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Message From The President

Dear Fellow Alumni:

Before I talk about our future plans, I'd like to start with a note of thanks to the immediate past president, Richard Sherman. With his outstanding leadership and valuable experience, he helped us with our continued growth and our increased participation in campus activity and facility use.

As we enter into the 90's one focus will be to continue our growing relationship with the college administration; our joining the long range planning committee is just one aspect of that relationship. Another aspect of the 1990's will be to increase alumni participation at our events through the use of local association meetings, increased availability of campus facilities to the Alumni Association, and through the use of the Student Alumni Council.

Before ending, I'd like to give a special note of thanks to the Office of College Relations and Development for their never-ending support of the Institute of Technology Alumni Association. This support is not just in name only. It is in extra evening and weekend meetings, giving the extra help above their official work areas all in the name of the Alumni Association. Without that support I feel there would not be an association today. Thank you for your continued support.

In closing, please support our association through the following ways: attending our annual Alumni Weekend, Homecoming Weekend, local meetings, participation in the annual phonathons, or through the use of the campus facilities.

Sincerely,

Allen J. Styro
President, Alumni Association
Class of 1984

History Revisited at $60 Million Picnic in Marcy

On October 7, 1989 the Alumni Association sponsored a one-day alumni reunion. The event was called the $60 Million Picnic, a figure which represents the total investment in the long-awaited Marcy campus.

Planned by the homecoming committee chaired by Leon Kozlo, '80, the event celebrated the college that was never supposed to happen on the ten year anniversary of the famous $9 Million Picnic. On October 5, 1979, students, alumni and community came together on the vacant site to call upon Governor Carey to build the college. Many feel that the $9 Million Picnic catalyzed the community movement which resulted in the decision to build the Marcy Campus 18 months later.

The anniversary picnic featured a live DJ, tours of buildings, and a menu featuring hamburgers, hot dogs, beer, soda and all the appropriate side dishes.

About 75 alumni attended, despite the weather, which was really unpleasant. Cool temperatures and very high winds limited outdoor athletic activity and caused many people to retreat to the cover of the large tent erected for the occasion. Others sought the warmth of the campus buildings, making the tours a popular event.

SUNY Tech alumni are durable, however, and the inclement weather could not daunt their spirit. All in all, everyone seemed to have a good time. The Association board of trustees will consider the merits of repeating the fall homecoming at their meeting in April.

Captured for posterity at the $60 Million Picnic are several alumni and staff enjoying themselves.

Photo 1: (1 to 5) Anthony Stefanelli Jr., '88, Pamela Gianfreda, '86, James Caddington, '88, and Rita and Randall Jackson, '88. Photo 2: (1 to 5) Tom DeBonta, '89, Maurita Burke, '89, and Margaret Menendez, '89. Photo 3: Guarding the keg (1 to 5) Kirk Starczewski, publications director, John Bach, development director, and Rob Wall, '89.
Executive Committee Attends SUNY Day 1990

On Tuesday, March 6, all the members of the Alumni Association Executive Committee joined members of the campus administration, faculty and students to meet with our legislators in Albany. SUNY Day is sponsored by the SUNY Confederação of Alumni Associations and other organizations within the University, and was designed to bring the issues we are working on to the attention of the major lobbying activity within the University. More than 350 participants from all 64 campuses and central administration took part.

The day began with breakfast at 8 a.m., at which the Chancellor and spouses were joined by the SUNY Board of Directors, to set the tone for the day. The highlight of the breakfast was the presentation to Senator Thomas W. Libous, Class of 75, with the Alumni Association’s Achievement Awards (see story below). Alumni Association president Allen Styno and college president Peter Cayan did the honors.

Breakfast was followed by panel presentations in the Legislative Office Building by Kenneth Lavalle and Edward Sullivan, chairs, respectively, of the Senate and Assembly Higher Education Committees. Other participants were Patricia McGee, Assemblywoman.

In the afternoon the 18-member delegation from SUNY Tech split into two groups and visited the offices of Assemblyman Emaneau, Assemblyman Cassale, Assemblyman McCoy, Assemblyman Sear, and Senators Donovan and Libous. During these sessions, the delegations were able to discuss both SUNY-wide and institute concerns with the budget.

The day was capped off by a reception for all legislators, as well as members of the delegations from all 64 SUNY campuses and central administration. Alumni Association participants in the SUNY Day trip to Albany were President Allen Styno, Vice President Janet Ciccarelli, Secretary Helen Sherman, Treasurer Milton Smith, Immediate Past President Richard Sherman, and a director, Sue Newland. While it is impossible to measure the immediate effectiveness of such lobbying efforts, it was generally agreed that the trip was worthwhile.

State Senator Thomas Libous Receives Achievement Award

At the 1990 SUNY Day celebration on Tuesday, March 6, in Albany, Senator Thomas W. Libous R-1, received the Alumni Association’s Achievement Award given by the SUNY Tech Alumni Association. The award, designed to be given in special instances to recognize extraordinary achievement by SUNY Tech alumni, was created two years ago at the suggestion of Glen Thompson who was then chairing the awards committee.

An engraved plaque commemorating the award was presented to Senator Libous by Peter Cayan and Allen Styno, presidents of the College and the Alumni Association, respectfully. “I am truly honored to have been singled out for this recognition,” said Libous and he pledged his continued service and a place to hang the plaque in his office.

Senator Libous was one of the first 477 students to enroll at the Institute of Technology in 1947. A member of the Class of 1975, he was elected founding president of the Utica/Rome Student Association. Since graduation, he has worked on to a distinguished career in business and politics.

Alumni Step Into the 90’s at Alumni Weekend

Come and “Step into the 90’s” with your fellow alumni on Friday and Saturday, June 7th and 8th as we celebrate our annual alumni weekend. The weekend begins with the traditional Friday night mixer to be held in the Pub. On Sunday of this year as the “Cats” Den, and the upper foyer of the Campus Center. WCOT will be spinning the discs and necking the tapes for Dynasty style entertainment. Soda, beer, wine and finger foods will be served. We’ll set up the registration table in the upper lobby near the festivities, so there’ll be one stop shopping to kick off the weekend.

This weekend Committee, chaired by Carmella Visconte, ’88, has made a change in Saturday’s format in response to suggestions made by alumni who have attended previous weekends. The day will start, as usual, with a continental breakfast at The Clubhouse and be followed by the business meeting. These begin at 9:30 and 10 a.m., respectively, and will be held in the Campus Center dining hall. At 12:00 following the business meeting, we will have an awards luncheon.

The committee has decided to switch dinner from the mid-day hour to recognize distinguished service and honorary alumni. The luncheon will also be held in the Campus Center dining hall.

The facilities are many, the options are great, good times will Alumni Dues: A Bargain at Any Price

Your Alumni Association operates are not funded by the State of New York. While state employees help to carry on day-to-day operations, and the college provides space for association activities, the cost of the newsletter, mailings, board of directors meetings, committee meetings, regional meetings, and subsidies for alumni weekend are paid for out of the association treasury.

As the number of alumni grows, costs increase. It is only through the spirit and generosity of committed alumni that we can maintain operations. There are three ways to pay dues; annually at $10.00, triennially at $25.00, and the best deal of all, life dues at $100.00. All dues paid alumni are in good standing, are eligible to hold office, receive basic library privileges, and are eligible to pay athletic fees to use the full-range of athletic facilities on campus.

If you choose to pay your dues should send their checks, made out to the College Association, P.O. Box 3060, Utica, New York 13504-3060.
Progress and Accomplishments at SUNY Tech

New Academic Programs

The SUNY Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome has received approval by the Board of Regents to begin offering in 1990 four additional undergraduate programs. Pending approval by the governor, the college will offer a new Bachelor of Arts degree major in Psychology, a Bachelor of Science degree in Technical Writing, and a new undergraduate degree, the Bachelor of Business Administration. Enrollment at feeder institutions and professional developments in these fields suggest that these programs will help fill an educational void for graduates of two-year colleges. The Institute is conducting a national search to recruit a highly reputed faculty member for the undergraduate program in photonics and help spearhead the development of a photonics master's degree program. This individual will also be expected to work closely with the New York State Photonics Research Corporation and the Rome Air Development Center (RADEC).

Recent Grants:

Center for Drug Prevention

Recently, the Institute received a $135,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education to establish a Center for Drug Prevention. Directed by Professor Alphonse Sallett, this center is developing and implementing strategies to prevent alcohol and drug abuse at the Institute, with special emphasis on anticipating the resident student population expected when the dormitory is completed in the summer of 1991. In addition to its other activities, the center will develop and spearhead the Mohawk Valley Drug Education Consortium.

Computers in the Public School Classroom

Another major project being undertaken by the Institute of Technology with a $122,860 grant from the U.S. Department of Education entails the effective incorporation of microcomputers into the K-12 Curriculum. Deborah Bauder, Director of the Learning Center, and Ronald Sarner, Associate Professor of Computer Science, have teamed with two other faculty members, Mary Planow and Alphonse Sallett, to offer a graduate-level, hands-on instructional program for public school teachers. The course will acquaint teachers with microcomputer hardware, software, and strategies for their incorporation into the K-12 environment. School teachers will attend classes during the summer and integrate appropriate experiences into their teaching during the academic year. As a result, teachers will become more competent in this instructional technology and students will have a vastly enriched learning environment.

Library Cooperation

Under a United States Department of Education grant the Institute was provided $138,000 for the development of an electronic network allowing SUNY colleges at Cobleskill, Delhi, and Utica/Rome to share collections. This will allow faculty, students, and the public access to all the collections from any single location. Mr. Bruce Keeney is the principal investigator of this project as well as the Institute's Director of the Library.

URSAT (Utica/Rome Satellite)

Using the broadcast quality television studio and KU band uplink that was provided by a special legislative grant by Senator James H. Donevan, the Institute is working collaboratively with SUNY at Plattsburgh and the State Education Department to offer graduate-level instruction for teachers of children with handicapping conditions. Live broadcasts of two graduate courses continued on next page

SUNY Tech TWIST Program Continues to Grow

Today it is a fact that women comprise not only 51% of the U.S. population but also 45% of the nation's workforce. Yet women continue to avoid fields of math and technology as career options, producing only 11% of all employed scientists and engineers. A 1986 study conducted by the Commission on Professionals in Science and Technology suggests that the low interest of women in engineering could seriously threaten U.S. technological competitiveness in the future.

The Task Force on Women's Issues at SUNY Institute of Technology Utica has made a commitment to expose young women to non-traditional career options with the continuation of the TWIST (Tomorrow's Women in Science and Technology) program. The ongoing objective of this innovative program is to encourage and support young women with an interest in pursuing non-traditional careers in mathematics, science and technology. A 1983 Rockefeller Foundation study found that girls tend to lose interest in math and science in the sixth through eighth grades and so deprive themselves of the option of pursuing careers in the sciences. Also, because fewer women than men are engineers, girls in this age group are generally less likely to have contact with women engineers and scientists who can serve as mentors and role models. Programs which expose young girls to scientific careers and the women who work in these fields have a positive impact and alert them to the scientific career options that exist.

Since the fall of 1988, more than 120 junior high and high school age girls have entered the world of science and technology at SUNY Institute of Technology Utica/Rome. While on campus, they have participated in demonstrations in fiber optics, robotics, telecommunications, and electrical engineering. continued on next page

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Nine SUNY Tech Students Receive Alumni Scholarships

Nine full-tuition alumni scholarships have been awarded to five seniors at a recent Alumni reception at the Institute of Technology. The funds for these $1,350 scholarships are raised through the Alumni Phonathon.

The four seniors receiving scholarships are: LaJeann Ciraldo, a graduate of Rockland CC, who is a medical record administration major from New York Mills; Barbara Effert, a Mohawk Valley CC graduate, who is a major in behavioral science from Utica; Yvonne Mattia, a Dutchess CC graduate, majoring in telecommunications and from Hopewell Junction, NY, and Daniel Skow, a Cayuga CC graduate, majoring in computer technology and from Waterboro, NY.

The five juniors receiving scholarships are: Michael Brando, a graduate of Mohawk Valley CC, who is a computer science major from Canastota, NY; Jack Lashomb, a graduate of North Carolina, who is a social sciences major from Norfolk, VA; Eric Uphogerov, a graduate of Genesee CC, who is an electrical engineering technology major from Darlen Center, NY; Deborah Woloszyn, a Hudson Valley CC graduate, majoring in medical record administration and from Schaghticoke, NY; and Tammy Pulaycovsky, a Mohawk Valley CC graduate, majoring in business/public management and from Utica, NY.

Each year, the generosity of our alumni has allowed us to increase the number and amount of the scholarship awards. The Alumni Phonathon is also instrumental in providing support to the Faculty Grant program. This support helps underwrite the cost of important research and development projects studied by our faculty.

16th SUNY Tech Commencement Ceremonies Scheduled

The commencement speaker will be New York State Lieutenant Governor Stan Lundine. A former U.S. congressman, Lundine is a graduate of Duke University and SUNY Tech TWIST Program

continued from last page world of opportunities for me to consider. I hope you continue this program so that other students like me can learn more about these fast-developing fields," said high school student

Due to the growing interest in these programs, the SUNY Task Force on Women’s issues will host two Mentoring Days this spring on March 2 and March 30 during Women’s History Month. The response of local school districts has been overwhelming, and their interest in providing opportunities for as many female students as noteworthy. There is no doubt that the TWIST program has kindled a new interest in fields of science and technology for young women with its mentoring days.

A special thank you to faculty members A’isha Ajayi, Atlas Hsieh, Naseem Ishaq, and Salah Qazi who support the efforts of the Women’s Task Force and donate their time and energy for these programs.

ISET Alumni Profiles: Tim Walsh, ’88

The School of Information Science and Engineering Technology (ISET), formerly the Telecommunications, Engineering Technology, and Computer Science (ETC) Division, is proud of its many graduates, including Tim Walsh. Tim Walsh graduated from the Institute of Technology in May 1988 with a degree in telecommunications. Since then, Tim has been making his mark in the field working for NYNEX. He graduated from Tompkins-Cortland Community College with a degree in electrical engineering technology and was working for Cornell University when he decided to continue his education. He enrolled in a graduate engineering technology program at SUNY Binghamton before deciding to transfer to SUNY Utica's telecommunications program.

Tim is an Associate Account Executive for NYNEX in Albany. Tim finds it rewarding to be the liaison in helping telecommunication graduates and people with telecommunications degrees are now being noticed and promoted.

Tim enjoyed his stay at the Institute. He says he was forced to work hard, but that it paid off in the end. Tim feels that his duty to let the industry know what the Institute's telecommunications program has to offer and get the word out.

Computer Science Graduates Go on for Ph.D.'s

Several graduates of the computer science programs have gone on to work towards a Ph.D. The graduates and their schools are John DeVoy - Northwestern University, John Dolan - University of Massachusetts, Evan Tinn - University of Southern California, Ping Luo - University of Southern California, Neelima Mehdiratta - SUNY Binghamton, and Heath Ailor - Cornell University and Deborah Bader - Syracuse University.

$1,000,000 in New Equipment Approved

President Cayan has approved a plan for $1,000,000 in new equipment. The money for the equipment will come from the construction funds for the AST Building. The largest amounts of money will be spent on laboratory equipment for photonic and mechanical and industrial engineering technology. Computer science and telecommunications will receive new laboratory equipment, as well. In addition, the plan provides for three chemical laboratories for the Schools of Arts and Sciences, Business and Public Management, and Nursing and the Office of Institutional Research. It will take at least six months to acquire the equipment. Future issues of Net-Work News will feature new equipment as it arrives.

Roger Cavallo Wins William Goodell Research Creativity Award for 1989

Roger Cavallo, associate professor of computer science, was selected as the winner of William Goodell Research Creativity Award for 1989. The award, which is granted in recognition of extraordinary professional research and scholarly achievement, includes a one-time cash stipend, the recipient's name engraved on a plaque, and notation in all official college publications.

Roger is a pioneer in computer science department and is involved with teaching, research and college committees. He has authored numerous books and journal articles over the years. During the past year, Roger has completed a number of professional books, several books, papers and presentations planned for 1990 and 91. Roger's area of interest is systems theory and conceptual modeling.

Roger Cavallo receiving the Goodell Research Creativity Award for 1989

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New Campus Dorms Scheduled for Fall 1991

Beginning in September 1991, students at the Institute of Technology will have campus dormitories available to them. The last element of the Phase I Campus Master Plan is the residence hall project. Bids for general contractors are currently in preparation and it is anticipated that construction will begin in the Spring of 1990.

Designed in contemporary townhouse style, the dwelling units will feature four-person apartment clusters, each of which will include bedrooms, bath, and social space. Kitchens are not planned. A total of 400 students will be accommodated.

The new dorms will be erected on a site to the west of the middle branch of Gridley Creek, across from the Campus Center. Current plans call for access by a loop road to be constructed from a point north of the Campus Center and intersecting with the service road in the vicinity of the service building. Pedestrian access will be by footbridge constructed across the creek between the Campus Center and the dormitories.

Laid out in the form of two triangles, the strips of townhouse-style dwellings will contain two triangular courts suitably landscaped for social and recreational purposes. Completion of the project is anticipated during the Summer of 1991, in sufficient time to have the residence halls ready for occupancy for the fall term.

SUNY College of Technology at Utica/Rome Has New Name

On August 2, 1989, the executive committee of the State University of New York Board of Trustees approved a name change for the State University of New York College of Technology at Utica/Rome. The upper division college is now known as the State University of New York Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome.

According to Dr. Peter J. Cayan, president of the institute, the name change was sought for several reasons. "First, our new name more appropriately reflects the college’s mission,” he stated. "It helps define more clearly our educational goals.”

Further justification for the change stems from possible confusion with several of the lower division colleges in the SUNY system. "A few years ago, the agricultural and technical colleges sought and were given permission to alter their names,” Cayan said. "Since four of the six now refer to themselves as colleges of technology, it has created identity problems. We are proud to be a senior member in the cluster of those colleges of technology, and feel this name change will help eliminate any possible misunderstandings or confusion among ourselves and our constituencies as to who we are all." 

Graduates Have A Class-y Wedding

It’s not uncommon for students to find true love among their studies at any college. At the Institute of Technology, true love went one step further on September 30, 1989. Not only did SUNY Tech supply two graduates to tie the knot, but it added five more to the wedding party for good measure.

Annette LaBuzetta, an 88 business/public management alumna and Douglas Tinder, an 88 accounting alumna, exchanged vows this past fall. Four of their wedding party were also from the Class of 1988: Charles Creamer, the best man, Richard Persons, Robin Dyger, and Linda Hughes. Rounding out the wedding party was 87 alumnus Christopher Walsh.

Alumni Newsmakers

Costello Named Branch Officer at Norstar

Suzanne M. Costello has been promoted to branch banking officer at Norstar Bank of Upstate NY. Costello joined the bank as a management trainee in 1987, having previously been employed by 3M Filo Management Systems as a marketing representative. In 1988, Costello was assigned to the Whitestown office as a customer service representative. She was transferred to the Sauquoit office in September, 1989, and in January, 1990, was assigned to the East Utica office.

The graduate of New Hartford High School, Costello received an AAS degree in liberal arts from Mohawk Valley Community College, a BS degree in business/public management from SUNY College of Technology and an M.S. in management information systems and human resource management from SUNY Binghamton. She completed several courses at SUNY Binghamton towards a Ph.D. Costello has completed Fleet/ Norstar’s Supervisory Management Training, various American Institute of Banking (AIB) Omega and other professional development courses. A past instructor for AIB, she is currently an instructor at Utica College of Syracuse University. A member of the Oikamy/Whitestown Rotary, the Business and Professional Women’s Organization, Toastmaster’s International and Norstar Bank of Upstate NY’s Speakers’ Bureau, Costello is a past director of the SUNY College of Technology Alumni Association. Costello resides in Utica.

Job & Love Leads at SUNY

In February 1984, John Wawrzaszek, not a SUNY Tech graduate, was hired as a computer programmer by the Sycon Corporation in Virginia as a result of following up a one-line job lead obtained through family ties from the Career Planning and Placement Office. John is the son of Sophie and Al Wawrzaszek, staff members at the Institute of Technology.

John’s immediate supervisor was so impressed with his job performance, he agreed to come on this campus to interview SUNY Tech students in the spring of 1985. Six of our seniors were eventually hired as a result of this recruitment visit. One of them, Cathy Dunn, as “love” would have it, became Mrs. John Wawrzaszek on October 10, 1987.

Both Cathy and John have moved on in their careers and recently Cathy called the Career Planning and Placement Office to place a job vacancy listing with us. In this instance, SUNY Tech has helped build careers and a family — what else could a college do for you?

Deiterlein Receives Faxton Hospital Endowment

Francesca Deiterlein, Class of 1981, was selected as one of ten students from throughout the state of New York to receive an externship at Faxton-Children’s Hospital in Utica. A member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors, Francesca majored in criminal justice while she was an undergraduate.

After working for years as Site Manager for the Herkimer County Chapter ARC, in Herkimer, Frankie decided to return to the classroom full-time and is currently earning her RN at Mohawk Valley CC.

Congratulations Frankie, we’re proud of you.
Class Notes

1975

Major Robert J. Mason has been awarded the Meritorious Service Medal for Outstanding Performance as Executive Officer to Major General Thomas P. Bell, Jr, at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. He is assigned to Randolph Air Force Base, Texas, as a medical career manager in charge of worldwide assignments for all Air Force general surgeons and surgical subspecialties. He and his wife, Janis, reside in Saint Antonio, Texas with their two daughters.

1976

Linda S. Jones, MS, RN, CS, CCN, is the 1989 winner of the Excellence in Nursing Administration Award given by the Oncology Nursing Society and Cytogen Corp. Linda is the associate to the assistant director for nursing oncology at the University of Rochester Cancer Center and assistant professor for nursing oncology. In 1979 she received a master's degree in nursing with clinical specialization in medical oncology nursing from the University of Rochester and joined the faculty at the School of Nursing. She has been at the Cancer Center since 1980. She is pursuing a doctoral degree in cancer nursing at the State University of New York at Buffalo where she has been named an American Cancer Society Scholar.

Bob Postiglione is owner and operator of Valley Glass at 402 Niagara Street, Utica. He had worked with some accounting firms and later in the business office of the Observer Dispatch. He was comptroller of West End Brewery for nine years. He and his wife Maureen reside in New Hartford with their three children.

1977

James E. Allen is ward administrator at F.D.R. Veterans Administration Hospital. He and his wife, Megan, are living happily on a 35-acre ranch. His address is Box 151, South Plank Road, Middletown, NY 10940. Jim would like to hear from his old buddies, Kola Akere and Kevin Dow.

1978

Betty Beaudet, RN, has been named director of nurses at Mohawk Valley General Hospital.

Robert Kleinhauser, assistant administrator of Amsterdam Memorial Hospital, has received nominee status in the American College of Health Care Executives. Nomination is the first level of professional achievement in the college. Kleinhauser joined the hospital staff in 1986. He holds a master's degree in business administration from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Judy Mauger, RN, MSN, clinical nurse specialist, was chosen by her peers for her excellence in nursing to be specialty recognized through the Health Science Center at Syracuse's 1989 Nursing Recognition Program. Currently working in the nursing department staff development office and the emergency room at the Center's University Hospital, she has been with the Center at Syracuse for 20 years.

Maura Farrell Miller, MSN, ARNP, currently a gerontological nursing practitioner in the nursing home care unit at the Miami Veterans Administration Medical Center, has been the distinction of receiving the 1989 Administrator's Excellence in Nursing Award for District 12. She has taught and lectured on gerontological nursing in various health care facilities and colleges throughout the South Florida Community.

Virginia Tempel has been promoted to associate professor at Sullivan County Community College. Virginia has been a member of SCC's hospitality division since September 1979. She is involved in industry-related organizations such as CHRIE and Cooperative Extension.

1979

Brian Jordan has been appointed administrator of Wells House. Brian is a registered professional nurse and licensed nursing home administrator. He is a member and officer of the State Association of Long-Term Care Administrators. He is past president of the Oneida County Long-Term Care Nursing Home Administrators Association and has several years experience as a nursing home administrator in the Utica-Rome area. He and his wife, Donna, have a daughter Kathleen.

1980

Florence Fileman of Catskill has been appointed by Gov. Mario Cuomo to the board of trustees of Columbia-Greene Community College. She is an instructor in vocational education for special needs students at the Rensselaer-Greene BOCES.

John Marulli has joined Upstate Federal Credit Union in Rome as the director of the consumer loan division. He will oversee the lending services at all five branches of Upstate Federal Credit Union in Central New York.

Philemona Nowakowski, director of nursing at Huntington Psychiatric Center in Syracuse, is a nominee for the state Legislature's Nurse of Distinction Award. She has worked at Mohawk Valley Psychiatric Center and taught nursing at the Marcy Psychiatric School of Nursing. She has been director for three years.

1981

Anita Fitzgerald, instructor in advertising at Cazenovia College, has been granted tenure. She has been a member of Cazenovia College faculty since 1983.

Diane Lotyzewski, has been named nurse manager at the Visiting Nurse Association of Central New York. As nurse manager Diane will coordinate and direct the activities of community health nurses in the provision of service, efficient and comprehensive nursing care to patients in their homes. Prior to her appointment, she was a VNA public health coordinator at the Crouse-Froidevaux Memorial Hospital and a community health nurse with the certified home care agency. She is pursuing a graduate degree from Syracuse University.

Marcia Martin has been promoted to director of nursing at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. She has worked at St. Elizabeth since 1966. She and her husband Wayne live in Yorkville.

Frank V. Servadio has been named coordinator of residential psychiatric services at St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center. He has been employed by Catholic Charities of Utica/Rome where he was program and residence manager. He is a resident of Whitesboro, NY.

1982

Lorna Walsh was appointed as Montgomery County's director of emergency management. Before beginning this job, she was a NY State probation officer for Montgomery District Office. Lorna and her husband, Roy, reside on Albany Street, Fort Johnson, with a law firm in Buffalo, upon completion of the state bar exam.

Vince and Sue (Blackmar) Newland announce the birth of their son. Vincent Gregory Newland was born in January, 1989. Vince and Sue reside in Wappingers Falls, NY.

Dean Obemesser, formerly of New Hartford, recently completed his training in the U.S. Marshall's Service in Gaync, GA. He graduated with honors and is currently working out of the federal office in Hartford, CT. He and his wife, Carol, live in Feeding Hills, MA with their two sons.

Joanne Peters-Brownell has completed the nurse-midwifery program at The University of Vermont and Dentistry in New York in Newark, NJ. She sat the boards for the American College of Nurse-Midwifery certification in October 1989. Joanne and her four year old son, lan, have moved to Georgia where she is employed by the Georgia Department of Health.

Kira Scott, assistant director of medical information services at Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital in Cooperstown, has been selected as Outstanding New Professional for the U.S, by the American Medical Record Association. The award recognizes an AMRA member who has shown administrative capability, leadership and creativity during the first seven years of his or her career. Scott, of Saultsont, has been a Bassett employee since 1987.
1984

Helen Dassance is the new director of nursing services at The Hospital, Sidney, NY. She joined The Hospital in February, 1989, after two years as the assistant director of nursing at Cortland Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Dassance and her husband, William, have two daughters.


1985

Janice Bowker, RN, ANP, has joined the staff of The Walton Medical Group, affiliated with Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital, in Cooperstown, NY, in the role of nurse practitioner. She received her nurse practitioner certificate from the Community General Hospital, Syracuse, NY.

Laura Guilloty writes that she married Ted Floss on November 14, 1987. They have a daughter, Amanda Lee, who was born on October 19, 1988. Laura is working as a community health nurse for Orange County in Orlando, FL. They reside at 484 Lake Heritage Cr., #815, Orlando, FL 32809.

John L. Savage has successfully completed examination and experience requirements qualifying him for licensure as a Certified Public Accountant. John has been practicing public accounting for nearly four years. John and his wife, Jane, live in Forge Hollow, Waterville, with their two daughters.

Gerianne M. Spanek was awarded a Juris Doctor Degree by New England School of Law during commencement in Boston on May 26, 1989. She plans to take the bar examination for the jurisdictions of Massachusetts and New York. While attending NESL, she was named to the Dean's List.

1986

Judi Austin-Foley was recently appointed to the full-time position of director of development at the Foothills Girl Scout Council. She has worked with the Girl Scouts in a part-time capacity for the past two years.

Robert Wiesnack has accepted the position of health services administrator for the Department of Corrections, State of Florida at Okeechobee, FL. He passed state and federal exams to be a licensed nursing home administrator.

Deborah DeNicola of Rotterdam, NY, has been named director of medical records at the Capital Region Geriatric Center and its affiliate, Capital Region Ford Nursing Home. Deborah, formerly of the medical information section of the Albany Veterans Administration Medical Center, is a registered record administrator.

Mark D. Horton is the new administrative assistant for the St. Elizabeth Hospital Family Practice Residency Program and also serves as business manager/troubleshooter for the three Family Practice Centers in Utica, NY. His duties include coordinating daily administrative activity, yearly scheduling for all residents, and coordinating lecture series. He and his wife, Lorraine, have two small children.

1987

James Critelli has been named an industrial engineer for Brewer Titchener, a division of CooperTools Industries of Cortland, NY.

Jonathan Done has been appointed as the new administrator of the Hoosick Falls Health Center, Cambridge, NY. Done was most recently employed by Health Care and Retirement Corp., which operates numerous skilled nursing facilities throughout the central portion of the United States.

Don't Forget

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1988

James Fuller has received his NYS license in health care administration. He became assistant administrator at Lakeshore Nursing Home in 1988 and acting administrator at Elm Manor Nursing Home, SNF in Canandaigua, NY, in January 1989.

Annette Labuzette has joined the John Zogby Group International Inc., a Utica-based marketing research and consulting firm, as a research assistant.

Steven LaMunion has joined ALCO Power, Inc. in Auburn, NY, as a quality assurance engineer for Detroit Diesel Products. He and his wife, Cynthia, live in Baldwinsville, NY.

1989

James Berg '87, and Judy Korkue have become engaged. James is employed at the General Electric Co. in Syracuse, NY.

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Wildcat Weddings

Lisa Baldwin '84 married Joseph Pascolaica, Jr. in September of 1989. Lisa is employed by Family Services of Greater Utica as a social worker for the Community Support System.

Barbara Bartoszek '88, and Jerry Jerome exchanged marriage vows on April 22, 1989. She is office manager for the American Institute of Architects in San Diego. The couple is living at 5906 Rancho Mission Rd., San Diego, CA.

Lisa Bonarrigo '88, married Charles Seaver on June 3, 1989. Lisa is employed by Herkimer County Trust Company. They reside at Second Avenue, Frankfort, NY.

Maria Buffa '88, and Angelo Coppelli '88, were wed on June 24, 1989. Maria is employed by Rich Plan of Utica, Inc. Angelo is a computer programmer for Commercial Travelers Insurance.

Catherine Clink '84, became the bride of Gary Kasprzakowski on November 18, 1989. Catherine received her Master's degree from Emory University at Atlanta, GA and is presently working as critical care coordinator for the department of education at Martin's Memorial Hospital in Stuart, FL.

John J. Coppola '88, and Kimberly Lewis were wed in September of 1989. John is employed as a telecommunications network analyst at SUNY Central Administration, Albany, NY.

Melody Demorest '88, and Peter Knowles were wed on January 13, 1990. She is employed by Upstate Tool Inc.

Robert Donnaruma '86, married Linda Runkowski on June 10, 1989. He is office manager at Agency Rent-A-Car. They reside on Lynch Avenue, Utica, NY.

Phyllis Doonen '87, became the bride of Joseph Bonanza on June 17, 1989. She is a registered nurse at St. Elizabeth. They reside in Westmoreland, NY.

Geralyn DiMambro '88, and William Owens exchanged marriage vows on May 6, 1989. She is head nursing coordinator at the Clayton Hospital in Clayton, NY. They make their home in Utica.

Kimberly English '87, became the bride of Thomas Schild on April 22, 1989. She is assistant director of medical records at St. Clare's Hospital in Schenectady. The couple resides in Sharon Springs.

Alesia Faroche '86, married Anthony Forlenza. Alesia is employed by Hartford Insurance, Utica, NY.

Wendy Gage '89, and Frank Lucchi exchanged marriage vows on June 30, 1988. Wendy is a registered nurse at Faxton Hospital. They reside at 6 Meadow St., Clinton, NY.

Elizabeth Galle '79, became the bride of Rocco Cole on May 20, 1989. She is employed by Greene County as a public health nurse.

David Greene '89, and Deborah Stypula were wed on June 3, 1989.
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