT employee payroll deduction\*

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Must contact SUNYIT College Relations & Development office to sign payroll deduction form at (315)792-7113.

(please complete the back of this form)

# “Family-friendly” Wildcats

For the Wildcat intercollegiate athletics program at SUNYIT, it's all in the family.

The basketball season marked the arrival of Nick Grimmer, son of athletics director Kevin Grimmer. Nick earned All-SUNYAC honors in helping lead the men's basketball program to a 17-10 record and post-season participation in the SUNYAC and ECAC Championships.

In the spring of 2003, the SUNYIT softball team was dominated by DeCourseys. Third-year head coach Michelle – at 26, one of the youngest head coaches in the NCAA – recruited her younger sisters Katie and Erin to play for the Wildcats. The result was outstanding as the women's softball squad received their first post-season tournament invitation in SUNYIT history. (See

related article, at bottom of page.)

Sports are more than a lifestyle for the Herkimer, New York-based DeCoursey family. Michelle's parents are Carolyn and Bill, who is the long-time boys varsity baseball coach at Whitesboro High School. “It all starts with my dad,” says Michelle. “He's coached all of us.”

The love of sports and competition was instilled early and often to the talented DeCoursey kids. The results for Michelle speak volumes – SUNY Brockport Female Athlete of the Year (1997), two-time SUNY Brockport Softball and Tennis Outstanding Athlete (1997-1998), ECAC Upstate New York Softball Player of the Year (1997) and NCAA record-holder for consecutive hits (13) and home runs in a game (3 – tied with others).



All in the family: SUNYIT head softball coach Michelle DeCoursey and sibling Wildcat team members, Erin and Katie DeCoursey.

Michelle joined the Wildcat coaching staff in September of 2000 and the fortunes of the women's softball team have risen steadily. The Wildcats challenged the top teams of SUNYAC all spring while achieving an overall record of 13-17, a vast improvement on last year's 6-26 season.

Key to the Wildcats rise has been the arrival of many talented newcomers, including two more DeCourseys. Katie, who transferred from SUNY Plattsburgh after a stellar career at Herkimer County Commu-

nity College, plays catcher and third base while Erin, who also transferred from HCCC after starring in softball, is a pitcher/first baseman.

“I'm honored to be coaching Katie and Erin in their final years of college ball,” says Michelle. “Katie has the same edge as I had – she plays with lots of heart and intensity. Erin is awakening to that level of intensity and we'll expect plenty of that along with lots of leadership from her over the next two seasons.”

## Annual Fund Gift Form (CONTINUED)



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- I have already included SUNYIT in my estate plans

The fiscal year begins July 1 and ends June 30. Please send your gift by June 30 to ensure listing in the Foundation's annual Honor Roll of Donors.

### MATCHING GIFT PROGRAM

If you work for a company that matches gifts to higher education, you can double or triple the value of your contribution by following your employer's matching gift procedures. Many companies match the gifts of spouses, retirees, and surviving spouses of retirees in addition to gifts from current employees. Please contact your personnel or human resources office for eligibility information and to obtain a matching gift form. Enclose the completed form with your contribution. We will verify your contribution and return the form to your employer, who will send the matching gift directly to SUNYIT. We appreciate your efforts to maximize the available resources to ensure a bright future for SUNYIT and its students.

## First Post-Season Appearance for SUNYIT's Women's Softball

The women's softball team at SUNYIT made an impressive first-ever appearance in the post-season, capturing second place in the New York State Women's Collegiate Athletic Association (NYSWCAA) Tournament.

The SUNYIT women advanced to the championship game after avenging an opening round 2-1 loss to Utica College with a 2-0 elimination game win over UC.

The Wildcats lost in the championship game to top-seeded St. Lawrence University, 2-1. The SUNYIT women out-hit and out-pitched the host school, but lost as St. Lawrence scored two unearned runs for the NYSWCAA softball title.

SUNYIT had nine hits, including singles by senior Brandy Napier and junior Erika Hock in the first inning to give the Wildcats a 1-0 lead, and left 10 runners on base for the game. Senior Stephanie Gajewski led the Wildcats with a 3-for-3 performance at the plate. Junior Krista Hess pitched a three-hitter and struck out seven, including setting down the side in the second inning with three straight strikeouts.

All-tournament team selections for the Wildcats, who finished the 2003 season with a 14-19 record, were Brandy Napier, Krista Hess and senior Katie DeCoursey.

# Fall 2003

# Wildcat Sports

## Men's Soccer

### September

<b>Wed. 9/10</b>	<b>Hamilton</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
Sat. 9/13	Paul Smith's	A	1 p.m.
<b>Tue. 9/16</b>	<b>Utica</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
Fri. 9/19	SUNY Potsdam	A	4 p.m.
Sat. 9/20	SUNY Plattsburgh	A	1 p.m.
Fri. 9/26	SUNY Brockport*	A	4 p.m.
Sat. 9/27	SUNY Geneseo	A	1 p.m.

### October

<b>Fri. 10/3</b>	<b>Buffalo State</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
<b>Sat. 10/4</b>	<b>SUNY Fredonia</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>2 p.m.</b>
Tue. 10/7	Bard	A	4 p.m.
<b>Fri. 10/10</b>	<b>SUNY Oswego</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
<b>Sat. 10/11</b>	<b>SUNY Cortland</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
<b>Tue. 10/14</b>	<b>Cazenovia</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
Fri. 10/17	Hilbert	A	4 p.m.
Sat. 10/18	Medaille	A	1 p.m.
<b>Wed. 10/22</b>	<b>SUNY New Paltz</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
Mon. 10/27	Utica	A	3 p.m.

## Women's Soccer

### September

<b>Sat. 9/6</b>	<b>Medaille</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
<b>Tue. 9/9</b>	<b>Albany College of Pharmacy</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>4:30 p.m.</b>
Sat. 9/13	Cazenovia	A	1 p.m.
Mon. 9/15	Utica	A	4 p.m.
Wed. 9/17	SUNY Cortland	A	4 p.m.
Sat. 9/20	SUNY Oswego	A	1 p.m.
<b>Tue. 9/23</b>	<b>SUNY Oneonta</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
<b>Sat. 9/27</b>	<b>Buffalo State</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>

### October

Wed. 10/1	SUNY Potsdam	A	4 p.m.
<b>Sat. 10/4</b>	<b>SUNY Plattsburgh</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b>
<b>Wed. 10/8</b>	<b>SUNY Brockport</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
Sat. 10/11	SUNY Geneseo	A	1 p.m.
Sun. 10/12	Hilbert	A	Noon
Wed. 10/15	SUNY New Paltz	A	4 p.m.
<b>Sat. 10/18</b>	<b>SUNY Farmingdale</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
<b>Sun. 10/19</b>	<b>Russell Sage</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>2 p.m.</b>
Sat. 10/25	SUNY Fredonia	A	1 p.m.
<b>Tue. 10/28</b>	<b>Utica</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>

Head Coach: Jim Lipocky (3rd Year), Assistant Coach: Thersea Synakowski

## Volleyball

### September

Sat. 9/6	Cazenovia Tournament	A	10 a.m.
Wed. 9/10	Russell Sage	A	7 p.m.
<b>Sat. 9/13</b>	<b>Hilbert</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
<b>Wed. 9/17</b>	<b>Cazenovia</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>
Fri. 9/19	Russell Sage Invitational	A	4 p.m.
Sat. 9/20	Russell Sage Invitational	A	9 a.m.
Fri. 9/26	SUNYAC Tournament (East Pool Play) @ Plattsburgh		4 p.m.
Sat. 9/27	SUNYAC Tournament (East Pool Play) @ Plattsburgh		10 a.m.

### October

Wed. 10/1	SUNY Oswego	A	6 p.m.
Fri. 10/3	Utica	A	7 p.m.
<b>Tue. 10/14</b>	<b>Hamilton</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>
Fri. 10/17	Hilbert	A	7 p.m.
<b>Sat. 10/18</b>	<b>D'Youville</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Noon</b>
<b>Tue. 10/21</b>	<b>Utica</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>
Fri. 10/24	SUNYAC Tournament (East Pool Play) @ New Paltz		4 p.m.
Sat. 10/25	SUNYAC Tournament (East Pool Play) @ New Paltz		10 a.m.

Head Coach: Michelle DeCoursey (4th Year), Assistant Coach: TBA

## Golf

### September

Sat. 9/13	Utica and Cazenovia (Valley View Golf Club, Utica, NY)	11 a.m.
Sat. 9/20	Utica and Cazenovia (Valley Vaiew Golf Club, Utica, NY)	11 a.m.
Mon. 9/22	Oswego Invitational (Oswego Country Club, Oswego, NY)	1 p.m.
Thur. 9/25	ECAC Regional Qualifier	TBA
Tue. 10/7	Mike Bello Invitational (Hosted by LeMoyné, Drumlins Country Club, Syracuse, NY)	1 p.m.
Sun. 10/12	Hamilton Invitational (Shenendoah Golf Club, Verona, NY)	11:30 a.m.





# May 2003 Graduates

## Graduate Degrees

### School of Arts & Sciences

#### Candidates for the

#### Master of Science Degree

##### Applied Sociology

Joanna Kathryn Baum - Litchfield  
Lisa M. Burdick - Ilion  
Barbara W. Cauthen - Huntsville, TX  
Donna V. Jenkins - Rome

JoAnn Mower - Mohawk  
Alka Vidyarthi-Sowich - Utica

##### Information Design & Technology

Charles Phillip DeSimone - Utica  
Michael T. Dodson - Clark Mills  
Bruce Gregory Lundstrom - Utica  
Mandy Lynn Miller - Edmeston  
Blake Alexander Pitcher - Dolgeville  
Melissa A. Ricci - Watertown  
Beverly J. Settle - Madison

### School of Information Systems & Engineering Technology

#### Candidates for the

#### Master of Science Degree

##### Advanced Technology

Anthony Sal Benincasa - Deerfield  
John R. Ciko - Herkimer  
James Michael Whalen Jr. - Loudonville

##### Computer and Information Science

Kelly T. Ano - Sylvan Beach  
Daniel T. Brown - Litchfield  
Adnan Bubalo - Bosnia-Herzegovina  
Chunyang Chen - China  
David Marc DeProspero - Rome  
Satoshi Goto - Japan  
Long Gu - China  
Min Guo - Delhi  
Zhidong Li - China  
Michelle Anne Manning - New York Mills  
Michael J. Manno - Frankfort  
William Edward McKeever Jr. - Rome  
Dale Robert Millson - Verona  
Michael P. Nassif - Lansing  
Sean Michael Phillips - Watertown  
S. Aaron Sacks - Sherrill  
John Spina - Frankfort  
Joseph M. Suprenant - Fort Edward  
Jason J. Szczesniak - Rome  
Shelly Marie Tartaglia - Rome  
Venkatesh Tatineni - Utica  
Hlaing Tun Than - Yangon  
Myo Min Thein - Burma  
Dawn Ann Trevisani - Utica  
Vincent Nicholas Turczyn - Utica  
Jeffrey E. Tyler - New Hartford  
Edward Michael Wagner - Syracuse  
Jun Wan - China

##### Telecommunications

Shweta Agnihotri - Utica  
Nikhil Ahluwalia - Utica  
Niranjan Pramod Davray - India  
Beatrice A. Opee - Kenya  
Lawrence Shane Ndhago Zikusoka - Siler City

### School of Management

#### Candidates for the Master of

#### Business Administration Degree

##### Technology Management

Salvatore Howard Alessi - Medford  
Wildzfor Balan - Brooklyn  
Brett J. Clemens - Camden

William Sean DeVries - Clifton, NJ  
Wilmar Dorcius - Brooklyn  
Mary Carroll Ford - Old Forge  
Cathy Sue Hills - Williamson  
Shane Thomas Sack - Utica  
David Raymond Segal - Utica  
Stephanie Alise Vogel - Clinton  
Christopher Stephen Yax - Barneveld

#### Candidates for the

#### Master of Science Degree

##### Accountancy

Diane Juliet Barnaby - Canada  
Rae Marie D'Achille - Milan  
Mary Brondou Dousharm - Sauquoit  
Richard Joseph Fiore - Utica  
Tifini J. Moyer - Canastota  
Meriam Bulay Pepperine - Utica  
Heidi R. Tribunella - New Hartford

##### Business Management

Ryan Joseph Baker - Syracuse  
Shaun M. Brennan - Utica  
Brett J. Clemens - Camden  
Christine Susan Duda - Whitesboro  
Lisa Marie Eastman - Lyons Falls  
Joseph Jon Firley - Marcy  
Jon E. Harter - Holland Patent  
Paul Gregory Humphrey - Deerfield  
Ivan M. Kwasowsky - Rome  
Patrick David Lindsley - Oneida  
Lisa A. Minarchi - Little Falls  
Colleen J. Peavey - Madison  
Charles David Smith - Westmoreland  
Ellen Kirkpatrick Soron - Poland  
Matthew Charles Taylor - Marietta, GA  
Michael T. Thayer - Rome  
Marisa Vitagliano - Utica  
Sheila Anne Ward - New Hartford  
Michael James Washo - Syracuse  
Barry John Yette - Herkimer

##### Health Services Administration

David Raymond Segal - Utica

### School of Nursing & Health Systems

#### Candidates for the

#### Master of Science Degree

##### Adult Nurse Practitioner

Eileen C. Baird - Malta

##### Family Nurse Practitioner

Svetlana Baluk - Utica  
Denise Roseanne Casab - Utica  
Colleen Elizabeth Farley - Utica  
Anita Farry - Altamont  
Glenda Lyn Jackson - Camden  
Jocelyn Ann Kates - Palatine Bridge  
Julie Ann Nichols - Remsen  
Francia Ianthia Reed - Rome  
Brenda J. Rose - Canastota  
Angela Marie Soja - Utica  
William Joseph Wolff - Camden

##### Nursing Administration

Catherine E. Aber - Liverpool  
Nicole Marie Eckert - Buffalo  
Karen Marie Hogan - Gloversville  
Varinya Sheppard - New Hartford

### Undergraduate Degrees

### School of Arts & Sciences

#### Candidates for the

#### Bachelor of Arts Degree

##### General Studies

Linda Lee Gurley - Westmoreland

Cheryl Ann Jassak - Yorkville  
Marguerite M. Lynch - Middleville  
Nicole L. Pullen - Groton  
Thomas E. Stock - Little Falls  
Dorothy F. Voce - Utica  
Charles Leonard Williams - Whitesboro \*

##### Psychology

Jonathan Louis Berkson - Brooklyn  
Daryl Jean Boyle - Gloversville  
Andrea L. Humphreys - Clinton  
Rebecca Lynn King - Utica  
Barbara Jean Mang - Fort Plain  
Elizabeth Laura Morrock - Utica  
Becky Jean Murdock - Houston, TX  
Carla M. Nelson - Clinton \*\*\*  
Dianndra Pristera - Utica  
Alma Delpilar Ramos - Chester  
Erika Lynne Schultz - Bloomfield  
Jennifer Lynn Snell - Camden

##### Sociology

Jennifer Katharine Armstrong - Taberg  
Alfred J. Berowski, Jr. - Middleville  
Sarah Marie Blair - Rome  
Cheryl Lynn Blanchard - Brushton-Moira  
Timothy Patrick Buell - Schenectady  
Nicole Reva Cocomazzi - Utica  
Sandra J. Cummings - Utica  
Nicole Marie DiMaggio - Rome  
Rhonda M. Hicks Dunn - Canastota  
David J. Fallon - Barneveld  
Valerie A. Frederick - Rome  
Ryann Angela LaVigne - Schenectady  
Jamie Marie Miller - Smethport, PA  
Michael Owen Nicotera - Rome  
Beth Ann Perry - Taberg  
Kenneth Charles Price - Great Bend \*  
Carolyn I. Scavone - Utica  
Kenneth R. Schaefer, Jr. - Schenectady  
Theresa Anne Wood - Rome  
Eric Joseph Zabek - Marcy

#### Candidates for the

#### Bachelor of Science Degree

##### Applied Mathematics

Kathryn Paige Morgan - Gloversville

##### Professional and Technical Communication

Maria L. Brooks - Rome  
Carreen Elizabeth Burling - Ilion  
Katherine Maria Ruiz Connor - Rome \*\*  
Andrew C. Denison - Utica  
Christina Dominguez - New York City  
Paul Ferrone Sr. - New Hartford  
Joshua Asher Ganeles - Utica  
Reneé Anne Libritz - Utica  
Michael A. Peck - Norwich  
Cory Suzanne Phillips - Rochester  
Kirsten Elizabeth Prentice - New Hartford \*\*  
Amanda L. Snyder - Galway  
Cynthia G. Venettozzi - Whitesboro

### School of Information Systems & Engineering Technology

#### Candidates for the

#### Bachelor of Science Degree

##### Civil Engineering Technology

C. Scott Aichner - Oneida  
Brian Thomas Albanese - Trout Creek  
Martin Baca IV - Vernon  
Paul Joseph Darmetko Jr. - Cohoes  
David George Desmond - Valatie  
Charles Ronald Dodge - Schuyler \*\*

Robert Douglas Ellis - Endwell  
Theodore L. Fox III - Blossvale  
Michelle Patricia Haman - Frankfort  
Johan C. Hawley - Plattsburgh  
Brian M. Hurlbut Jr. - Louisville  
Andrew Lincoln Marino - Boonville  
Christine Ann McCorduck - Rome  
Michael John Moll II - Mechanicville \*  
Michael David Muha - Boonville  
Jeremy Douglas Nash - Oriskany  
Justin Charles Newbury - Endwell \*\*\*  
Bradford A. Newman - Oneida  
Cutler David Perry - Troy  
Corey A. Roberts - Oriskany  
F. Joseph Wisinski - North Bay \*\*  
Ismail Nemat Zebari - Binghamton

##### Computer Engineering Technology

Brian R. Benvenuti - Barre, VT \*\*  
Damian E. Ffrench - Jamaica  
Stephen Goodman - Liverpool  
Louto LaGuerre - Nyack  
Michael A. Pincoski - Dunkirk  
Salih M. Shaffi - Utica  
Kenneth R. Twinam - Clifton Park \*\*\*

##### Computer Information Systems

Lynn Marie Carney - New Hartford  
Kyle David Collegian - Saratoga Springs  
Michael E. Csete - Ilion  
Michael Thomas Foley - Floral Park  
Lien Thi Kim Ha - Syracuse  
Ursula M. Harris - Amityville  
Loc Huu Hoang - Rochester  
Iassen Marinov Ivanov - Bulgaria  
Lisa M. Janetsky - Fultonville  
Jeremy Todd Johnson - Syracuse  
Kirsten Lauren Kleist - Johnstown \*  
Miguel Angel Lapaix Jr. - Bronx  
Matt Larkin - Yorkville  
Jéan Michael Leimkübler - Middletown  
John Joseph McGinty II - Voorheesville  
Nathan Allen Nichols - Watertown  
Yishin Park - Utica  
Daniel W. Purdy - Baldwinsville  
Muhammed Suleman - Bronx  
Jonathan Michael Thompson - Amsterdam  
Michael Steven Tianoello Jr. - Canastota  
Cornel Timis - Jacksonville  
Ziomara Zamora - Woodside

##### Computer and Information Science

Wyatt Banks - Port Jervis  
Shelby K. Barrett - Sauquoit  
Andre C. Berardi - Rome  
William James Bodily - Provo, UT  
Vera N. Boyko - Frankfort  
John S. Carlson - Brooklyn  
Kevin Cheng - Utica  
Mark Allen Coleman - Clinton  
Jill Marie Costello - Syracuse  
Donald Richard Davis - Stittville  
Pamela L. Davis - New Hartford  
Lincoln Allen DeCoursey - Pavillion  
Lakisha Monay Dixon - Syracuse  
Cantrice Louise Ealey - Brooklyn  
Richard Michael Gloo - Mohawk  
William C. Griggs - Utica  
Mingxin Gu - Elmhurst  
Sharon C. Hall - Boonville \*  
Andrew Dale Hallock - Homer  
Nick Alexander Hammer - Albany  
Christopher James Hanson - Verbank

Seiji Iwasaki - Japan  
 Michael Nicholas Lumbrazo - Oneida  
 Andrew Thomas Malara - Whitesboro\*  
 Michelle G. Michlovitch - East Syracuse\*\*  
 Scott Thomas Monahan - Hudson Falls  
 Takahiko Nakagawa - Japan  
 Aaron V. Nguyen - Syracuse  
 Jeremy C. Patterson - Herkimer  
 Nicholas E. Penney - Poughkeepsie\*  
 Virginia Eileen Quell - Canastota  
 Donald Edward Riesbeck Jr. - Owego\*  
 Salman Yusuf Saleem - Watertown  
 Rebecca Chua Sanchez-Alvarez - Binghamton\*\*\*  
 Kristina M. Schreyer - Holland Patent  
 Shawn Allen Siegfried - New Hartford  
 William Sung - Forest Hills  
 Brian James Sweatman - Oneida  
 Karin Tang - Flushing  
 Norman Devon Thompson - Brooklyn  
 Chad William Wescott - Batavia  
 Daniel Anthony Will - Averill Park  
 Jason T. Yager - Newport  
**Electrical Engineering Technology**  
 Saeed Abubakr Al-Akbari - Qatar  
 Mohammed H. Al-Jaidah - Qatar  
 Musallam Saeed Al-Rashedi - U.A.E.  
 Faisal H. ALZaab - U.A.E.  
 Buti Naya Binhend - U.A.E.  
 Charles Edward Burger III - Binghamton\*\*  
 Brian A. Carway - Mineola  
 Matthew A. Douglass - Rochester  
 Mathew Ryan Ercoline - Pine Bush  
 Kimber-Lee M. Fedele - Colonie  
 José Ramón García - Bronx  
 Beth Jerusha Howarth - Barneveld\*  
 Bin Hu - Elkhart, IN  
 Mark Francis Koslosky - Scranton, PA\*\*  
 Patrick A. Lavin - Amherst  
 Chad Michael Vincent Nichols - Sauquoit\*\*\*\*  
 Eric Bruce Rafuse - Casper, WY  
 Adam Wade Spence - Cranford, NJ  
 Vue Thao - Syracuse  
 Davon Tolliver - Poughkeepsie  
 Todd T. Walker - Cassville\*\*  
 Nathan J. Williams - Coeymans Hollow  
**Industrial Engineering Technology**  
 Jeffrey Michael Baker - Colonie  
 Randolph E. Beasock - Verona  
 Nicholas Dean Benjamin - Limestone  
 Matthew James Hembach - Oneida  
 Brian Thomas Miller - Cobleskill  
 Cindy Lee Mishler - Stillwater  
 Dennis K. Strawcutter - Bolivar  
**Mechanical Engineering Technology**  
 Adam Jason Archard - Gansevoort  
 Benjamin Val Chmielewski - Utica  
 Raymond DelMoor - Bronx  
 Michael W. Dillenbeck - Fairfield  
 Midhad Duracak - Utica  
 Michael W. Excell - Iliion  
 David Walter Geldard - Holland  
 Max R. Hittler - Brooklyn  
 Christopher David Krecidlo - Marcy  
 Andrew J. Longway - Boonville  
 Huy T. Mai - Syracuse  
 Erick Shawn Moser - East Greenbush  
 Shawn Erick Moser - East Greenbush  
 Darien Quoc Nguyen - Rochester  
 Jay A. Pearce, Jr. - Central Valley

Scott Edward Russell - New Hartford  
 Michael Clifford Salisbury - Feura Bush  
 Michael F. Scholeno - Lakewood  
 Blain D. Thomas - Stillwater  
 Paul M. Valente - Selkirk  
 Kenneth M. Wagner - Manlius  
**Telecommunications**  
 Ryan A. Bressler - Pine Bush  
 Soufiane Chraïbi - Woodside  
 Ana E. Contreras - New York City  
 Eric James Desciscio - Ballston Lake  
 Thomas Warren McCauley - Galway  
 Muamer Mirkanovic - Bosnia-Herzegovina  
 Jeffrey Michael Munger - Little Falls  
 Lisa M. Nadeau - Nassau\*  
 Joyce Y. Nenonene - Bronx  
 Jeehyun Park - New York City  
 Meghna I. Patel - South River, NJ\*  
 Carlos Ruben Perez - Middletown  
 Quoc-Buu Ky Pham - Utica  
 Nicholas Austin Piazza - Scotia  
 Walter Pinkevich - Plymouth, PA  
 Alan B. Robinson - Charlotte, NC  
 Ronald Smith - Brooklyn  
 Jedediah David Strohm - Pattersonville\*  
 Michael Luigi Tedesco - Troy  
 Amarfi Valdez - Brooklyn  
 Sai Chiu Yip - Flushing  
**School of Management**  
**Candidates for the Bachelor of Business Administration Degree**  
**Business and Public Management**  
 Pamela Bailey - Utica\*\*  
 Ronald Joseph Bonanza Jr. - Marcy  
 Carrie Lynn Casab - New Hartford  
 Tanya D'Aprix - Utica  
 Robyn E. Eckard - Little Falls  
 Mary R. Edmunds - Rome\*\*  
 Amanda Lynn Estell - Edmeston  
 Erik M. Finkell - Albany  
 Francis James Foley - Richfield Springs  
 Kelly Marie Framarin - Valatie  
 Michael Abraham Haddad - Utica  
 Rose Marie Jones - Lee Center\*\*\*  
 Bahrudin Kajtezovic - Utica  
 Jordan T. Keller - Clinton  
 Yvonne M. Lee - Lowville\*\*\*  
 Harvey Patrick Lessington - New York City  
 Matthew Floyd Lyon - Little Falls  
 Jeffrey C. Mahady - Utica  
 Danielle Madden Maloney - Utica  
 Thomas E. McLaughlin - Clay  
 Angelina Mercurio - Utica\*\*\*  
 James Francis Mirowski - Blossvale\*  
 Vanessa Marie Nelson - Sherrill  
 Jason M. Plumer - East Greenbush  
 Travis Malcolm Shaw - Queensbury  
 Mark Edward Thomas - New Hartford  
 Catherine Verinoca Winston - Dolgeville  
**Finance**  
 Brad Edward Davis - Rome  
 John R. Johns Jr. - Sauquoit  
 Brooke Diann Manzer - New Hartford  
 Daniel Charles Reed - Westmoreland  
 Jacqueline Ann Wilcox - Floyd  
 Carla Marie Zupancic - Utica  
**Candidates for the Bachelor of Professional Studies Degree**  
**Business and Public Management**  
 Matthew Robert Carpenter - New Hartford

Melissa Jo Cobb - Towanda, PA  
 Shannon Mary Cotter - Vernon  
 Candice Marie DeKay - Oneida  
 Mary Beth Murphy-Gay - Mohawk  
 David Michael Horton - Canastota  
 John N. Kalil, Jr. - New Hartford  
 Alex S. Karis - Hackettstown, NJ  
 Amy Lynn Little - Stamford  
 Jason Michael Mahoney - Yorkville  
 Melinda S. Martin-Robb - Vernon Center\*\*\*  
 Brandy Rae Napier - Moravia  
 Kristy Lynn Nappa - Syracuse  
 Elba E. Nash - Little Falls\*\*\*  
 Patrick F. Romeo Jr. - Rome  
 Mary E. Watson - Herkimer\*\*\*  
 Nathanael Aaron Wootten - Oswego  
**Health Services Management**  
 Linda Ann Burke - South River, NJ\*  
 Johanna Lynn Emrich - Iliion  
 Laurie A. Fikes - Schenectady  
 Daniel Evan Glick - Glensville  
 Edward M. Jasewicz - Iliion  
 Mary Jane Loiacano - New Hartford  
 Kay Ellen Powell - Liverpool  
**Candidates for the Bachelor of Science Degree**  
**Accounting**  
 Nicole Dorothy Alex - Saratoga Springs  
 Terri Lynn Allen - Rome  
 Sheryl Lynn Andrews - Boonville  
 Monique Lisa Cortes - Oneida  
 Kimberly Nicole Coyne - Maine  
 Thomas W. Grooms - Rome\*\*  
 Sherry Lynn Hanson - Tribes Hill  
 Darlene A. Janucik - Utica  
 Richard Mark Jordan - Oneida\*\*\*  
 Laura Jane Miller - Constableville  
 Jennifer M. Monaghan - New Hartford  
 David Dale Ovitt - Little Falls\*\*  
 Joanne Marie Pugliese - Little Falls\*\*\*  
 Brandi Lynn Seebler - Watertown  
 Stephanie Lynn Shute - Nedrow  
 Dominick C. Velardi - Utica  
 Teresa Michelle Walter - Ellaville, GA\*  
**Business and Public Management**  
 Lawanda Best - Syracuse  
 Timothy Arnold Brown - Amsterdam  
 Kathleen A. Curran - Utica  
 Donna M. DeJoseph - Utica\*\*\*  
 Randi-Lynne Donahue - Randall\*\*  
 Nicole Renee Eberley - Whitesboro  
 Jennette Roberts Fauss - Clinton\*\*\*  
 Stephanie Marie Gajewski - Forestville  
 Renee Geno - Rome  
 Chad S. Gurley - Old Forge  
 Omer Halilovic - Utica  
 Markee Lavon Jones - Syracuse  
 Nora Lyn Mazza - Avon  
 Michelle Jane Moore - Mayafield  
 Milton Douglas Morris II - Cooperstown  
 John Michael Napolitano - Walden  
 Melissa Rene O'Grady - Ogdensburg  
 Gilbert Andres Orbe - Queens  
 Craig M. Pernisi - Camillus  
 Perry L. Planck III - Castorland  
 Joseph Portipilo - Auburn  
 Lisa Marie Quinn - Whitesboro  
 Hanako Sakanushi - Japan\*\*  
 Brian K. Scoones - Clinton  
 Brenton Joseph Seamon - Richfield Springs

Ronald Smith - Brooklyn  
 Brian Lawrence Taylor - Utica  
 Claudia I. Travis - Penn Yan  
**Finance**  
 Russell Ford - Greenville  
 Andrew John Howe - Newport\*\*  
 Rebecca-Lynn M. Ruff - Rome  
 Jamie F. Weaver - Frankfurt  
**Health Services Management**  
 Fortune Estil - Brooklyn  
 Fortunato Thomas Scerbo III - Utica  
 Robert Wendler - Clinton  
**School of Nursing & Health Systems**  
**Candidates for the Bachelor of Professional Studies Degree**  
**Health Information Management**  
 Patricia Ann Adorno - Brewerton  
 Sherry Benita Branch - Albany  
 Joanne Michele Cacciotti - Westmoreland  
 Blaise A. Johns - Little Falls  
 Holly R. Jones - Sherrill\*\*\*  
 Anastasiya Ogijevich - Utica  
 Lynne Marie Grinnell-Patton - Troy  
 Jacqueline Stanfield - Syracuse  
 Carol A. Wilson - Arcade\*  
**Candidates for the Bachelor of Science Degree**  
**Health Information Management**  
 Mary Dupha Reeves Ives - Herkimer  
 Murray Jerome Mitkoff - Utica\*\*\*  
**Nursing**  
 Linda Marie Abriel - Watervliet  
 Kimberly Ann Baldwin - Clifton Park  
 Jason Michael Kallawa Bland - Ogdensburg  
 Stephanie Bouck - Mohawk  
 Melanie L. Dolan - Albany\*  
 Frances C. Donnelly - Troy  
 Jacqueline Jude Donnelly - Troy  
 Patricia A. Gorman - Oneida  
 Michelle Marie Grube - Marcy  
 Julianne Alissa Jones - Frankfurt  
 Mary E. Jones - Dolgeville  
 Jill Francis Jordan - Waterville  
 Imshin Oh Kim - Schenectady  
 Annmarie Mastropietro Lescarbeau - Mechanicville  
 Diane Louise Martin-Widenor - Schenectady  
 Sally Mason-Kennedy - Canastota  
 Nevenka Miling - Verona  
 Erik A. Nichols - Remsen  
 Diana Notaro - Clinton  
 Renee Michele Shields - Oneida  
 Sharon M. Signor Purcell - Albany  
 Svitlana Silchuk - Utica  
 Martha Lynn Smith - New Hartford\*  
 Katharine Elizabeth Welter - Clifton Park  
 Jane Ellen Wenham - Camden

\*\*\* Top 5% of graduating class  
 \*\* Top 10% of graduating class  
 \* Top 15% of graduating class

## 1975

**Dominic Maazza** recently received the International City/County Management Association Credentialed Manager Designation. To be credentialed by ICMA, a member must have a significant experience as a senior management executive in local government, have earned a degree in public administration or a related field, and demonstrated a commitment to high standards of integrity and to lifelong learning and professional development.

## 1976

**Stanley Ezman** is a stadium control supervisor at Syracuse University's Carrier Dome. Stanley is retired from both the United States Postal Service and the U.S. Army Reserve.

**Rochelle Herman** is sales manager at Friends Retirement Concepts in Bridgewater, N.J.

## 1977

**Nicholas Ernest** of Ocala, Fla., is employed at Lockheed Martin as a contracts manager.

## 1978

**Charlene Mizner** is a registered nurse at St. Joseph Medical Center and a retired Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Air Force Reserves.

**Geraldine Pozzi-Galluzi** is a professor in the Department of Allied Health and Biological Sciences at Dutchess Community College.

## 1979

**Cathy Frank**, BSN, a registered nurse with the Visiting Nurse Association of Utica and Oneida County, Inc., is 4th certified wound care specialist in Oneida County.

## 1982

**Philip Zaffarano** of Sherwood, Ariz., is a customer service manager at Hazen Tec.

## 1983

**Kathleen Battaglia** is employed by Anheuser-Busch Co. at Seaworld Orlando.

**Paul Hederman** of Hobe Sound, Fla., is employed at Tyco Safety Products as a director, human resources.

**Mary Jayne Milford** is a sales operations manager for Xerox Corporation.

## 1984

**Mark Buttiglieri** has been named assistant director for the crisis management & trauma response program at SUNY Upstate.

## 1985

**Suzanne (Fiore) DeVito** works at St. Clare's Hospital and John DeVito works for the electricians' union. They have three daughters.

**Annette Guido** was the winner of the first Ursula Flagg Award for Human Resource Excellence. With more than 20 years of human resources experience in education, health care and service industries, she is active in professional community associations.

## 1986

**Daniel O'Toole** was named senior vice president and chief lending officer at SBU Bank.

## 1987

**Earl Hall Jr.** was sworn in as a firefighter in Rome, N.Y.

## 1988

**John Alden** is a senior systems analyst at Burrelle's Information Services. He will serve as project leader for enterprise software implementation as well as program development and support.

**Denise Flihan** has been promoted to senior relations manager at Northland Communications.

## 1989

**Heather Allore** of Rockland, Me., is associate director of biostatistics at Yale University.

**Cecile Cohen** of Dewitt, N.Y., is a retired adult nurse practitioner.

**Amy Kelley** has been chosen as library system librarian at North Country Library System.

**Carl Kelly** has been named vice president, nursing home operations for Elant, Inc., health and housing systems.

## 1990

**Rita Deal**, a registered nurse at Lewis County General Hospital, Lowville, N.Y., was employee of the month. She has been the director of nursing in the residential health care facility since 2000.

**Gary Roback** joined GPO Federal Credit Union as vice president of member services. His responsibilities include overseeing branch and loan operations.

## 1991

**Beverly Griffin**, RN, has been named associate director of nursing at St. Camillus Health and Rehabilitation Center in Syracuse.

**John Rossi** is director of operations for Philip C. Antico, Inc.

**Marianne Turczyn** of Utica, N.Y., is employed at Barnes & Noble after her retirement from the Oneida County Health Department.

## 1992

**Todd Deragon** is a metallurgist at Schlosser Forge Company.

**Lori Koons** was appointed public relations coordinator at the Central New York Eye Bank, a division of Upstate New York Transplant Services, Inc.

## 1993

**Mark Clouse** has joined the Desmond Hotel & Conference Center in Colonie, N.Y., as a network administrator. In this position, he will handle all aspects of computer network, hardware and software, including troubleshooting, computer problems, and assuring network security and anti-virus protection.

**Kevin Joyce** is the team leader-business technology department at The Hartford.

**Henry Lynn III** of New Braunfels, Tex., is product engineer-couplings for TB Wood's, Inc.

**Gail Marsh**, a member of the Air Force Research Laboratory Information Directorate support staff, has received the Operations and Support Excellence Award for her contributions to the directorate's research and development mission.

## 1994

**Kevin King** has joined Whitmore, Downen & Kilburn, LLP, a full-service certified public accounting firm.

**Helen Rico** of Rome, a senior computer scientist at the Air Force Research Laboratory Information Directorate has been named recipient of a 2003 Department of Defense Value Engineering Award.

**Laura L. Rogers '94**, formerly the Director of Children's Services for Oneida County, has begun work at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine in Chicago, Ill. Rogers serves as a federal grant project coordinator in the Psychiatry Department of the Mental Health Services and Policy Program.

Rogers received a bachelor of arts in psychology from SUNYIT and a master's degree in social work from the State University at Albany. She is the daughter of Wendell and Pauline Rogers of Unadilla Forks, N.Y.

## 1995

**Mary Kay Westgate-Driscoll** is a professional HIPAA consultant for Modis IT.

**Stacy Graffam** is a marketing manager

at Price Waterhouse Coopers, LLP.

**Melvin Rivers**, a chiropractor, recently relocated his practice to Utica from New Hartford.

### 1996

**Joanna Keeler** is the Herkimer High School technology coordinator.

**Patrick Lennon** has been promoted to the position of corporate controller at MLB Industries, Inc., of Malta, N.Y.

### 1997

**Diane Price** of Barneveld, N.Y., is a nurse practitioner at Masonic Home.

**Steven Kamp** is a software/systems engineer at Compaq.

**Daniel Shawcross** of Plainfield, Ill., is a network technician at AT&T.

**Nicole Tanner** is the practice administrator of The Woman's HealthCare Group, LLC, at Bellevue Women's Hospital in Niskayuna.

**Kevin Thompson** has been named director of Health Information Management at A.L. Lee Memorial Hospital.

### 1998

**Christine Beckingham** is ACT Team-Staff Social Worker at Albany County Department of Mental Health.

**Sharon DeVoe Cihocki** has been appointed Lewis County manager.

**Rudy Gadziala** is a contract administrator for Capital District Physician's Health Plan, Inc. (CDPHP) in Albany, N.Y.

**Kim Intino**, formerly public relations/development director for the Utica Zoo, has been hired by the Humane Society of the United States in Gaithersburg, Md. She will serve as manager of the Animal Services Consultation Program.

**Debra Wurz** is administrator of the Residential Health Care Facility at Rome Memorial Hospital.

### 1999

**Cheryl Chomycz** is employed at Lovely Hills Nursing Home as a registered nurse.

**Kristina Gohlke** is employed by Wyeth Pharmaceuticals as a research scientist I (technical writer).

### 2000

**Lee Brodie** has been promoted to the position of Senior Manufacturing Engineer at Tyco Healthcare's Oriskany Falls facility.

**Nikki Wood** graduated from Officer Candidate School where she was commissioned as an ensign in the Coast Guard. She will be a deck watch officer on the

Coast Guard Cutter Mackinaw, home ported in Sheboygan, Mich.

### 2001

**Jessica Ingro** is director of information services for the Mohawk Valley Chamber of Commerce in Utica, N.Y.

**Duane McKaig** has joined the staff of Northland Communications as senior product engineer.

**Matthew Uryniak** has joined Testone, Marshall & Discenza as a staff accountant.

### 2002

**Jeffrey Batson** has been promoted to co-leader of Revere's new advanced shop floor control system, MESA.

**Karen Frye** has been appointed an adjunct faculty member at the Utica School of Commerce.

**Ronald Moskala** has joined the Zoller Group of Northwestern Mutual Financial Network as a financial representative.

**Mark Schmidt** has joined the Syracuse office of Faglarone Group CPAs, PC., as a staff accountant with the firm's tax team.

**Jason Szczesniak** has accepted a position as systems integrator at Turning Stone Casino Resort, Verona, N.Y.

### ENGAGEMENTS

**Jeff Anthaume '84** and Barbara Clancy. An August 23 wedding is planned. He is employed as a safety consultant by CAN Insurance, Co., of Liverpool, N.Y.

**Eric Kochis '91** and Anca Retezatu. A May wedding was planned. He is a senior network specialist with BOCES for the Owego-Appalachin School District.

**Rose Marie Taylor '92** and **Christian Porto '92**. She is a senior health-systems manager at TAP Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; he is a district manager at Pfizer, Inc.

**Barbara Kennell '93** and Todd Howlett. An October 18 wedding is planned. She is employed as a senior office assistant at Four Corners Abstract in Utica, N.Y.

**Jennifer Summers '93** and Scott Handy. She is a service coordinator for Southern Tier Independence Center, Binghamton, N.Y.

**Jennifer Zammiello '93** and Wayne Rabideau. She is employed as an assistant director at Arc of Oneida/Lewis Co.

**Jennifer Leone '94** and Jason Ferris. A May wedding was planned. She is employed as a trial attorney for Allstate Insurance Company.

**Peter Prestipino '94** and Melissa Shuch. They plan to marry in May 2004. He is a financial planner in New York City.

**Laura Allard '95** and Timothy Teeter. An August wedding is planned. She is senior programmer/analyst at Scout Information Services, Eagan, Minn.

**Eric Rose '95** and Michele Albright. A July wedding was planned. He is an engineer at Owens Corning.

**Jason Spellicy '95** and Amanda Pasquale. A June wedding was planned. He is general manager of Uno Restaurant, Inc., Vestal, N.Y.

**James Weidman '95** and Kasey Benjamin. An October wedding is planned. He is an engineer for ASML in Wilton, Conn.

**Eric Beckwith '96** and Christina Cole. A September 20 wedding is planned. He is an assistant manager at Eckerd Drugs in Utica.

**Brooke Ceravolo '96** and Robert Kopek. A July wedding was planned. She is a chemical dependency counselor.

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Triennial .....	\$65
Lifetime (payable in installments) .....	\$325

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- Leadership Positions
- Library Privileges
- Computer account access<sup>1</sup>
- Athletic facilities use<sup>2</sup>
- Career Services support<sup>3</sup>
- The Buyer's Edge – consumer buying service
- Hertz Rental Car discounts
- Social and special events discounts
- Cingular Wireless discounted phone service
- Liberty Mutual Insurance discount program

<sup>1</sup>Cost for computer privilege is additional. <sup>2</sup>Cost for athletic membership is additional. <sup>3</sup>Costs may be associated with some services.



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- Lifetime (\$325)
- 3-Year (\$65)
- 1-Year (\$25)

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Degree Program \_\_\_\_\_

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Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Nicole Tanner '97** and **Rudy Gadziala '98**. A 2003 wedding is planned. She is Practice Administrator at Bellevue Women's Hospital @ The Women's Health Care Group. He is the contract administrator for Capital District Physicians' Health Plan Inc., Albany, N.Y.

**Kevin Durgee '98** and **Cara Gennario**. A June 2004 wedding is planned. He is employed as a financial analyst for Slocum Dickson Medical Group, New Hartford, N.Y.

**Kerri Coulter '99** and **Stephen Wszolek '01**. A fall wedding is planned. She is a project audit analyst with Cendant Corp. in Parsippany, N.J.; he is a project engineer with Moretrench American Corporation in Rockaway, N.J.

**Kevin Frantzen '99** and **Christine Wernie**. Kevin is a supervisor in the plant engineering department at United Parcel Service.

**Robert Moore '99** and **Katharine Sterling**. An August wedding is planned. He is a teacher in the Norwich Central School district.

**Jennifer Compeau '01** and **David Stevenson**. An October 18 wedding is planned.

**Kacey Mower '01** and **Jason Ricci**. A May wedding was planned. She is employed at SUNYIT.

**Willie Walls '01** and **Natasha Hill**. A July wedding was planned. He is a family advocate for Mohawk Valley Community Action Agency, Inc.

**Jonathan Warner '01** and **Claudia Kaye**. A May wedding was planned. He is employed with The Hartford Insurance in New Hartford, N.Y.

**Eric White '01** and **Stephanie Sorrell**. A July wedding was planned. He is a senior engineer aide for the City of Utica.

**Stephen Young '01** and **Christina Henderson '01**. A spring 2004 wedding is planned. She is employed at Kay Jewelers; he is employed by Troy Belting & Supply in Watervliet, N.Y.

**Tom Bronk '02** and **Erika Koncak**. Tom is a real estate sales agent for Farrell Realty USA in Endwell, N.Y.

**John McCarthy '02** and **Melissa Killenberger**. A June wedding was planned. He is a computer technician for Monumental Computer Applications in Cherry Valley.

## WEDDINGS

**Ralph LaLonde '78** and **Mary Saulpaugh**. He taught in the Ogdensburg school sys-

tem for 21 years prior to retiring in 1987. **Frank Montano '98** and **Patricia Lamando**, November 2, 2002. He is a senior technical manager with WorldCom in Rye Brook.

**Scott Campbell '91** and **Christa Matyka**, September 7, 2002. Scott is employed by Value Options in Dedham, Mass.

**Laurie Carey '92** and **Christopher Kraus**, June 8, 2002. Laurie is employed by Time Warner Security.

**Rebecca Williams '93** and **Greg Fox '97**, December 7, 2002. She is an attorney at Saxe, Doernberger and Viti in Hamden, Conn.; he is a mechanical engineer at Kip, Inc., in Farmington, Conn.

**Susan Billings '94** and **Gary Grabinski**, November 2, 2002. She is employed as the vice-president of finance at Fiber Instrument Sales, Inc.

**Gregory Higby '94** and **Melissa Snow**, September 21, 2002. He is employed as a maintenance engineer for Kraft, Inc., in Granite City, Ill.

**Paul Mullin '94** and **Kelly Rose**, October 19, 2002. He is an electrical engineer with Taylor Made Environmental, Pompano Beach, Fla.

**Richard Sents '94** and **Stephanie Martello**, October 12, 2002. He is the nursing home administrator of Manor Oak Life Center.

**Heath Allen Johnson '96** and **Linda Blom**, October 12, 2002. He is a senior engineer for Amphenol Aerospace in Sidney, N.Y.

**Christopher Zimmer '96** and **Kimberly O'Meara**, October 13, 2002. He is a project manager for DiGesare Mechanical of Schenectady, N.Y.

**Kurt Nordman '97** and **Catherine Puma**, September 14, 2002. He is employed with Syracuse Research Corporation, North Syracuse, and is currently deployed with the U.S. Army for a one-year tour of duty.

**Sharon DeVoe '98** and **William Cihocki**, November 15, 2002. She is the Lewis County Manager.

**Michael McCann Jr. '98** and **Billie Jo McKittrick**, September 14, 2002. He is employed as a sales representative at IA Systems in Albany.

**Anthony Obernesser '98** and **Dorothy Janco**, September 22, 2002. He is employed as a project manager with Charles A. Gaetano Construction.

**Donna Pecor '98** and **Michael Rava '84**, October 5, 2002. She is a supervisor of human resources at Oneida BOCES; he is

a director of contracting at Slocum Dickson Medical Group.

**Tammy Croniser '99** and **John Raymond** were married May 18. She is a service coordinator at Madison-Cortland ARC in Oneida.

**Paul Kolodzie '99** and **Ann Hucko**, November 2, 2002. He employed by HMT, Inc.

**Matthew Lewis '99** and **Kelly Van Bortle**, August 31, 2002. He is a UNIX systems administrator at Ajetix Inc., in Henrietta, N.Y.

**Michael Dickerson '00** and **Amy Poole**, October 26, 2002. He worked for Martin Electric.

**Paul Lee '00** and **Megan Nightingale**, October 12, 2002. He is employed by Tyco Healthcare in Hobart as a quality assurance technician.

**Edward Walker II '00** and **Tracey Page**, June 22, 2002. He is a claims adjuster at Progressive Insurance, Vestal, N.Y.

**Cathlene Whitehead '00** and **David Uhl**, October 12, 2002. Cathlene is a kindergarten teacher at Holy Nativity Episcopal School in Panama City, Fla.

**Sara Gleasman '02** and **Charles DeSimone '88, '03**, October 25, 2002. She is employed as a registered nurse; he is employed as a systems analyst.

## BIRTHS

**Rogers, Jonah**, November 26, 2002, to **Doreen (Cole) '94** and **Ryan Rogers**.

**Chomycz, Madison Elizabeth**, April 20, 2002 (born on her mom's birthday), to **Cheryl (Petty) Chomycz '99** and **David Chomycz '99**.

## DEATHS

**Abramczyk, Joseph '95**  
**Brooks, Sarah '90**  
**Speciale, Aaron '99**

**Thomas Bailey**, lecturer in computer science in the School of Information Systems & Engineering Technology, died March 29, 2003, at his home in Utica. A graduate of SUNY Potsdam, he taught computer science at SUNYIT from fall 1997 through fall 2002.