

Where are they now?



Alumni Updates

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Kudos



Dianne M. Galutz

1971

Dianne M. Galutz (Liberal Arts) who worked at SUNY Cortland for 21 years, retired May 27. She earned the designation of senior programmer/analyst emerita.

1975

Jemma Macera (Liberal Arts) published a book entitled "Lost and Found: Transcending Alzheimers."

1984

Tompkins Investment Services promoted **Nancy E. Massicci (Liberal Arts-General Studies)** to assistant vice president.

1985

Cheryl Baker (Business Administration) received the Girl Scout's Appreciation Pin for outstanding service to Girl Scouting in one or more geographic areas.

1990

Lee Ann Capogrossi (Business Administration) earned the President's Club Award – Bronze status for Jazzercise, a dance-fitness program.

George L. Sutfin (Criminal Justice) was honored for his work as an officer with the Kiwanis Club's Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award. George is a soon-to-retire Cornell University Police and crime prevention officer. A great deal of his work with the department has been overseeing special education police programs in the community like self-defense, drug and alcohol awareness, and winter driving.

1993

Christine Cotton (Business Administration) received top honors for Lia Sophia's Excellent Beginnings Program. Christine earned the accomplishment in her first 15 weeks by attaining certain sales levels and sharing Lia Sophia with other new advisers.

1994

Kim Moore (Graphic Design/Computer Graphics) received the Kiwanis Club Frank G. Hammer Award. She works closely with the sheriff's office and is credited with the rapid set-up of a computerized command center lead desk and telephone tip-line to help investigate a recent murder.



Austin Meyermann

1999

Austin Meyermann (Liberal Arts-Math/Science) released his book "The Official Guide to College Transfer Agreements." A first of its kind, the guide illustrates how parents and students can save tens of thousands of dollars on college education by using college transfer agreements.

Sergeant 1st Class **David Shay (Criminal Justice)** has reenlisted to continue service with the Headquarters Company, 1-69th Infantry.

2003

Frank Brackin (Computer Forensics) was interviewed for the TV program 20/20 for his work on a recent murder case.

Staff Sergeant **Timothy Hamilton (Electrical Technology: Electronics & Computer Systems)** has reenlisted to continue service with the Recruiting And Retention Command.

2005

Tracey Bachner (Early Childhood) received the Girl Scout's Appreciation Pin for outstanding service to Girl Scouting in one or more geographic areas.

2006

Anthony Gallucci (Early Childhood) received the Robert S. Smith Award from Cornell Cooperative Extension for his project, a community newsletter that shares often under-represented voices and fosters social involvement and participation in the downtown community.

Jolene Phillips (Criminal Justice) was sworn in as an Ithaca City Police Officer.

2008

Michael H. Aspinwall (Criminal Justice) graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX.

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2009

Benjamin Currens (*Liberal Arts and Sciences-Math/Science*) wrote a paper that was named the best undergraduate paper at last October's meeting of the New York Sociological Society in Buffalo.

Julianna Johnson (*Graphic Design*) won a \$5,000 American Association of Retired People Women's Scholarship and will be attending RIT in the fall.

Jacob Yale's (*Early Childhood*) research paper on the origins of the Tompkins County airport ran in the Ithaca Journal.

Congratulations to this year's Distinguished Alumni Award Recipients:



Melissa Chiotti – 2002 Graphic Design/
Computer Graphics

Catherine P. Feurherm – 1987 Nursing

Kevin Harris – 2006 Nursing

Catherine P. Feurherm

Congratulations to this year's Community Leadership Award Recipient:

Joyce L. Stanton – 2008 Liberal Arts and
Sciences-Women's Studies



Joyce L. Stanton

Congratulations to this year's Leadership Cortland Graduates:

Robin Cataldo – 1989 Accounting

Helen Ocon – 1993 Nursing

Engagements:

1992

John Eric Sovocool (*Business Administration*) and Sasha I. del Rio Olmeda are engaged. An August wedding is planned.

1994

Patricia Ann Bay (*Nursing*) and Scott Alan Lord announced their engagement, with a July 26, 2009 wedding.

2001

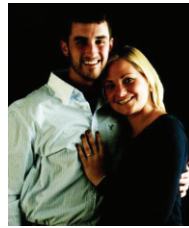
Shala Maureen Caughey (*Liberal Arts Social Science*) and Charles Aaron Wykstra announced their engagement. An October 2010 wedding is planned.

2003

Kate Elizabeth Klos (*Communication & Media Arts-Broadcast Journalism*) and James Curtis Rhea announced their engagement, with a July 18, 2009 wedding.

2004

Stephanie Lynn Doty (*Business Administration*) and Johnathon Scott Ogborn are engaged to marry, with a June 26, 2009 wedding.



Samuel Northrop
and
Michelle Lee Kulig

Samuel Gordon Northrop (*Sport Management*) and Michelle Lee Kulig announced their engagement. An October 2009 wedding is planned.

2005

Karen Lee Niggli (*Liberal Arts-General Studies*) and Jeffrey Miles Standish announced their engagement. A September 26, 2009 wedding is planned.

2005 & 2006

Lisa Marie Kenyon (*2005 Liberal Arts-General Studies*) and **Jacob Buck Bengeyfield** (*2006 Environmental Studies*) announced their engagement.

2007

Tegan R. McCrory (*Nursing*) and Richard Michael Viney announced their engagement, with a February 2009 wedding.

Michael T. Quinlan (*Construction Technology*) and Emily A. Dovi announced their engagement. An October wedding is planned.

2009

Melanie Bortz (*Nursing*) and Christopher Brewer announced their engagement. A September 4, 2010 wedding is planned.

Weddings

2002

Lance Jarrod Loomis (*Engineering Science*) and Melody Kaye Gerberich exchanged wedding vows November 30, 2008. The couple resides in Baltimore, MD.

2004

Jason van Staveren (*Photography-New Media*) and Isabel Bazaldua were married June 13, 2009. Jason is also a TC3 Alumni Association Board of Director. The couple lives in Ithaca, NY.

Births

1995

To **Amy Goldstein Riotto** (*Recreation Leadership*) and John Riotto, a daughter, Ella Sophia, 6 lbs., 12 oz., April 9.

2000

To **Brian Guernsey** (*Criminal Justice*) and Rochelle Guernsey, a daughter, Gianna Mae, 8 lbs., 11 oz., May 4.

2001

To **Ellen Mastrogiovanni Koszalka** (*Liberal Arts-Math/Science*) and Scott Koszalka, a son, Maxwell Scott, June 29, 2009.

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2003

To **Stephanie Harris Dunn** (*Business Administration*) and Thomas Dunn, a son, Liam James, 6 lbs., 14 oz., April 4.

To **Jamie Stiles** (*Office Management and Administration*) and Tyson Stiles, a daughter, Maizie Lynn, 7 lbs., 8 oz., March 31.

2004

To **Jessica Troy-Smith** (*Liberal Arts-Social Science*) and Phillip Smith, a daughter, Addison Bailey, June 17.

2004 & 2008

To **Cyndi Burke** (*2008 Nursing*) and **Cornelius A. Davis** (*2004 Recreation Leadership*), a son, Zayden Alonzo, June 6.

2005

To **Kari Winkleblack Schmidt** (*Nursing*) and Kyle Schmidt, a daughter, Kayleigh Anne, July 1, 2009.

2006

To **Samantha Bacheller Wyant** (*Liberal Arts-General Studies*) and Corey Wyant, a daughter, Hailey Lou, 7 lbs., 3 oz., May 1.

2007

To **Krista McCracken Berry** (*Nursing*) and James Berry, a son, Jackson Lee, 8 lbs., 14 oz., February 17.

Condolences

It is with deep regret that we share the loss of the following friends.

1978

James R. Benjamin (*Criminal Justice*) died February 10, 2009. James worked for over 23 years on the security force at Ithaca College. He continued his career at Ithaca College, working several years in the Athletic department until retiring. He was very community minded and enjoyed participating in many organizations.

1981

Barbara M. Brown (*Practical Nursing*) passed away March 10, 2009. Barbara worked at the Groton Nursing Home, Cortland Memorial Hospital and Highgate Manor Nursing Home after 15 years of nursing.

1984

Jacquelyn Ann Horton (*Nursing*) passed away July 16, 2009. Jackie worked several years as the nurse in the Candor Elementary School.

1987

Marjorie Louise Barrows (*Business Administration*) passed away July 15, 2009. Marge worked most recently at Stewart Howe Alumni Service in Lansing.

1995

Michelle Vincent (*Paralegal*) died March 3, 2009. Michelle took great pride in being a mother to her five sons.

1998

Nancy J. Mack (*Liberal Arts-Math/Science*) passed away

February 4, 2009. Nancy had been employed by the Cortland City School System for 10 years.

2008

Nancy Okumu (*Liberal Arts & Sciences-General Studies*) died on July 6, 2009. Originally from Kenya, Nancy was a highly motivated student who spent countless hours in the library working to achieve her goal of furthering her education and setting a positive example for her children.

Alumni Board

1994

Willmore F. Forney (*Travel & Tourism*) died on July 9, 2009. Will enlisted and made his career with the U.S. Army where he spent 38 years, retiring as a Chief Warrant III in 1992. He was the owner of Forney Enterprises. He is survived by his beloved wife Ramona of 51 years. Mona is also an Alumni Board member.

New Association Members:

Welcome New Members

Annual Membership

Joann Lehman (*2009 Office Management and Administration*)
Christina Nuzzo (*2008 Business Administration*)

Annual Membership Plus

Erma Jones (*2009 Digital Photography*)

Lifetime Membership

William Drew (*2009 Liberal Arts and Sciences-Social Science*)
Christopher J. Meenen (*2005 Photography-New Media*)
Carol Milton (*1976 Accounting*)
Akossiwoa S. Sinon (*2009 Paralegal*)
Brandi M. Smith (*1995 Office Technology, Executive*)

College Updates

Kudos

Dr. Nancy Almann, (*Adjunct, Business Administration*), was honored at the Women's Expo May 7, 2009 with the 20 Outstanding Women You Should Know recognition presented by Cayuga Radio Group.

TC3 softball head coach, **Brent Doane** (*1993 Business Administration*) and *assistant coach*, **Jolene Phillips** (*2006 Criminal Justice*) received the honor of Fastpitch Coaches Association/ NJCAA Division III National Coaching Staff of the Year, the first time any TC3 coaching staff has been recognized.

Joan Donovan, (*Counselor*), will take a sabbatical leave fall 2009.

Dr. David Flaten (*Associate Professor, History*) received the Chancellor's/Trustees' Award for Excellence in Teaching.

Ralph Hesse (*Adjunct Instructor, Psychology*) received the

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Trustees' Award for Excellence in Adjunct Teaching.

Austin MacRae (*former Adjunct*) spoke at SUNY Cortland's graduate commencement, where he received his Master of Arts in English.

Michael McGraw, (*recently retired Director of Financial Aid*), is the winner of the NASFAA Leadership Award for the EASFAA Region. Mike also received the Chancellor's/Trustees' Award for Excellence in Professional Service.

Barbara Nelson (*Secretary, Global Connections/Dean of Students*) received the Chancellor's/Trustees' Award for Excellence in Classified Service.

Dave Path, (*Computer Support Associate*), will take an administrative leave during the 2009-2010 academic year.

Miguel Piery, (*Assistant Professor*), Modern Languages, will take a sabbatical leave spring 2010.

Dr. Daniel Pukstas, (*Professor of English*), published a book, *Upside Down and Blindfolded*. The book covers his travels to Australia and New Zealand over a two-month period.

Melissa Schmidt, (*Professor of Nursing*), passed her dissertation and is now a doctor in addition to being a nurse.

Professor **Janet Swinnich** received an International Exemplary Leader Award at the Chair Academy's conference in Nashville. She was recognized for her work as our first Coordinator of Student Success.

(*Dual Credit Instructor*), **Steve Weissberg**, leader of the math department at Ithaca High School, received the Raymond Van Houtte Teacher Award from Tompkins Trust for improving education in Tompkins County.

Professor Chris Xaver, (*Communications and Media Arts*), was honored at the Women's Expo May 7, 2009 with the 20 Outstanding Women You Should Know recognition presented by Cayuga Radio Group.

TC3 Softball won the NJCAA Division III national championship last month, the first team national title in the College's history. The Panthers finished the year with a record of 35-12, with two individual players honored as all-Americans, four as all-region players, and four as all-conference players.

TC3.biz is now featured in a national organization's (LERN) exemplary programs brochure gallery.

Classified Staff Merit Awards

Betsy Bregard - *Secretary*, Human Resources
Mary Bush - *Enrollment Services Specialist*,
Financial Aid (*1992 Office Technology, Executive*)
Teresa Davis - *Secretary*, Academic Administration
Sandy Eldred - *Secretary*, Academic Administration
(*1991 Office Technology, Executive*)
Raymond Scott - *Grounds Supervisor*, Buildings and Grounds

Awards for Excellence

Jeanne Cameron - *Professor, Sociology*
Larry Chase - *Professor, Business*
Lisa Ford - *Professor, English*
Carol Morris - *Professor, Biology*
Rebecca Spencer - *Professor, Nursing*

Promotions

Katrina Campbell – *Coordinator of Advisement Services*
Sarah Hicks – *Assistant Director of Financial Aid*
Sharon Karwowski – *Director of Financial Aid*
Patrick Mercer – *Instructor of Recreation Leadership and Outdoor Recreation*
Sam Merrill – *Laborer (2008 Computer Support Specialist)*

To the Rank of Full Professor

Cornelia Rea
David Snyder

To the Rank of Associate Professor

Carolyn Boone
Alexis Dengel
Meg Garvey (*1985 Liberal Arts-Social Science*)
Miguel Piery
Marilyn Webb
Kelly Wessell

To the Rank of Assistant Professor

Danielle Bethoney

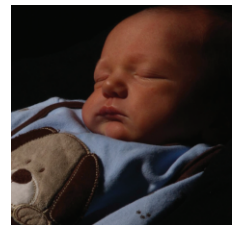
Susan Cerretani



Joan Rupe and Robin Barrows

Weddings

Joan Rupe (*Secretary, External Relations*) and **Robin Barrows** were married on April 25, 2009.



Conner Patrick

Births

To **Tracey Brunner**, (*Secretary*) (*1992 Liberal Arts-Social Science*) and **Patrick Brunner**, a son, **Conner Patrick**, 8 lbs., May 29.

To **Ryan Cochran**, (*Campus Peace Officer*) (*2008 Criminal Justice*) and **Rebecca Bergman**, a son, **Rowan Louis**, 7 lbs., 13 oz., June 4.

Three long-time employees retire

Three retirees honored for decades of service

Three employees retired from Tompkins Cortland Community College this past spring after decades of service to the College and to the community as a whole.

Michael McGraw, (*director of financial aid*), was recognized for more than 33 years of service. Mike served on numerous college committees and was a member of or served on many professional organizations. He was the recipient of the 1988 New York State Financial Aid Administrators Association Service Award, the 2004 New York State Financial Aid Administrators Association Achievement Award, and the 2009 Chancellor's/Trustees' Award for Excellence in Professional Service

Janet Morgan, (*professor of nursing and Nursing Department Chair from 2001 to 2008*), was recognized for 22 years of service. Jan served on numerous college committees and was the recipient of the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1996.

Ken Mangle, (*assistant director of financial aid and veterans affairs*) was recognized for 30 years of service to the College. Ken was a former acting registrar, served on the Student Life Subcommittee and was a member of or served on several professional organizations.

New TC3 Staff

Alison Beach – *Counselor*
Judith Brooks - *Principal Account Clerk*
Milagros Cartegena – *Assistant Professor of Nursing*
Israel Cosgrove – *Campus Peace Officer*
Vicki Dann – *Secretary, TC3.biz*
Amber Gilewski – *Instructor of Psychology*
Nicole Haviland – *Senior Library Clerk*
Michael Howard – *Campus Peace Officer*
Tamara Oliver – *Associate Director of Financial Aid*
Kevin Stillman – *Executive Chef, American Food & Vending*
Ryan Telfer – *Campus Peace Officer*
Dr. Travis Vande Berg – *Assistant Professor of Sociology*
Frieda Zuckerberg – *LEAP Program Coordinator*

TC3 Foundation

Carol Travis was honored at the Women's Expo May 7, 2009 with the 20 Outstanding Women You Should Know recognition presented by Cayuga Radio Group. Carol also received the 2009 Baden-Powell Boy Scout Council Distinguished Citizen of the Year Award.

Board of Trustees

Roxann Buck was re-elected chairwoman of the board for her seventh one-year term.

Elizabeth Burns was re-elected to her second one-year terms as vice chairwoman of the board.

John Daniels was elected to the executive committee.

Lisa Doran, assistant to the dean of operations and enrollment management, was reappointed deputy clerk.

Cathy Northrop, assistant to the president, was reappointed clerk.

William Raynor was re-elected treasurer. He has been treasurer since 1984.

Condolences

It is with deep regret we share the loss of the following friends.

Deborah Amidon-Staley's (1982, Multiple Degrees) husband, Doug Staley, passed away June 25. Debbie is a Professor of Biology.

Linda J. Pasto's mother, T. Jane Allan, passed away June 8, 2009. Linda is a Professor of Nursing.

J. Beau Saul's (1991, Criminal Justice) mother, Elizabeth A. (Betty) Saul, died on April 14, 2009. Beau works in the Office of Public Safety as the Director of Safety and Security.

Tova Sturmer's (2005, Accounting) husband, Charlie, passed away suddenly on June 27, 2009. Tova works in the Campus Technology department as Manager One Card Program.

W. Craig Tucker's (1972, Accounting) father, William, died May 14, 2009. Craig works in the Admissions office as a Seasonal Admissions Advisor.