

Students March Against Sexual Assault



sexual assault by spreading awareness

Students unite against

By Jessica Downer Cooy Editor

Candles illuminated the many faces of faculty, staff and students who gathered on the steps of Corey Union. It was a cold night for April, but they were all there for one reason: to have their voices heard against sexual assault and Take Back the Night.

The Take Back the Night event, sponsored by Cortland Against Another Rape (C.A.A.R.), was held last Tues-day, April 5, on the Corey Union steps. The event is held once every semester to raise awareness about sexual assault on the campus and throughout the Cortland community. 60 percent of rapes go unreported, and one in four women and one in six men are sexual assaulted. This event brings these statistics to light. The event started with a welcome, followed by a speech

photo by Todd Curtis

Students march up Neubig road in the cold and chant anti-sexual assault slogans to raise awareness about sexual assualt in the community

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Raising Money for Mason

Athletes run 5k to raise money for 2-yearold Mason Koval

By Dan Harding Jr. Editor-in-Chief

Some 50 Cortland students last Saturday ran in the first ever Dragon Dash, a 5k race around lower campus sponsored by the sports management club to benefit Mason Koval. At 15 months old, Mason was diagnosed with Hypothalamic Hamartomas; a rare tumor at the base of the brain which causes seizures, premature





"I just want him to have as normal a life as possible."

puberty and behavioral problems. among other side affects.

When co-chairs of the event Christopher Depalma, Cody Komeda, and Dustin Rutz were organizing the race, they agreed that they wanted to donate their proceeds to charity. While looking for a charity to donate to, their professor George Vazenia approached them and asked that, they consider helping a young boy he knew named Mason. He

photo by Dan Harding Jr.

Mason Koval, who was diagnosed with Hypothalmic Harartomus at 15 months, smiles as his mom, Maegan Black, gives him a kiss See MASON, page 4

The Best Teacher She Can Be What's Going On?

Calendar of Events: April 14-20

Today:

- 12 p.m. Visiting scholars from the Middle East and North Africa will present, "Egypt and Tunisia as Inspirations for Revolution: The State of Democracy in the Middle East and North Africa," located in Brockway Hall Jacobus.
- 4:30 Erik Semanis will present "Creating a Malaria Consumer Market: A Business Perspective," in Bowers Hall, Room 109. p.m.
- 5 p.m. Interested in Study Abroad? Come to a Study Abroad 101 session for more information about the programs. Located in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge.

Friday:

- **All Day** Scholars Day
- Come hear the Rock and Blues Ensemble play in Brown Audito-3 p.m. rium.

Saturday:

Honors Convocation, located in Park Center Alumni Arena. 7 p.m.

Sunday:

Watch Women's Tennis take on St. Lawrence. 2 p.m.

Monday:

9:30 Come to the Dragon Chronicle meeting for free pizza and to have your voice heard. Located in Corey room 111. p.m.

Tuesday:

12 p.m. Study Abroad 101 located in Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge.

Wednesday

"Holy Times Holy Meals: Exploring Spritual LIFE," presented by 6 p.m. the Interfaith community, located at the Interfaith Center

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Student prepares for the future by getting involved in the community

By Melissa Gould Contributing Writer

As a student at Cortland who participates in school activities, Alissa Hackett continues to prepare herself for a future career in teaching, and is determined to become the best special education teacher that she can be.

When many Cortland college students relax during the week, senior Hackett participates in the Inclusive Special Education Club and the Youth Assistance Program in Cortland, which offers homework help to middle school and high school aged students.

With a major in inclusive special education and a concentration in psychology of the exceptional child, Hackett, from Kingston, N.Y., is gaining experience and knowledge to help her gain the skills that she needs to teach.

She heard about the Special Education Club from peers along with an e-mail that was sent to all students her sophomore year of college. It's now her third year with the group.

It is also her third year vol-unteering with the Homework Help program, which she learned about at the Cortland job fair. She volunteers her time and resources to help middle school and high school students grow academically and in character.

"All of these activities that I participate in are very rewarding. It's not only a learning experience for them, but for me as well. It takes a lot of patience, time, organization and energy to work with special education students, but it's well worth it in the end to see them accomplish something that they have been striving to achieve," she said. Not only has Hackett stud-

ied abroad in Ireland and student taught in Australia, but she hopes to travel to Africa this summer to work with special education underprivileged children as well.

teach third or fourth grade in an inner city or work oneon-one with special education children. In a recent inter-

view, she talked about her involvement in these programs career goals. and What does be-1. ing a part of the Special Education Club involve?

We meet once a week on Wednesday nights around 8 p.m. in Corey Union. We help participate and help coordinate meetings, fundraisers, walks, raise awareness, and participate in other



a mentor involve? ing It's great. I volunteer my time,

effort and resources to help middle school and high school students grow academically and in character. I help students make good choices regarding homework, schoolwork and personal issues. 4. What was your favor-ite activity that you did with the Special Education Club?

We had students that are in special ed from Cortland high school come in and we tie dyed clothing with them. We also brought them up to Neubig for lunch. I was able to find out first hand what special ed is and be exposed to the IEP process. 5. What is the IEP process?

It stands for Individual Education Plan. It's hard to explain, but basically it is what sort of services they are going to be given by the school according to their special needs. 6. How do you feel after working with kids in the special ed program or helping high school students with their homework?

It's a very rewarding experience and I feel pretty good about myself. I'm happy to know that this experience will help me in the future with my career. I'm using my extra time wisely by helping others instead of wasting my time being unproductive.



photo provided byAlissa Hackett

Alissa Hackett, Inclusive Special Ed. major

7. Have you participated in any other programs at Cortland?

I studied abroad in Ireland the summer of 2008, and the summer of 2010 I did my first placement of student teaching in Australia where I was the resource teacher. I worked with seven students that were equivalent to first and second graders. I worked with them in class or would take them out and work with them one-on-one. 8. What sort of activities would you do with the stuwhen you worked dents with them one-on-one?

We worked towards their IEP goals. If their goal was to improve fluency, we would make a game out of flashcards. If they were working on comprehension, I would show them a book and on each page I would ask who was in the picture, what they were doing, and how they were feeling.

If they were working on their multiplication skills I would give them 100's charts. Say they were working on their multiplication of 2's, I would have them color in every other number so they could visually see 2,4,6,8. 9. What are your future goals?

This summer I plan on going to Africa for two weeks to help underprivileged children learn how to read. I don't know too much about the program yet, but will be looking into it more within the next few weeks. I am also applying to grad schools to get my masters in literacy.

NYPIRG Takes On Legal System

Eventually she hopes to

NYPIRG works on helping campus and community in small claims court

By Melissa Kane Staff Writer

NYPIRG is New York State's largest student-directed advocacy organization where students work with a staff of professional organizers and researchers to fight for many different issues that affect us on a daily basis. Problems such as tuition, the environment, social justice, consumer protection and student rights, etc. are all different problems that the students and staff at Cortland help to protect on a daily basis. Taryn Bunger, Project Coordinator on campus for NYP- IRG, was eager and passionate about the many responsibilities that her job title holds, as well as the organization as a whole. Taryn is responsible for overseeing and implementing all of the organization's work done on campus and coordinating all the campus and statewide projects.

'I work with various faculty and administrators to keep our issues current, accessible, and relevant to the needs of the campus," explains Taryn.

Taryn also discussed the various projects the organizations is currently involved in. Not only are they finishing collecting petition signatures for their hydrofracking campaign, raising awareness for the Hunger and Homeless outreach project, and attending the NYPIRG Spring Leadership Conference, but they are also beginning to work on the Green Business Pledge which will involve reaching out to local

businesses with a list of simple actions they can take to make their businesses greener and re-

duce their carbon footprints. NYPIRG is also working on getting SCCAC up and running, which is the Small Claims Court Action Center. This center will offer free, non-legal advice to students and Cortland citizens who are interested in pursuing a Small Claims Court case.

A Small Claims Court case allows a person to sue for up to \$3,000 in town or village courts and \$5,000 in city courts. Taryn said, "For many people, Small Claims Court is the only way to seek justice for a number of common complaints, but the process can be confusing and difficult to navigate alone." NYPIRG is reaching out to local community groups to

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Room Selection A Campus Without Cigarettes

Students work on getting the housing they want for next semester

By Brittani Sahm Staff Writer

Room selection is that process every year where students on campus begin to plan and plan and plan. Sometimes there can even be panicking by those who do not get the room or suite they had their mind set on. As much complaining as there can be, most people are ultimately happy with the process and selection. Sophomore Robyn Perez was

Sophomore Robyn Perez was lucky enough to be one of the few people not on a full group form but still able to snatch a suite in Alger Hall with five of her friends. "We really wanted Clark or Higgins because of the single rooms, but we're happy with Alger because we are all together," says Perez.

we are all together," says Perez. Even though Perez and her friends were able to sign up for a suite, she still believes the actual room selection process is confusing. "Considering I'm a transfer, I didn't know anything about the process," Perez comments, "It was much easier at my last school and you weren't shut out of rooms so much."

When talking to people about room selection, their one worry is that they won't get the housing they want. Even those people who sign up using group forms can be locked out. Only 30 percent of the rooms are opened for the early birds. "The full group form isn't well organized because not everyone gets a chance," says Perez. She thinks it would be a good idea if all of the suites were open because they know who they want to live with regardless of what their time is or what is available.

But why stay on campus anyway? It seems that more and more upperclassmen are now choosing to stay on campus over finding off-campus housing. Perez is going into her junior year, but has decided to stay on campus where everything is easy access.

"I don't have a car and most places are farther than I would want to walk." Perez notes that her parents are another influencing factor because she says, "They won't let me." There are plenty of bad connotations for living off campus. Partying is a big one.

Everyone forgets about expenses, until you run out of groceries or even gas. There are bills on top of rent, sometimes parking permits are required, and you have to clean your own house. For Perez, "It is just easier to live on campus."

Now that the room selection is over, there should be no complaining or wondering where to live next year. Unfortunately, there always will be. Room selection is one of the most important decisions students must make. It will determine how a whole year of activities will be done. Being prepared and knowing what to expect are two ways you can help ease the tension for the future.

The Tobacco Advisory Committee tries to make campus smoke-free

By Caitlin Sullivan Staff Writer

"If you could choose to live in a world where cigarettes didn't exist, would you choose that? Would it be a better world?" asked Dr. Louis Gatto, professor of biological sciences at an open forum last Tuesday, about tobacco on campus.

The forum served as an opportunity for anyone on campus (students, faculty, and staff) to discuss the possibility of a future tobacco-free campus policy and was hosted by the recently presidentially appointed Tobacco Advisory Committee (TAC). The committee is comprised of dedicated faculty, students and staff, and looks to support the effort with their Tobacco Free Campus Initiative. It wishes to seek input from the entire campus community and hopes to reach out to as many people as possible.

The committee was created from Cortland's newly formed Strategic Plan for 2010-2020; one of the priorities named is well-being. The College's goal is to "become a national leader in the promotion of the physi-

cal, emotional, cultural, and social well-being of all community members." Dr. Devin Coppola, college physician as well as cochair of the Tobacco Advisory Committee with Health Educator Cathy Smith, recognizes the impact a tobacco-free policy would have on the campus community.: "Moving toward a tobacco-free campus is a huge step in promoting healthy behaviors on our campus for both our students and employees. It will show our commitment to the health and well-being of all of our campus community members and falls perfectly in line with the College's well-being priority."

The first open forum was deemed a huge success. A total of twenty-five people gathered to further discuss the topic, and as a whole, the committee was pleased with the positive feedback they received. They were so pleased that they decided to add a forum to the remaining one in order to optimize responses. These two forums will be held on Wednesday, April 20 and Tuesday, April 26 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. in Corey Union 301-303.

During the first forum, some concerns about the policy and enforcement were voiced. One person felt that this policy would be taking away the rights of people who do use tobacco. Others thought that it would be too difficult to enforce the policy because there are current college policies that are not enforced, and it would be impossible to regulate everyone at all times of the day.

Dr. Coppola's response to these concerns reflects the thoughts of the committee as a whole. "We want to make it so people will want to comply," he said. "The policy won't be punitive. There won't be arrests. We want to create culture change. Everyone would be involved in enforcement." The committee feels that the policy will create an environment where it will be easier for people to quit, and more difficult for them to start.

Student representation was high at the open forum as well. One student expressed concern about having to walk through clouds of smoke on her way to class or when she leaves her residence hall. When asked if she felt she had the right to breathe clean air and not be bothered by smoke, her response was, "Yes, of course."

At the heart of the potential policy would be the idea of respect. This would include respect for others as well as respect for the environment. By the end of the forum, it was apparent that people understood that this was not an attack on tobacco-users.

The committee hopes that the next two open forums will allow for additional feedback that they can use as they look to developing a policy. Anyone from the campus community is welcome and encouraged to attend and be heard.

C.A.A.R FROM COVER PAGE

by senior Joe Lopez. His passionate and inspired words had the audience listening closely and gave insight as to why not only Lopez, but many students participate in the event. "Throughout life, you never

know what people have been through until you sit down and listen to their story," said Lopez. Lopez was followed by President Bitterbaum, who thanked attendees for participating in the event and gave his remarks on safety and sexual assault on campus and in the community. "The most important thing to me is safety and that people speak up against sexual assault," said Bitterbaum. After President Bitterbaum's speech, Dr. Karla Alwes got the crowd rowdy and ready to march with her inspirational chant-ing. "Our voices stop rape!" yelled Alwes, accompanied by the crowd of cold, yet motivated marchers. After the motivational speeches, the crowd started their march towards upper campus. The march itself went down Clayton Avenue, down Main Street past the bars, onto Tompkins Road, back up Neubig Road, and ended back at the steps of Corey Union. As they marched, the crowd chanted savings like, "Hey, hey! Ho, ho! Sexual assault has got to go!" " 2,4,6,8! No more date rape!", and "Hey, hey, misters, mister, get your body off my sister!" Students who participated in the event expressed their opinions about the event as a whole. "I think that it's great that people come together as a community to support this cause," said Alana Sullivan, a Cortland student. "I think this is a great way for this problem to be exposed on campus and show how much we all care."

Megan Wise, sophomore and C.A.A.R. member for one year, stated, "I feel that it's a good way to let people of Cortland know about rape, because college students are concerned about this. Bar owners and community members hear our chants through the streets. It just shows that people who go to bars are becoming involved."

Sarah White, sophomore and second semester C.A.A.R. member, talked about her involvement in C.A.A.R. "I didn't know anything about C.A.A.R. until my friend Megan told me about it. I came to a meeting and met Cathy. She was really animate about the event which inspired me to come.' Lopez, who has participated in the event every year since his beginnings at Cortland, talked about where he got his inspiration from. He said, "A special person of mine inspired me to join CAAR. I wanted the opportunity to be a part of something bigger than myself and make an impact. People may be uncomfortable about speaking up about sexual assault, but putting on events like this makes it more comfortable to speak about it, especially when people are shouting the same thing." "The turn-out was larg-er this year and it's nice to see people come out for this cause," said White. "Hope-fully the sexual assault awareness will make even more people come out to this event.'

Cortland Senior Legacy Gift

Seniors could help raise \$26,000 with commencement gift to college

By Megan O'Brien Staff Writer

Attention graduating seniors: as your graduation date grows nearer, Cortland invites you to participate in yet another legacy of the school.

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By donating a check for \$20.11 (significant to your graduation year), you can be a part of the Cortland Senior Legacy Gift at the Commencement Ceremony. If each senior gave a check for \$20.11, the entire class could raise \$26,000, which will be presented to President Bitterbaum at the Commencement Ceremony.

The money will be used to support scholarships, technological enhancements, research opportunities, cultural activities, athletics and more. So far, the senior class has raised \$5,000 for this cause. As alumni, these donations represent your lifelong commitment to Cortland. Your donation allows many other students to enjoy the fond memories that you have created in your time at Cortland.

To donate, you can pick up an envelope in the SGA office located in Corey Union or through Cortland's website with the note 'Senior Legacy Gift.' To be included in the Commencement presentation, gifts must be received by May 6, 2011.

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Lip Dub For Change

Dr. Kalteflieter's Com 350 class takes on government by lip-synching

By Tracy Caprtiotto *Contributing Writer*

As the school year winds down, do you find yourself tired of the same old routine? Spring is in the air and summer is on the horizon. It's time to spruce up that dull routine and join Dr. Kalteflieter's COM 350's lip dub!

A lip dub is basically lip synching on camera to lyrics illustrating an ulterior message. Our lip dub will take place on campus, utilizing a variety of classrooms and buildings. Whether you're lip synching in the shower or jamming out in your car, it's safe to say everyone is already prepared to be a part of our lip dub.

We are eagerly searching for active participants. Produc-

tion's rolling and choreography is moving to the fresh beats of popular songs by diverse artists, such as Eminem and Creedence Clearwater Revival.

Each song has been intertwined to convey our bold message to the government. With budget cuts, financial aid plummeting and classroom sizes rising with limited number of faculty, our SUNY Schools are suffering.

We are using the lip dub as a portal to a better and hopeful future. The one continuous shot captured on film will debut on Youtube for the world to watch. It doesn't matter if you're a senior or freshman; there isn't a better way to showcase your dance skills and innovative ideas while creating memories with your friends for a worthy cause. Remember, "None of us is as strong as all of us."

of us is as strong as all of us." The date of our lip dub is May 1. If you are interested in participating you can look us up on Facebook- SUNY Cortland's 2011 Lip dub - or email tracy.capriotto@cortland.edu.

Student Employees

By Calvin Ruthven *Contributing Writer*

Student Employment Services recognized 49 student workers who have demonstrated exemplary performance. The students were nominated by their employers and are being recognized for their contributions in reliability, quality of work, initiative, disposition, and overall contribution to their employer. Those who were recognized are: Jenna Abbott, Emily Aiken, Rebekah Andre, Nicole Arcara, Matthew Bailey, Nicolo Baldarotta, Latara Bell, Linda Bello, Elizabeth Bremer, Joshua Britt, Emily Brown,

James Brown, Jake Bryson, Kim Campbell, Toby Centerwall, Douglas Cole, Kevin Collins, Brett deManicor, Kathleen Denicola, Philip Esner, Tiffany Flynn, Cherith Harkness, Scott Hebert, Terence Horton, Kelli Hughes, Kiersten Jacobsen, Elena Krawczyk, Samantha Kuntz, Carmela Laya, Chelsea Leon, Katie LiButti, Tiffany Lewers, Katie McGraw, Jillian Miller, Claire Moore, Jessica Murphy, Brittany Onorato, Brandon Phelps, Ron Pleban, Kayleigh Quell, Brittany Ranaldo, Kimberly Samuelson, Rebecca Schnirel, Brianna Smith, Sarah Smith, Lima Stafford, Danielle Tutino, Melissa Waziak, and Kimberly Zehr.

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told them that the specialized doctors Mason needed were not covered under his mother's insurance plan and that she had been burdened with expensive medical bills. They knew immediately that this was the family they wanted to help.

help. "We are very happy with the charity we chose," said co-chair Christopher Depalma. "We hoped to make it as successful as we could so we could really help this family."

While the participants were stretching and preparing to begin the race they were greeted in person by young Mason and his family, who traveled from Pennsylvania to watch the race.

Though exhausted when they sprinted across the finish line, many participants couldn't help but smile as they saw Mason nearby.

"I love running, but it's even better when you can run to support someone in the community," said sophomore Samantha Kuntz after finishing the race.

Laughing and running around on the lawn behind park center a few yards away from the finish, with his green cup of water clutched tight in his hands, it appeared Mason was having a fun time. You would never know that he had been spending the majority of his last year in doctors' offices.

"Most of the time he is a happy kid. It's hard to tell though, even for me, if he really is happy," said his mother Maegan Blackman as she watched her son giggling and playing with his uncle. He has gelastic seizures, which aren't the typical shaking kind,

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Mason runs to his uncle John Blackman as he crosses the finish line

but laughing seizures. Doctor's say he can have between two and 100 a day; most of the time when he is laughing, he is actually having a seizure.

Still his laughter is enough to bring a smile to her face, a remarkable feat considering the turmoil she has had to endure the past few months.

On February 7, he had a nine and a half hour surgery to have half the tumor removed. He relied on a ventilator to assist his breathing for 36 hours.

After what doctors considered a quick recovery, Mason was released from the hospital but became seriously ill the month following.

"For a month after the surgery he vomited every day, everything that went into him came right out," said Blackman. "He weighed 32 pounds before the surgery and lost seven pounds from being so sick." Though another surgery looms in his future, his family says it won't be for quite awhile. For now he must endure medication for his seizures, shots for his precocious puberty, see a speech pathologist, and his regular check ups.

"It's been hard. Without the support of my family and friends this would be impossible," said Blackman. "It's amazing how supportive everyone has been."

When asked what her hopes were for Mason's future, she looked over to her son and her voice cracked ever so slightly.

"I just want him to grow up and have as normal a life as possible."

For more information or to make a donation email Maegan Blackman at munurse07@yahoo. com or visit hopeformason.webs. com.

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post advertisements for SC-CAC so that community members are aware of the service and how to get in touch with them.

When people call in, NYP-IRG counselors, who have been trained by their staff attorney, will help explain the process when a file is made. These counselors help them understand how to file, what needs to be done to make sure everything goes smoothly on court day, and how to collect funds if they are awarded by a judge.

Although this is all non-legal advice, it is extremely helpful for anyone on campus or in the Cortland community who wants to file a small claims court case. If you or anyone you know may need this advice you can call the NYPIRG center at 607-753-4815.



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Our View

Parking on campus has long been an issue at Cortland, and we have covered the topic thoroughly here at *The Dragon Chronicle*. Just about every student driver on campus has received a \$25 ticket courtesy of UPD, especially within the last three semesters, where it has become obvious that Cortland is anxious to get more money out of its student body.

A member on the staff here recently received a ticket for parking in the Day Care Center lot right next to Corey Union. The rule here is that anybody is allowed to park in reserved parking lots after 5:00 p.m. on weekdays and at all times during the weekend. This member of our staff parked in the Day Care Center lot at 5:10 p.m. on Tuesday and headed to our office to work on the paper. This person returned to their car later in the evening to discover a ticket issued at 5:17 p.m. It turns out that the Day Care Center Lot is reserved until 5:30 p.m. on weekdays, instead of 5:00 p.m. like the rest of campus.

This staff member had used this parking lot for three semesters, beginning at 5:00 p.m. and had never been ticketed. This member then tried to appeal the ticket, saying that they were unaware of the 5:30 p.m. enforcement and that they had used this lot for over a year when working on the paper, only to be turned down.

Why does the appeals process even exist? What does the UPD consider to be a justifiable appeal? Do they even grant appeals anymore, or is it just a front used to make us think they care, when really they only care about the \$25 coming in?



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Letters to the Editor:

Why are the Rev. David Beckmann and more than 4,000 other Americans participating in a national fast? They are protesting the House of Representatives budget bill (H.R. 1).

If enacted, this bill will make deep cuts in: (1) the WIC program (which supports poor women, infants, and children), (2) international health aid (four million people would lose malaria medicine), (3) emergency food aid for disaster victims and refugees, and (4) programs that aid small farmers in underdeveloped countries.

Food stamps are also targeted. These reductions in aid to the poorest and most vulnerable among us will barely make a dent in the national deficit, but they will cause more people to live miserably, go to bed hungry,

Several recent letters and articles in the Dragon Chronicle have bemoaned the "canceling" of the so-called "Monroe Fest." These comments arise from

These comments arise from a recent letter dated March 18 sent by the Cortland City Chief of Police to area residents warning them that the Department would strictly enforce appropriate city laws, which includes enforcement of the city's "Nuisance Party Ordinance," for which penalties are higher than a typical "Loud Party" violation.

What these complaining students need to understand is that this was never a legal event, but simply an activity that grew of its own accord.

The fact that this large outdoor "party" occurred before provides no basis in law for assuming that it is now somehow lawful or legitimate. (An action and, especially abroad, be at risk for life-threatening disease and starvation.

Meanwhile, the rich grow richer. In 2010, corporate profits grew at their fastest rates since 1950. There were more than 200 new billionaires last year.

During the past 20 years, the effective tax rate on the nation's richest has fallen by half.

Last year General Electric, which made a \$14 billion profit, paid ZERO taxes. While the wealthiest Americans grow ever more wealthy, 45 million Americans spend a third of their post-tax income on food and still run out by the end of the month.

One in four kids goes to bed hungry at least some of the time. We can reduce the national debt in other, much more effective ways: by cutting military spending, eliminating big corporate subsidies, and closing tax loopholes for the rich.

On CNN last week, the softspoken Beckmann said he hopes to continue his water-only fast until Easter. Others who have joined the fast--including more than 30 Christian, Jewish, Muslim, and secular organizations-- are doing so for varying periods of time.

Whether or not we join in the national fast, all of us can help by contacting our U.S. representatives and senators to say we do NOT support reducing the debt by measures that punish the poor.

> -Tom Lickona Professor, Childhood/ Early Childhood Education

that is illegal does not become less illegal just because it is repeated.)

A large-scale event of this nature can only occur legally through an organizing process that involves special application to the city for permission to hold what amounts to a block party. No such permission applications have been submitted to the city.

To take a similar example, suppose a group of students decide to hold a parade down Main Street in Cortland. While such an event might be considered a legitimate expression of free speech, it is nevertheless an activity regulated by law, and can only be lawful if individuals apply to the city for the proper permits first.

In the case of the "Monroe Fest," its public purpose is even less legitimate than a parade, and it poses a major resource and safety problem for the city and city residents; last year it resulted in two persons being stabbed, in addition to a series of other violent and non-violent infractions that appeared on the police blotter and in the local newspaper.

It is an insult to Cortland students to say that they cannot enjoy a warm weekend day without breaking the law or disrupting the good order of the community. Most students understand fully that they also live in civil society, and are bound to its rules no less than everyone else.

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Drink Away the Grades

Are some of us using college simply to drink, rather than learn?

By Eric Feuer Staff Writer

Has college changed or have the students changed? Maybe it's just the times that have changed. Growing up, college always seemed to be the place kids went college is not the last stop on the party train. If all goes according to plan, you leave college at the age of 21, meaning you are in the prime of your partying life.

Plus, what's so glorious about crowding into a smelly bar that has so many people it's probably a fire hazard, just to order watered down drinks?

I'm not saying don't go out on Wednesdays or skip class to daydrink on Friday; go ahead. Enjoy your freedom while you have the chance and don't have any regrets, but in ten years, if you can't start your day without two shots and you wonder what happened, well, college happened. Let's face it, we live in a drinking-crazed world. How many beers can I have? How fast can I drink them? How drunk can I get? Let's have a "blackout or back out" themed party. This is the mindset of a modern college student: party first and study when you aren't hung-over. But in a world where jobs aren't as available as they should be, we should use our time in school to learn as much as we can so that we can get the few jobs that are out there. Because let's be honest, getting drunk on a weeknight is fun, but going to work at Burger King the next day isn't. So put the beer down and finish the book first.

Off Campus Concerns

One may encounter a few obstacles while dealing with housing

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You get your scholastic education by day and your partying education by night. But now everyone shows up to college with years of drinking already under their belt. Do people even go to college to learn anymore?

I am a college student, so I know why we drink and why we party. School work takes its toll and everyone needs a way to relax. Plus, college is the first time your parents aren't waiting for you to get home so they can see how drunk you are.

That being said, it just seems that more people are viewing college as one big party and not four years to get their lives in order for the future.

The weekend used to start on Friday, maybe Thursday for some, but now it can start as early as Tuesday.

People say college is the last chance to party like there is no tomorrow and not care at all, which may be true; yet but

Sophomores, it's that time of year when living off campus is just around the corner. You've waited two long years to get off campus, and when you come back from summer all your problems will be solved.

Not so fast. See, even though you have already set up meetings and phone calls with landlords and made sure the price is right, your work is not yet done.

Now that you and your friends here at Cortland have come together to create a bond so strong you have decided to sign a contract binding you all into a house for an entire year, there is one last task: picking rooms.

As I saw my friends go through this complex process of picking out rooms, I realized it is not easy. How do you decide? Does the person who found the house and set up phone calls

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Consider this, Cortland

Just do it. You have the power to do your best and have it your way. You can reach out and touch someone. Be all you can be.

What I've just done is spin an inspirational speech out of some of the most recognizable brand slogans. Nike, Apple, Burger King, AT&T, and the United States Army all joined to sponsor that anecdote of inspiration.

When each of these companies began working on a marketing campaign, they all knew they wanted to sell an image of possibility, empowerment, and individuality to the masses. The best way to appeal to a consumer is to uplift them and make them comfortable.

Yes, I know this is quite obvious, but what if these companies are doing us all a disservice by inundating us with words of inspiration? What if we, as a societal whole, are devaluing a message that used to impart wisdom and inspire ambition?

Let's be honest; we've all been told we could be "anything when we grow up." We've all heard that "the world is our oyster," and that if we "put our mind to it, anything is possible." Yuck. Simply typing out these clichés and generalities makes me wince in pain, and I bet they are just as tough to read. Is this a problem? Do people even listen anymore when someone approaches them with a message of belief and possibility?

I know when I hear one of these cliché phrases, I instinctively tune it out and resort to my inner monologue of "yeah, yeah, I get it, whatever."

As a senior that has one month of college left before being shoved into a world that actually expects something from me, I feel the comfort of academia slip away, as I confront the reality of having to fill a life with meaningful, hard work.

Ask me what I wanted to be at age twelve, I'd say an NBA player. Ask me again at fifteen, I'd say Tyler Durden from Fight Club. Ask me at eighteen, I'd say a journalist. Ask me at twentytwo, I'll tell you: employed.

The point is, expectations and goals change as we grow older and out of the constraints of naïve realism. We realize, rationalize, and then settle for something. This isn't a bad thing in most cases, and settling does not jettison happiness or devalue the human experience, but it does speak to the declining effect and power of the inspirational message.

Of course we can't all be astronauts, but how many of us even try?

Many writers and philosophers have begun to question if wisdom will even exist in future generations.

Technology has changed the way information is shared, acquired, and digested, and wise words either slip between the cracks (or portals), or our attention spans have shortened to the extent where we no longer have an interest in wisdom.

Today's wise words are reserved for advertisements and marketing campaigns, and phrases that used to sell possibility, now sell a product.

Since wisdom has either faded or become cliché and ineffective, the new successful approach to sending a message might be as follows: start with a cliché subject, such as "believe in yourself, and you will accomplish anything," and then spin that cliché into an original message, all while telling a good story.

A good story will never go out of style and will always command the attention of a listener or a reader. The easiest way to reach someone is through a story that uses examples, shares emotions, and expresses relatable, believable life circumstances.

Currently, novelists, poets, screenplay writers, and philosophers are the people telling these stories. In order to restore the power and efficacy of the inspirational message, in order to make wisdom digestible and provocative once more, storytellers need to make their way back into popular culture and academia.

Unfortunately, high schools around the country are cutting poetry, creative writing, critical thinking, woodshop, and art classes from their budget in order to save money. All of the "essential" classes,

All of the "essential" classes, like math, science, English, and history, remain untouched, because they are required (rightfully so) by the government to be taught.

But what about these classes

that break the paradigm? The right side of the brain is being handicapped, as the left side is being overworked to produce similar minded individuals that ditch their dreams in eighth grade and spend the next eightto-ten years studying to become something that doesn't align with their highest, most fulfilling aspirations.

It seems as if the creative mind is no longer being encouraged, and that wisdom has been relegated and reduced to advertisement. When inspiration becomes cliché and creativity is discouraged, possibility fades.

This is the land of opportunity, and having your chance at the American dream is as American as apple pie, but what is that dream now, and what is in that pie?

This column is intended to motivate participation and feedback from our readers. Please e-mail your responses in relation to this article to dragon.chronicle@cortland.edu, addressed as a letter to the editor.

-Matt Ianno

Don't Go There!

The tale of a Chinese Food delivery man, and his hatred of competitors

By Brian Lupo Staff Writer

As a student who lives offcampus, I find my options for food to be limited. This is mostly because I don't have a car and I don't have an on-campus meal plan.

To make matters worse, I'm way too lazy to get into cooking. More often than not, I order out from some of the fine services that Cortland has to offer.

Zonies is always a good choice if it's late at night and I'm in the mood for something that's cheesy, greasy, and messy.

There's something about a calzone that makes it appealing. It's probably because one calzone at Zonies is equal to about four slices of pizza.

I suggest trying the Buffalo Chicken Zonie. It's got all the spice and flavor of a Buffalo Chicken sub inside of a calzone. I'd also recommend the Baked Potato Zonie. It has all the ingredients of potato skins bacon, cheddar cheese, and potatoes – served with a side of sour cream. Chinese food is my favorite around here and I order it just about once a week. There are several options as far as Chinese food in Cortland. There's Big Hunan, China City, and China Moon. Although I have yet to try China City, I find Big Hunan far superior to China Moon.

I've been ordering from Big Hunan for the last two years and they've been consistent with their delivery ever since, except for this one chance encounter with one of their delivery men that I'll never forget.

It was a little over a year ago. Around mid-afternoon I decided to order a lunch special from Big Hunan, nothing unusual, just a typical mid-day meal.

The deliveryman came by my apartment within a half hour of my order. He came inside for a minute while I went to my room to grab cash.

When I came back to pay the him, he had picked up a menu off the table. The menu he picked up just so happened to be for a Chinese restaurant in Dryden named Song Tao. I assured the deliveryman that the menu was not mine and it belonged to my roommate.

He didn't say anything to me. He didn't even look at me. He took the money, confiscated the Song Tao menu and left my apartment.

It appeared to me that there was some strong competition between Song Tao and Big Hunan. Was there a Chinese restaurant war going on that I was are of? I believed there The next time I ordered from Big Hunan, I purposely placed Song Tao menus on the door to my apartment to see if the same deliveryman would remove them. When I opened the door, they were already gone. It turns out the deliveryman also really hates China City too because he removed those menus from my door as well.

Three Great Americans of the Week

This week's list of three great fictional American characters

By Sam Dutkowsy Staff Writer

Arthur Fonzarelli

Leading off the inaugural three Great Americans of the Week, we have the Fonz. The character that would later grow into a television icon was played by actor Henry Winkler.

Fonzie starred in the sitcom "Happy Days," and is, without a doubt, the person people think of when they hear the shows name today.

Some memorable moments "Happy Days" fans have of the Fonz include him calling the bar's bathroom his office; his relentless, yet charming, way with the ladies; and the magical way the jukebox would always turn on when he kicked it.

Quite possibly his biggest moment in history was when he jumped a live shark on water skis while sporting his leather His death in the ring coming from Ivan Drago was devastating, but he will mostly be remembered for the legacy he left behind. First and foremost, Apollo put Rocky Balboa on the map.

If it wasn't for his cocky ways and desire to fight the man who called himself "the Italian Stallion," we would have never even heard Rocky shout the name "Adrian."

During his first entrance in the ring against Rocky he pranced around in an Uncle Sam costume and threw pennies to the crowd. It just doesn't get any more American than that.

Later on in his career, he took the man who beat him, Rocky Balboa, under his wing and helped him punch his way to victory against Mr. T.

We will always remember Creed for his red, white and blue trunks; his trash talk in and out of the ring, and the several nicknames he went by, including my personal favorite "The Count of Monte Festo."

Randy Marsh

The last American to make the inaugural three is Randy Marsh from the cartoon South Park. Just about any kid can relate Marsh to their own father in some way For example, in one episode he goes from one little league game to another little league game fighting other parents in the crowd. Pretty much every dad who has ever watched little league chirped at some other dad at some point in their lives, and no one did it better than Marsh. In other episodes, he joined the World of Warcraft and picked up Guitar Hero in order to keep up with his son's life. If I could count the amount of times my dad has tried to beat me in video games and failed, it would stretch past infinity, but it's truly the thought that counts. Everybody can see a side of Marsh within his or her own dad, making him the most iconic cartoon dad of all time.

with the landlord have first say, or do you throw names in a hat regardless of the effort put into the process? However the deed is done,

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However the deed is done, friends need to stay friends and be logical when determining the rooms they will live in come fall semester. Next semester is going to be a semester full of cookouts, Kan Jam, and outside pong, and not another worry towards picking rooms.

However, picking rooms isn't the only issue concerning new housemates living together for the first time. Paying rent, cleaning, and deciding who takes the money at the door during the weekend ragers also comes into play.

Obviously nobody wants to clean, do the dishes, or cook dinner for eight other people. So as I am sitting here watching Tiger kill it at the Masters, even though he just finished and it doesn't look likes he is going to win, I'm a little concerned about how all of these issues will be sorted out next fall.

Though I should point out I am not actually living off campus next semester-all of my friends are. So I will inevitably be bouncing around to all of their houses; it will be interesting to see how my friends, girls and guys, will handle these matters we are discussing right now. All of these issues will need to be taken care of once autumn comes. So with all of the great things living off campus offers, it also vields potential concerns. Whatever happens, I'm pumped for next semester and for the warm weather we are finally getting this semester. Personally, I think my guy friends are going to fare better than my lady friends.

jacket.

Fonz not only changed sitcoms forever, but he also changed the way our nation interpreted the word "cool," and for that we salute him. **Apollo Creed**

The next great American to be named is Apollo Creed. The "master of disaster" was played by actor Carl Weathers.

Quote of the Week:

"Wise men talk because they have something to say; fools, because they have to say something."

-Plato

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The Real World Says Domestic Violence is Not Okay

"Real World Vegas" reminds women that they don't have to take abuse

By Kimberly Mazzaro *Staff Writer*

"MTV's The Real World: Las Vegas" has caused quite a stir this season, with more drama than ever. Each episode provides more controversy and excitement as the weeks progress.

This week's episode was more intense than any episode before in that Nany reveals her traumatic past, confessing that she has been in a domestically violent relationship.

After Adam's violent episodes throughout the season, his aggression triggers the painful memories she once had to endure. Although they had become close since Nany's breakup with her past boyfriend, Adam continues to be a lose cannon that is about to explode at any moment.

In the start of the episode, Nany goes on a date with Sean, a Vanity bus boy that she has met in Vegas. Adam's jealousy is apparent; however, he still has a girlfriend, which has developed into a sticky situation between the two.

Nany envies the fun that Naiomi and Leroy have with each other and hopes to one day be a part of a casual, laid back relationship.

After her date with Sean, Nany hops right into bed with Adam, which emphasizes their unhealthy relationship. The other roommates notice their unstable relationship is bound to end badly.

In the next scene of the episode, Adam goes out with the boys for a night of drinking and brings back a girl to their suite, pretending that the girl came home with Leroy in hopes that Nany will not find out.

Adam sweet-talks the girl into kissing him but when she does not give in, he relies on his roommate Mike to kick the girl out of the suite. After she leaves, Adam crawls into bed with Nany as if nothing ever happened.

When they are lying in bed, Adam and Nany talk about their status, saying that it is okay for them to bring other people home. Adam gets angry and says that Nany has "the best of both worlds." He confesses that he did bring the girl back to the suite, and that he had lied to Nany when he said the girl was Leroy's.

Out of anger, Nany leaves the bed, while Adam goes to his fellow male suitemates saying that he will get Nany back sooner or later.

Nany confronts Leroy about what happened the night before and Nany expresses her anger towards Adam's decisions. She acts as if she does not care; however, it is clear that she does. She feels as if he views her as an idiot and is bothered by the whole situation.

Adam calls his girlfriend from home in the next scene, threatening to break up with her if she goes to a party; meanwhile, he can hookup and sleep with other girls every night.

Adam confides in his roommate about his dilemma with



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Cast members Adam and Nany lay in bed together in efforts to discuss their weird relationship status

Nany and decides to plot revenge on her, which Dustin describes as, "a ticking time bomb."

At the club, Nany discovers that her crush Sean has a girlfriend, which is a complete and utter surprise to her. Adam is pleasantly surprised by the news, labeling Sean as his "competition." Sadly enough, Nany feels like even more of a fool.

Nany confesses that she does not feel as though she deserves a good guy, but the girls try to convince her that if she feels that way, she will not find what she is really looking for. Nany gravitates towards Adam, which bothers all of the roommates in that she swore she was done with him.

Adam gets intoxicated, stirs up a fight at the club, and gets kicked out. Once returning to the suite, Adam becomes reckless, and is out of control. He hits his suitemates, throws things against the walls, and the male suitemates are scared that Adam will hit Nany, although she swears he will not.

Nany then confesses to being hit by a man in the past and breaks down. The fellow suitemates are shocked and feel horrible by this disturbing confession.

Domestic violence is something that happens too frequently and is looked past too often.

Women feel as if they are trapped in the relationship and that they have no one to turn to, but there are several ways to get help.

This episode helped relay the message that domestic violence is not okay and should not be toler-ated.

Tune in next Wednesday at 10 pm to discover Nany's hidden agenda and the consequences of Adam's actions.

Community Restaurant Warms Up The Chill of Cortland

Community Restaurant offers great food and a loving space

By Matt Tyoe Staff Writer

REVIEW

Cortland students all know the finest dining establishments in the area, right? Most know of the Hollywood Restaurant, Brix, and Deli Downtown. Some may even think Applebees is a fine place to go with friends or family. However, there is a classy, lesser-known establishment on Main Street called the Community Restaurant. From the sounds of it, you may begin to think that it is a soup kitchen for the community. That however is not the case by any means. The Community offers some Greek and home-style delights that will leave anyone feeling stuffed and satisfied. Some of the favorites that the Community offers are the rotisserie chicken and mashed potatoes. With this meal, you get a half of a rotisserie chicken and a more than ample serving of some of the finest mashed potatoes and gravy you will ever taste.

Community Restaurant is the turkey and gravy meal. This will easily be the closest meal you will have to a Thanksgiving plate in your life. The turkey is always tender and in hefty portions. The Community has a habit

The Community has a habit of leaving you with food to take home, and it offers many other good meals, such as steak and pork chops.

Not only are the meals large and tasty, but the desserts are plentiful and exquisite as well. If I could recommend anything to anyone eating at this restaurant, it would be to finish up with the Snickers pie. If you have never tasted this delectable delight, you are in for a surprise and a treat. This rich sliver of pie, with the ingredients of Snickers, leaves you wondering what else could be better. Cortland junior Andrew Buckley said, "I've never tasted a more satisfying dessert after such a good meal of turkey and gravy.² The atmosphere is one that simply oozes class. The level of simplicity of the food extends to the atmosphere. It doesn't have the bells and whistles of a restaurant like Brix, but sometimes simplicity is an undeniable treat in today's modern world. You will not find drunken college students at the Community Restaurant, but you may see Cortland's oldest couple who



Another favorite from the

photo by Matt Tyoe

Community Restaurant located downtown on Main St. opens its doors to any and every patron

have been going to the restaurant for over 60 years.

The prices are more than fair at this establishment. Meals range from around \$9.99 to \$14.99 for some the priciest dishes.

The wait service is made up of older and friendly professionals. The Community restaurant is a pillar of the Cortland dining, one that needs to be recognized by more college students. Although the Community Restaurant may not be somewhere you want to go with your buddies, there isn't a better place in Cortland to take a date or your parents when they come up for a visit.

Junior Kevin McDonnell says he has been going to the Community since he was a freshman here at Cortland. According to Kevin, "the quality and simplicity of the food and the atmosphere make it the perfect place to go with your visiting relatives."

I couldn't agree more. Anyone who has not been should make an effort to find their way down to Main St. to see what I mean. Try to experience this lesser-known gem in Cortland before you leave.

"Top Chef" Lures Viewers to the Heat of the Kitchen

Bravo's hit show "Top Chef" keeps fans wanting more food and feuds

By Ryan O'Callaghan Staff Writer

REVIEW

In theory, I should hate "Top Chef." Like a greek ship to a siren, I am tantalized by and drawn to Bravo on Wednesday nights.

In my apartment living room, I sit salivating over foie gras and saffron, ingredients I have never even heard of.

As the judges rave over Mike Isabella's brazed pork shoulder with pepperoni sauce, I sit with a bowl of Cap'n Crunch's Crunch Berries, wincing in pain as I slowly peel layers from the roof of my mouth.

It's torture. Forget the gruesome games of "Saw," or our country's favorite form of torture: water-boarding. Sit a criminal in front of an episode of "Top Chef" with a glass of water and whole grain spaghetti; he'll be talking in no time.

Despite the self-harm that goes along with watching "Top Chef," millions of viewers tune into see the "chef-testants" duke it out with artistic and sometimes whimsical dishes.

They marry flavors that don't seem conceivable in a normal person's head: Bacon Licorice Peanut Butter Hors D'oeuvres, anyone?

I started watching "Top Chef" the day of the season one finale. They had a full day marathon; I watched it straight through. From that moment on I was hooked.

There's some strange excitement that goes along with an episode of "Top Chef." Like any reality show, there's drama, but the drama comes from the extreme passion in these chefs.

"Top Chef" takes cooking to the next level, putting the chefs in crazy cooking circumstances. It's not easy to cook conch over an open flame on a beach without getting any sand in the dishes.

The challenges aren't always that drastic. Some involve cooking with just one hand or one pot. This past season, one challenge had the chefs cooking without any tools: no spatulas, can openers, etc. In the heat of the moment Fabio grated cheese through a shelf.

Season eight just ended, with the reunion airing last Wednesday. "Top Chef: All-Stars" was all about chefs from previous seasons returning for redemption. Eighteen finalists from the past seven seasons returned to the "Top Chef" kitchen to fight for the crown they had missed out on.

Richard Blais of Atlanta, born on Long Island, took home the crown. In season four, Richard was the runner up. He was the favorite to win his season, but he choked in the finale.

During the "Top Chef: All-Stars" reunion show, he said that he doesn't regret having lost back



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The talented culinary cast of Top Chef All-Stars give their "super-fly" poses for the show's promotion

in season four; it gave him a reason to look over his technique and win the toughest season of "Top Chef" yet. Blais stands out in the pack

Blais stands out in the pack of "chef-testants" for his use of "molecular-gastronomy," the study of the physical and chemical process that happens while cooking. He has made bacon ice cream and foie gras ice cream. Richard is currently hosting his own show, "Blais Off" on the science channel about his scientific cooking methods.

Blais said that he would compete again. Maybe in the future there will be a season of "Top

Chef" for the past winners.

With the end of "Top Chef: All-Stars," "Top Chef Masters" has begun. In "Masters" renowned chefs take on the quickfires and elimination challenges.

"Top Chef Masters" airs on Bravo, Wednesdays at 10.

Brix Maintains the Class, Edge, and Style

As it's one year anniversay approaches, Brix still holds up to good reviews

By Matt Tyoe Staff Writer

REVIEW

Brix Pubaria, downtown on scenic Main St, is a newer establishment in Cortland. According to Brix, a pubaria is described as "an establishment where family and friends can gather for the finest pizza and alcoholic beverages."

Brix is closing in on being open for a year and they seem to have everything figured out. Their motto on the menu is "Eat, Drink, Live," a perfect motto for a place such as Brix. Starting with the first impression, Brix is stunning. When walking into the pubaria, you im-mediately see the beautiful Italian art work, central-oval-bar, the large brick oven in the back, and the variety of tables and booths around the restaurant. Overall, the appearance is breathtaking. Brix is just a downright, welldecorated, classy place. When it comes down to experience, it is a hard one to top. While sitting at your booth, you can either occupy yourself by watching one of the many TVs or looking to the back of the restaurant where the workers hand tossing pizzas for the brick oven. Whether you are out with your parents for a classy dinner, or out with the guys for the game, Brix has what you need.

Some may get that vibe that Brix is simply just an overhyped pizza joint. They would be sadly mistaken.

The menu is more than extensive. There is obviously a spot for pizzas on the menu, but there are more choices than the standard pepperoni and sausage. There are a bunch of specialty pizzas that Brix specializes in.

The Chicken Caesar Chef's Choice Pizza even has romaine lettuce on it. There are various options like this that may surprise you. If brick oven pizza isn't your thing, that's fine because they also offer oven-baked pizzas. If you don't like any of the choices they have for pizzas, you can D.I.Y: They have a list of toppings and sauces and you can order whatever you want.

To go along with the pizza



they also have very good wings, with many traditional flavors to choose from.

They also come in bone-in or boneless wings. Aside from the traditional flavors, they have signature exotic flavors as well, such as Bourbon-Hawaiian, Mango-Habenero, and others. They also have many appetizers, salads, and hot and cold deli sandwiches to choose from.

Aside from the traditional pizza place choices, Brix offers a variety of pasta dishes. There are many pasta choices to choose from. My favorite is the Crown City Riggz. These are familiar to anyone from the greater Utica area. Around there they are called Chicken Riggies, and Brix does a decent job with the dish.

Like the pizza, if there isn't something that suits you, you can

photo by Matt Tyoe

The decor inside of Brix appeals to patrons who are looking for a restaurant with an upscale feel to it

D.I.Y with the pasta as well. All in all the menu is extensive and has really anything you are looking for.

Brix is like that friend of yours that is a perfect, well-mannered kid around your parents, but when they go away on vacation he is the kid who is going crazy getting the party together.

After nine o'clock, Brix goes into bar mode. The bar scene is mild during the day. People may enjoy a beer or a few drinks with their food, but when nighttime comes the switch flips to party mode. The music gets turned up loud, the bar gets crowded, and they have various drink specials after 9 P.M. Brix also has a pool table and dart boards.

Brix has many drinks to suit your tastes. They seem to have more beer choices than most bars in Cortland. There is also a vast collection of wines and alcohols. They even have premade drinks on the menu. One of these drinks is called the 607, which contains 6 shots of 6 different vodkas in a pint glass with a splash of juices in it.

At the end of the day, Brix is a restaurant that wears many hats. It can be the classy establishment you need to take a date to, or just another party bar in Cortland. Either way, it is a great place to spend time in Cortland.

AreYouinfor"thecontrollersphere"? We Love "Arthur"

Of Montreal set to release their new EP "thecontrollersphere"

By Steve Hernandez Staff Writer

Of Montreal and front man Kevin Barnes are at it once again. They are to release their newest effort, an EP titled "thecontrollersphere," through Polyvinyl Records on April 26, 2011. I decided it was worth the

money to have it a bit early, so I received an instant download of the EP. Of Montreal's sound evolves with every release, big or small, and this new EP is no exception.

The band has twenty-six releases, including everything from EP's and LP's, to compilations, and remixes. With each release, the band has managed to add a new aspect to their already distinctive sound, which just so happens to put Of Montreal miles ahead of other bands.

This time around, Of Montreal has ventured into yet another formerly uncharted territory: lengthy instrumental segments in their songs. The songs on the EP are, to say the least, chaotic.

Being an avid fan of Of Montreal, I have never had to listen to any of their releases more than once in order to figure out whether or not I like it. "thecontrollersphere" is a different story. I had to listen to it five times before I was sure how I felt about it. To no surprise, it turns out that I like it quite a bit.

"Black Lion Massacre," which is the EP's first track, is an ominous and mainly instrumental track that is likely what made me unsure of my feelings toward the release. Barnes does lend his



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The band defines their unique personalities in this promo shoot

vocals to the track; however, the verse is brief and more of a spoken word segment than actual vocals.

"Black Lion Massacre" keys listeners into the fact that "thecontrollersphere" will not be full of lighthearted melodies and catchy keyboard solos like the band's other material.

"Flunkt Sass Vs The Root Plume" incorporates more lyrics than the first track. The repeated chorus in this song certainly exemplifies the EP's tendency toward the depressive side of Of Montreal: "Even this ghetto world that has nothing doesn't want me." Despite the depressing lyrics, it is my favorite song off the EP along with "Slave Translator.

"Holiday Call" follows the same format as "Black Lion Massacre," and details a conversation Barnes has with God, who is in the form of a woman he has just met. "L'age D'or" follows Barnes as he begins to realize how wrong his relationship with that same woman is.

"Slave Translator" is Barnes' way of expressing his apparent discontentment with the world, and more specifically with the woman in the previous two songs. The lyrics at the end of the song are: "Slave translator I want you, I hurt. I'm cutting myself and I feel like dirt."

Overall, "thecontrollersphere" may take a few listens to get used to, especially if listeners have not heard the band's other material, but I'm confident that others can grow to appreciate as much as I have in the last week.

I'm not certain how many more changes Of Montreal can make to their sound, as they have made such changes countless times, but it will be exciting to see what they come up with next.

Hit movie "Arthur" stirs up laughter, realism, and sentimental emotion

By Justin Atkinson Staff Writer

REVIEW

The new comedy "Arthur" hit theaters last weekend and is taking audiences by storm. This is a laugh-out-loud comedy and is well worth the price of admission. "Arthur" stars Russell Brand

as Arthur; Helen Mirren as Arthur's nanny, Hobson: Jennifer Garner as Susan, and Luiz Guzman as Arthur's chauffer Bitterman.

"Arthur" was directed by Jason Winer, who also directs the hit television show "Modern Family.'

The plot of "Arthur" is Ar-thur was raised in total luxury. His family is wealthy beyond compare and has billions of dollars. Ever since he was a child his every whim has been catered to by his nanny, Hobson, and his chauffeur, Bitterman.

But the party starts to wind down when Arthur's mother insists that he marry Susan, the daughter of a multi-millionaire who isn't too welcoming to Arthur and really doesn't want Arthur to be his future son-in-law. However, Arthur is opposed to the idea due to the fact that he and Susan have nothing in common; Arthur rejects the proposal after falling in love with Linda, an outspoken restaurant server with a knack for petty larceny.

As a result, Arthur's inheri-

tance is rescinded because he didn't marry Susan. This puts Arthur in a tough spot and it leaves him to try and function among the working class to the best of his capabilities.

"Arthur" is a comedy, and while it has some romance in it, I wouldn't call it a romantic comedy.

Arthur has a lot of good messages throughout the movie, and at times it makes the audience think that love is more important than money; it is the feel good movie of the year so far. The movie is rated PG-13,

but it's a movie for everyone and it's a little less than two hours long. Even if you don't like Russell Brand, because you might find him annoying or obnoxious, this is one of the better movies that he has done.

Russell Brand and Luiz Guzman make a great pair in the movie, and there are plenty of quotable lines from the movie that you will use with your friends.

Some Cortland students have seen "Arthur" and this is what they thought of the new comedy: Cortland junior Andy Buckley said, "I didn't want to see this movie, but my girlfriend dragged me to it. But I'm happy that she did because it was a movie worth watching."

Cortland graduate student Clint DeVinney said, "Arthur made me cry from laughing and because it was such a touching story; I feel bad for anyone who hasn't seen this movie yet."

I think people should follow what their fellow classmates have said, do themselves a favor, and go see Arthur.

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Mutron Warriors Intoxicates Fans at Stone Lounge

Ithaca-based band, **Mutron Warriors shakes** up music with Afro-Beat

By Jessica Downer Copy-Editor

The sounds of funky music and dance came from the Stone Lounge on Main St. in Cortland. This music was the music of the soulful Mutron Warriors.

This Ithaca-based band had the house moving to their jazzy afro-funk music with driving rhthyms.



other band commitments, and band size, the Mutron Warriors average about a gig a month. They play in any venues that are willing to have them, and all different kinds of gigs including parties and weddings.

When they play they fill the house with many people who come out to support the band.

Adrienne Huffman is a frequent attendee of the band's shows and she stated her reasons for coming back again and again: "The band provides awesome beats to dance to," said Huffman. She also talked about the passion Yaman shows for his saxaphone playing: "You can really tell that Jamie enjoys being up there. His Saxaphone playing really resonates with me. Other people who attended the show had comments such as, "I can't help but dance to their music," or, "I came all the way from Syracuse just to hear them play.' Though the band members love the music they play, they make it about the fans that come out to support them. "Of course I would want everyone to be positively affected by our music, but all I can do is put the music out there and have it touch them in anyway it can," said Yaman." 'Music washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life.' I can only hope that our music is doing that to our listeners." Catch the Mutron Warriors in their next show at Castaways in Ithaca on April 23rd.

The genre of the band would be decribed as Afro-Beat, a genre formed by the late Fela Kuti, after he saw James Brown perform in Africa. It is described as having heavy rhythems, beats, and a large horn section.

The band members come from all over Central New York, including Syracuse and Cortland, but mostly from Ithaca. Its nine members include Mark Weinand, Lee Hamilton, and Jamie Yaman on saxes, Chuck Janvrin on bass, Elisa Sciscioli on vocals and sax, DJ Gourd on guitar; Stefan My-ers on lead guitar, Steve Reichland on drums and Adam Gold on keyboard.

"If you put all rock, bluegrass, soul, funk, and jazz and any other kind of music you could think of in a blender and mix it up, you'd get our sound," said Jamie Yaman, one of the saxophone players.

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At left, vocalist and saxaphone player Elisa Sciscioli; at right, Yaman, one of the band's sax players

Yaman, who has been with the band for a year and a half talked about the band's influences. "Our influences definitely come from the older soul of the 60s and

Dj Gourd who has spent thousands of hours and dollars trying to find hip, funk, and soul music. When he DJs in Ithaca, he plays very rare funk and soul.'

Some of the band's popular songs include "Sad Chicken," "Seduction," "Mutiny," and "90% of Me is You."

Due to scheduling conflicts,

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Just Let the Bats Do the Talking.

Softball team outscores **New Paltz in Tuesdays** amazing doubleheader

By Mark Nader Staff Writer

Cortland brought their bats against SUNY New Paltz on Tuesday afternoon at Dragon Field. The nationally twentieth ranked team in the nation slugged their way for 10-2 and 12-1 victories.

In game one, Lyndsay Rowell pitched a complete game going the distance in the five inning game. Rowell scattered four hits, struck out two and allowed two runs, one of them earned. Donnalyn Cross started the game off with a bang hitting her fifth homerun of the season for an early 1-0 Cortland lead. The Red Dragons would get another run in the second when Tara Donnino hit a single to right field, scoring Lorraine Stoddard. The Hawks would answer with a run of their own in the third. The Hawks hit three consecutive singles to begin the inning before Samantha Barra grounded into a double play, scoring Jillian Gallagher. Cortland would respond with eight runs over the next three innings. Cortland's fourth inning began with a leadoff double from Katie Fusco. Donnino followed with a double down the right field line scoring Charlotte Freed who pinch ran for Fusco. After Cross and Lucia recorded outs. Cassie



Cassie Kardias came out swinging with two homeruns in the first game and a one more in the second

Cardias unloaded on a Gallagher in the bottom of the inning. pitch for a two-run homerun that went over the centerfield fence, giving Cortland a 7-1 lead. New Paltz would add one in the fifth while Cortland added three more

Game two was more of the same for the Red Dragons with the home team jumping on the Hawks early. Cardias hit her second homerun of the and fourth

of the season giving Cortland a 1-0 lead after one. Winning pitcher Abby Martin struck out the side in the top of the second which gave way for the Red Dragons eleven-run outburst in

the bottom of the inning. The Red Dragons sent 17 batters to the plate in the inning. The scoring fest began with back-to-back doubles by Jessica Harmon and Stoddard. This gave way for Meaghan Kohler's three-run shot to centerfield. The Hawks then replaced starter Gillian Davidoff with Emily Collanzo who was unable to stop the bleeding. The first batter Collanzo would face was Beth Lamison who clobbered a homerun for a solo shot. Donnino then reached on a fielding error by Collanzo. Cross then joined the homerun party with a shot down right field giving the Red Dragons a 7-0 lead. Donnino would be a part of the scoring later in the inning this time knocking in the final two runs of the inning with a single to right centerfield. Cortland would go in cruise control from there. Martin went three innings allowing the lone Hawks run while striking out five. She was followed by Morgan Kuhn who went two scoreless innings with two strikeouts herself.

Cortland improved to 19-3 and 8-0 within SUNYAC. The Red Dragons continue to dominate the conference and now have won 31 straight SUNYAC games with their last loss coming on April, 18, 2009; a 5-3 loss to the hands of SUNY Brockport. The Red Dragons are off until next Wednesday when they will visit the University of Rochester for a non-conference doubleheader.

Athletes of the Week

Lucia Meola and Aaron Schuldt earn this week's **AOTW title** By Ashley Wysocarski Staff Writer

Lucia Meola is willing to do whatever it takes to get her team a victory, which is what helped her to become this week's Athlete of the Week. Meola was also awarded the SUNYAC Softball Player of the Week, a further testament of her triumphs.

During a 4-0 week for the lady Red Dragons, Meola carried an astounding .636 batting average. In a double-header versus SUNYAC rival Oneonta, Meola earned three RBI in each game.

Just this past Saturday, Cortland faced another SUNYAC foe, this time to battle for the number one spot. Fredonia and Cortland entered the doubleheader both undefeated in conference play, and sharing the top spot. Meola put in an A-plus



Lucia Meola had 6 RBI during Cortland's DH game against Oneonta Her batting average sits at a swung, threw, and even his style."



effort to help Cortland walk away on top.

During the first game, Meola went three for four, and scored two runs. She added another run in the second game. Cortland handed Fredonia two crucial losses, moving Cortland to a national-ranking of 20th in Division III. Meola has had much personal success this season, but she makes sure to remember softball is a team sport.

"I think the most challenging part about softball is the fact that it is individualized, but you have to work as a team at the same time. When you are up to bat it's just you, but the only way to score if you're on base is if someone else hits you in- so everyone's own game has to come together. Whether it is hitting or fielding we have to work as a team, Meola said.

On the season, Meola has accumulated 15 runs, 15 RBI, and that's just the beginning.

staggering .456, with a slugging percentage of .649. It's not all about the offense though, and Meola carries a strong glove to make sure that she does what she can to prevent other teams from getting on base. So far this season, she has an impressive

.926 fielding percentage. While lessons are learned, and stances are tweaked with each season, for Meola her basis of play came at a much younger age. She learned from someone she spent every day of her childhood with, learning how to improve her

play. "I have always grown up watching my older brother play sports: football, basketball, and baseball; he did it all and I wanted to be like him. He plays with so much passion and love for the game and you can see it on the field during every play. When we were younger I would love when he would let me play/practice with him because I tried to copy everything he did: how he ran,

Meola said.

The softball team has a busy week to try and improve their national ranking, facing New Paltz, Rochester, Geneseo, and Brockport.

On the men's side, Aaron Schuldt earns the title of Athlete of the Week. His complete game performance against Brockport on the 28th of March earned him respect throughout the conference.

During the game, Schuldt allowed just three hits, and the only run scored by the Golden Eagles was unearned. Shutdown showings have become something of an expectation for Schuldt when he pitches.

On the season, Schuldt has kept his E.R.A. down at 1.27, and has three wins with just one loss in 35.1 innings pitched.

Coming up this weekend, the Red Dragons baseball team has games against Oswego and Fredonia.

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Warriors Win All-Star Classic

Three Cortland ruggers selected for the 2011 All-Star game

By Teddy Montalvo Staff Writer

Three Cortland ruggers represented C-State this Sunday in this year's All Star match, as a NYS Upstate Beaver.

First to be selected was Senior scrum half Tony Aqualina or "Aqua" as he's known on the field. Aqua was first selected last year for his skill and athleticism, and he was chosen again after he helped lead the ruggers to a NYS Championship.

Next to be selected were Senior Props Mike Compton and Kevin Fullan or "City of Compton" and "Jumanji", respectively. They were noticed for their impressive performance in the SUNY Championship Tournament on Saturday.

The three Cortland All Stars helped the NYS Beavers defeat Metro NY 31-20. "Aqua" started the match at scrum half. With no prior practice with his unfamiliar team, he was consistent in getting the ball out to the wing. His precision passing led to a number of scoring plays, while his endurance helped him play strong the entire first half. "Aqua" was replaced the second half by another scrum half from upstate NY.

The second half "City of Compton" and "Jumanji" came in as props. "Jumanji" had a spectacular game. He fought for possession at every ruck and had an impressive assist on the wing. Following one of his teammates he received a pass towards the outside; from then he sucked the defense in and passed it just in time to another all-star who ran it in for the score.

"City of Compton" helped maul, or drive, a player in from the ten meter line. His strength helped overpower the opposing pack, which drove his teammate in for another Beaver score. He also helped steal the ball at a number of rucks and maintain possession at many tackles.

"It was a great opportunity to

photo provided by Teddy Montalvo Tony Aqualina, Mike Compton and Kevin Fullan were selected to represent the C-State Warriors in the 2011 All-Star game on Sunday

be able to represent Cortland in an out that I was going to play with All Star match. We all played so well which made it even better", "City of Compton" said after the game

"I was really excited to play in the match, but when I found

my fellow Cortland Warriors I was pumped," "Aqua" said. "Jumanji" said "It was great. I love Rugby and it was an amazing opportunity to be able to try out for a Regional team.'

The All Star match served as a try out for a Regional Upstate team, where the best of NY will face neighboring states in the New England area.

Cortland also enters the Upstate Tournament this Sunday in Watertown, and Fort Drum. Last year in Watertown Cortland defeated Barracks for the Blue Ball tournament; this year they look to take the Upstate Title.

Track & Field Dash Competitor's Hopes

Red Dragons bring the heat during the **Moravian Invitational**

By Brittani Sahm Staff Writer

The first sign of spring was seen as the Cortland track and field team fired up the track at the Moravian Coach P Invitational held at Moravian College in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania last weekend.

The sunshine and warm weather brought out some great performances as many athletes met both SUNYAC and ECAC standards. Two performances on the women's side placed first in their event and most other performances were in the top-ten for each event.

Sarah Bonnell ran a season personal best time in the 100 meter dash to win the event in 12.60 seconds. The women's

4x400 meter relay also had a season personal best time while winning it in 4:01.63. Both of these performances not only put these athletes on top of the charts for the weekend, but they are also the current leading SUNYAC times as well.

Cortland dominated on both the men's and women's side in the 400 meter dash with seven girls and four men taking top-ten positions. The women took the second, third, fifth, sixth, eighth, and ninth place as Abby Vander Veen led the group with an ECACqualifying time, and season best time of 59.84 seconds. The men finished strong too by taking the fourth, sixth, seventh, and tenth places in the race. Gino Bisceglia had the top time for the men with a time of 49.16 seconds.

The field events stomped on their competition with all of the men jumpers finishing in the top-five of their respective event. Coming back strong after an injury left over from the indoor

season, Tomas Velasquez jumped 6.89 meters (22' 7.25") to take second place in the long jump. Along with Velasquez, Cortland finished with third and fifth place as well.

Triple jumper Will Razzano took third place jumping 13.79 meters (45' 3") along with Kenny Sinclair who came in fourth in the same event. Amber Stephens finished in fifth place as the sole women triple jumper for Cortland.

Justin Torres had a great performance day by placing in the top-ten of all three the events he competed in. On top of that, he achieved a season best in all three. Torres's best finish was a third place in the shot put with a throw of 40.96 meters (134' 04"). He also placed seventh in the discus and tenth in the hammer throw. On the women's side, Ashley Gansle finished tenth in the javelin throw.

On the track, the women's 100 meter hurdlers controlled the

competition with three ECACqualifying times, while having solid placements. Nikki Schafer placed the highest at third place and a time of 15.56 seconds. Katie Darling and Brenna Filipello finished in the fifth and ninth spots.

All in all, the Moravian Coach P Invitational was a huge success for both the Cortland men's and women's track and field teams. The teams will attend the Army Meet held at West Point, NY on Saturday, April 16th.



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Who Can Stop The Orangemen?

Syracuse ousts Princeton; retains their number one spot

By Justin Atkinson Staff Writer

The Syracuse Orange men's lacrosse team took its undefeated record and number one ranking into Princeton last weekend, but they got a lot more than they bargained for. In the first half Syracuse instilled their will on Princeton, and they took a 5-2 lead into the locker room into the half. In the first half, the Orange got goals from Josh Amidon, Jeremy Thompson, two goals from Stephen Keogh, and Tommy Palasek. Princeton got their goals from Luke Armour and Chris McBride. The second half, though, was

a completely different story and the Princeton Tigers really came alive and took it to the Orange. Less than five minutes into the quarter Princeton scored the first goal of the third quarter when attack man Mike Grossman fired the ball past Syracuse goalie John Galloway. Then just over a minute later, Princeton added its second goal of the second half when one of the Syracuse defensemen botch a pass right in front of the Syracuse's net and Princeton attack man Chris McBride made the Orange pay for their mistake as he scored an easy goal from point blank range. That was McBride's second goal of the game. Princeton eventually did tie the game with 28 seconds left in the third quarter when a Princeton attack man fired the equalizing goal from just a few feet away. When the third quarter ended, Syracuse's lead was wiped away and the Tigers could smell upset.

Syracuse's offense looked



Stephen Keogh scored three goals during the fourth quarter. They defeated Princeton 7-5 on Saturday

dismal in third quarter as they were shutout and that was one of the main reasons why Princeton was able to come back. Princeton was playing a zone defense and Syracuse just couldn't figure it out and it also helped that their goalie was on fire. In the second half alone Princeton's goalie Tyler Fiorito made ten secondhalf saves. However Syracuse found their offense in the fourth quarter. Midway through the fourth quarter, both defenses were

playing well and no goals were allowed until Syracuse's clutch player Stephen Keogh stepped up his game like always and broke the tie with his third goal of the game. Syracuse then iced the game with under two minutes to go when Orange midfielder Kevin Drew took Princeton's goalie out of the net and slipped it past him. Syracuse was up 7-5 and that was the final score. Syracuse's offense and defense both stepped up in the fourth quarter as Syracuse

shut Princeton out in the final quarter.

With the win Syracuse stays undefeated and they improve their record to 9-0 on the year, and with the loss Princeton falls to 3-7 and their dismal season continues. Syracuse has two games this week. They play Cornell at the Dome on Tuesday and Providence at the New England Lacrosse Classic in Foxboro Massachusetts.

2011 Master's Recap

Charl Schwartzel wins golf's most prestigious award

By Nate Vaji Staff Writer

Who is Charl Schwartzel? Before Sunday, the 26-year old was a successful golfer from South Africa with multiple wins on the South African Sunshine Tour and in Europe. Sunday, he put his name in history forever by winning the 2011 Masters Tournament.

Schwartzel shot a final round 66 to outlast two Australians on the final day. Adam Scott and 23-year old Jason Day finished at 12-under par, just one shot behind Schwartzel. Schwartzel birdied the final four holes of the tournament to overtake those two and claim the green jacket.

finish in a tie for third with Geoff Ogilvy and Luke Donald. Woods was 5-under on the front nine, with help from four birdies and an eagle on the par five eighth hole. Woods however played even

par on the back nine, finishing with three straight pars. Woods was unable to knock in the key birdie putts when needed to move to the top of the leaderboard.

Through the first three rounds, 21-year old Rory McIlroy held the lead. McIlroy shot an opening round 65 to open up a lead. He would increase his lead going into the weekend with a 69 on Friday. McIlroy then shot a 70 on Saturday to hold a four shot lead at 12-under par going into the final day. McIlroy was one-over par on the front nine Sunday, but still held a one shot lead at the top of the leaderboard. Things would drastically

form, especially Sunday, after change when he teed off on the shooting a final round 67 to par four 10th hole. McIlroy's drive went left, hit a tree, and rolled to rest way off the fairway. He was forced to punch back to the fairway before pulling his third shot went way left of the green. His fourth shot then hit a tree branch and fell short of the green

Shot number five finally found the green, and a two-putt later forced McIlroy to card a triple bogey-seven.

McIlroy then bogeyed number eleven and double bogeved twelve and fell out of contention. In an interview with CBS after his round, McIlroy said, "I lost some confidence with my putter on the back nine. But I think I showed some character with the way I finished." McIlrov did finish with four straight parts. McIlroy finished the day with an eight-over par 80 and finished the tournament tied for 15th at four-under par.

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the same for the Red Dragons, scoring 13 runs while only allowing one against R.I.T. Scott Hartling went 6 1/3 strong innings, striking out seven and allowing one hit in the victory. I'm really happy with my performance", said Hartling who kept the Tiger batters off balance with a sweeping slider and a hard fastball. "I just wanted to give our team a good outing so we can keep our momentum going into this week's games. Our team is playing great baseball right now

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by DiStefano, who scored three times and added an assist. Junior Zack Mulvaney had two goals and an assist, freshman Mark Panneton scored twice and Slavik contributed with a goal and two assists. Five others tallied one goal each with freshman Matt DiMarco netting the first goal of his career. DeLuca chipped in with two assists and won 9-of-11 face-offs. Winterfeldt contributed with team highs of six ground balls and four caused turnovers. Goalie Scott Tota made 10 saves in his second career start.

Senior Ryan Lowe gave Ithaca the lead at 10:51 of the opening quarter, and junior Tom Mongelli then made it a 2-0 game with 47 seconds left in the quarter. His goal would be the last for Ithaca until the 10:05 mark in the fourth quarter. Cortland took control of the game with 11 straight goals; the Red Dragons led 6-2 at the half after Panneton and DiStefano each scored twice.

Cortland then outscored Ithaca, 4-0, in the third quarter to push its lead to 10-2. Mike Tota, DiStefano, Hopps and Mulvaney each scored once. Hayes opened the fourth quarter with an unassisted goal to make it an 11-2 game, and senior Michael Silipo ended the Bombers' drought off an assist by junior Devin Weinshank at 10:05. Sophomore Thomas Casey and DiMarco followed with goals for the Red Dragons, and Mongelli finished the scoring with eight seconds left on the clock.

With these two wins, Cortland upped its record to 7-2 overall and 2-0 in the league. Cortland will travel to Rochester to face Nazareth on Monday, then come back home on Wednesday to host Oswego in conference play.

and I'm happy I gave us a good outing to keep it rolling in the right direction.'

Nick Thode led the charge for the Red Dragons going 2-3 with two doubles and three RBI, while Zach Graczyk went 3-3 with a double and two runs scored for Cortland who had 12 players' record hits. Cortland now stands alone atop the SUNYAC Conference with a 7-0 record and look to add to it with conference games this week. The Red Dragons traveled to Oswego yesterday for a doubleheader and visit Fredonia for a three game stand this weekend.

Tiger Woods returned to

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Cortland's baseball team keeps steak alive; wins 10th straight game

By Mark Nader Staff Writer

Many have tried, but right now nobody is able to stop the Red Dragons. Cortland has now won ten games in a row with their last loss coming over their spring break trip. Since returning from Florida, Cortland has outscored their opponents 57 to 18 and have given up one or zero runs in six of those contests.

This past week the 20th nationally-ranked Red Dragons went 7-0 and received a nohitter from Travis Ratliff in a 1-0 victory over SUNY Plattsburgh. Ratliff struck out eight and walked three in the seven inning game. Plattsburgh's best chance to break up the no-no came in the top of the seventh but defensive replacement, Adam Smith, who entered the game in the inning, made a running catch to keep Plattsburgh hitless. Ratliff was not the only one with an impressive pitching performance. Aaron Schuldt Michael Mahay, Mike Assman, Zach Badanes, Peter Lompado and Scott Hartling all had impressive starts, keeping opposing batters puzzled throughout the week. "We have a great pitching staff," said Hartling. "All of our guys work real hard 100% of the time, and when you have guys that are committed like that you're going to succeed."

After taking care of inconference opponents Oswego and Plattsburgh during the week, Cortland took care of business in three non-conference games this weekend. After winning a close



John Adornetto hit a homerun and brought four batters home when Cortland sweeped St. Vincent

first game one, 7-6 versus Mt. St. Vincent, the Red Dragons made sure they could breathe easy in the second game of the double header verses the Dolphins. Lompado improved his record to 2-0 in the 9-0 victory over the Dolphins. Lompado went 4 1/3 innings while only allowing one hit which was a liner off of his leg in the third inning. John Molloy would follow in relief and would continue the Red Dragon dominance on the mound as he would go 2 2/3 while striking out four without allowing a base runner. Offensively, Dan Kaplan would get the scoring started with a two run blast over the left field fence in the second. Kaplan finished 2-3 with two RBI and two runs scored. The Red Dragons would add two more runs in the inning when Matt Wild scored on a balk and Billy Ribeiro doubled in Matt June. Cortland sweeped St. Vincent Cortland would add one in the third as P.J. Rinaldi hit a sacrifice fly, scoring Tim Panetta, who had tripled to the right center gap the at-bat before. Cortland's final four runs came in the sixth from bases loaded walks by Wild and James Quinn, a sacrifice fly from Riberio and a fielder's choice from Chris Jackson.

Sunday's game was more of

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Cortland Athletics Scores

RAINING CENTER @ SUNY CORTIAN

WOMEN'S LACROSSECortland13Buffalo St.8Next: @ New PaltzMEN'S LACROSSECortland16Nazareth6

Next: vs. Oswego

GOLF placed **7th** at Vassar Invitational **Next:** @ Amherst Jack Leaman Tournament

BASEBALL

Cortland 13 RIT 1 **Next:** @ Oswego (DH)

SOFTBALL (Game 1)

Cortland	9			
Fredonia	2			
SOFTBALL (Game 2)				
Cortland	3			
Fredonia	0			
Next: vs. New Paltz (DH)				

Athletes of the Week



"Tougher Than Chain Mail"

Solid defense helps Cortland to defeat Brockport, Ithaca By Chris Ouellette Staff Writer

Nationally fifth-ranked Cortland outscored Brockport 6-0 in the first quarter as the Red Dragons defeated the Golden Eagles, 16-6, in a SUNYAC contest at the SUNY Cortland Stadium Complex. Thirteen Cortland players scored at least one goal, led by senior Chris DeLuca's three tallies. Freshman Joe Slavik scored twice, while junior Greg Wright and senior Jay DiStefano finished with a goal and two assists. Wright reached the career 100-point mark with his three points in the game and now has 47 goals and 53 assists for 100 points in three seasons. He reached the record with a goal late in the third quarter. During the game, Cortland used four different goalies. Freshman Scott Tota didn't make any saves in 18:52, while sophomore Mike Kaminski stopped two shots and allowed only one goal in 16:15. Junior Kyle Gaebel made one save and allowed three goals in 11:52; freshman Nick Costabile played the last 13:01 and recorded three saves while not being scored upon. Senior Eric Parah, Pat Hayes, and DiStefano all scored in the game's first 1:42 to give



Jay DiStefano conributed to The Red Dragon's win over the Bombers with three goals and an assist

Cortland a 3-0 lead. Freshman Brian Winterfeldt, junior Eric Richards, and Slavik also scored in the opening quarter.

Brendan Rothfuss scored the first two goals of the second quarter to close draw Brockport within 6-2, but Slavik then started a 5-0 Cortland run that pushed the lead to 11-2. The Red Dragons led 12-3 at halftime and 14-5 after three quarters.

On Wednesday night, Cortland men's lacrosse team went on an 11-0 scoring run that spanned 35 minutes, 42 seconds from late in the first quarter to early in the fourth quarter to defeat the Ithaca Bombers, 13-4, in non-conference action at the SUNY Cortland Stadium Complex.

Nine different players scored for the Red Dragons, led

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Lucia Meola Softball SUNYAC Player of the Week after batting a .636 and had three doubles, and seven RBI



Aaron Schuldt Baseball

Pitched a complete game against Brockport striking out nine and allowing only one walk