

SUNY cites Simmonds for excellence in professional service

Thomas R. Simmonds, director of facilities design and construction, has received the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Professional Service.

"Tom is a leader, an innovator and a consummate professional," President Deborah F. Stanley said. "His leadership has been the face of major facilities renovation initiatives on our campus for seven years and is primarily responsible for our success."



Simmonds

Simmonds first came to Oswego as an undergraduate in 1979 to study industrial arts education and stayed for a master's degree and, then, to build his career at the college. His first full-time job was supervising the campus furniture shop. Within three years, he received the Campus Environment Award.

While still a graduate student, he was offered a new leadership opportunity: to create and coordinate a new facilities maintenance operation for the residence halls as assistant director of housing for facilities. He oversaw the furniture shop, custodial operations and maintenance trades for an 11-building, 4,000-bed residential community.

In this role, he demonstrated "his ability to direct a complex organization, engage in strategic planning and manage a multimillion dollar budget," according to Chuck Weeks, director of residence life. He oversaw the first major renovation project at Oswego, the \$8 million overhaul of a nine-story residence hall into the Hart Hall Global Living and Learning Center. He coordinated the work of the architectural firm, the general contractor, and the state agency managing the project, the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York.

Excellence in delivering

In his current position, "he has, in every facet of his performance, exemplified the superb leadership, technical expertise, and personal skill that define excellence in the development and delivery of capital projects," wrote Associate Vice President for Facilities Jerry Desantis, who nominated Simmonds for the award.

Among the major renovation and construction projects to which Simmonds has been a key contributor are the renovations of Johnson and Riggs residence halls, Lakeside Dining Hall, Rich, Poucher and Swetman halls and the west wing of historic Sheldon Hall; and the construction of the \$25.5 million Campus Center.

"An example of the type of leadership exhibited by Mr. Simmonds is the unqualified respect he has achieved among contractors, consultants, state authorities and the community," Desantis said. "Throughout a more than \$150 million capital program, Mr. Simmonds has managed, without exception, to build and maintain a team atmosphere where all parties are committed to the quality of their work and the success of their project."

Simmonds is a member of the Society of College and University Planners and a state-certified building code enforcement official.

Colleagues also cited him as a valuable contributor to the efforts of the campus development office, an adjunct faculty member in the technology department and a coach with youth programs in the community.

"He is simply a 'go to' colleague who always gets things done," said Kerry Dorsey, vice president for development and alumni relations. □

— Julie Harrison Blissert



Ready to connect — After Commencement, broadcasting major Brooke Wacha will tune into the prestigious International Radio and Television Society's Summer Fellowship Program in New York City. Wacha is shown at WRVO, where she interned, volunteered and served as a paid student producer.

Many graduates have ambitious plans

After nearly 1,400 students participate in the first Commencement events in the new Campus Center on Saturday, May 19, they will head off for their own new beginnings.

Graduation for the College of Arts and Sciences will take place at 9 a.m. Those graduating from the School of Business and School of Education will take part in their 1:30 p.m. ceremony.

Amanda Polun will return to the U.S. Department of State's passport services in the Counselor Affairs Office. During her internship there last summer, Polun found herself helping in the middle of an international crisis when Israel closed its borders with Lebanon in response to terrorist activity, and the State Department needed workers to staff a special 24-hour crisis response center.

"Part of my job was talking to U.S. citizens with family and friends there, taking information, putting it in a database for the staff in Lebanon, getting people flight information," she recalled. "You create such a connection with people when you know you're helping and making a difference."

A business major from Homer, Polun was surprised to earn the paid position in "one of the best internship programs" available. She will return there for a three-month paid internship, expecting it to result in a permanent position.

Her time in Oswego, the internship and professors like Steven Abraham in management have her interested in a future in international affairs, with the potential for overseas assignments if she stays with the State Department.

Radio content provider

Brooke Wacha, a broadcasting major from South Salem, will participate in the competitive International Radio and Television Society's Summer Fellowship Program in New York City. After a week of orientation workshops and field trips, she will have an eight-week placement doing "a little bit of everything" at MJI Interactive, which provides news and Web content for hundreds of radio stations.

"I'm looking forward to the research end of it, helping radio stations make better connections with listen-

ers," said Wacha. "I'm very interested in how listeners think and how radio stations can appeal to them."

Wacha said time with campus-based National Public Radio affiliate WRVO was a big plus. She said the staff was accessible and allowed her hands-on work as an intern, volunteer and student producer. She also praised Oswego's "really amazing" professors who tend to bring work experience into the classroom.

"I'm hoping that through the fellowship I can make connections and find a job, preferably in New York City," Wacha said. "It's the biggest metro market and someplace I'd like to be."

Pursuing special ed

Rick Shea's next step combines working full-time with autistic students in an early-intervention preschool program and attending graduate school in adolescence special education at the College of St. Rose in Albany.

A native of Fonda, Shea said Oswego's education program "did a great job preparing me for the real world of teaching. While going through the classes, I didn't always see the big picture but now that I'm almost done with my student teaching, I do see the big picture."

Shea also credited the campus residential experience as a crucial part of personal development. "The three years I lived on campus were some of the best experiences in my life," he said.

Doctoral plans

Abigail Moore will attend Purdue's doctoral program in English on a prestigious Ross Fellowship. She will pursue literary studies, focusing on American literature and feminist theory.

Working in the Office of Learning Services' Writing Center and assistant teaching a composition class convinced her that she wants to become a professor, she said.

Moore, who is completing her master's in English at Oswego, said many of her professors encouraged her, and she particularly credited her mentor, Patricia Clark of the English and creative writing department. □

— Tim Nekritz

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3 professors honored for teaching excellence

David Vampola, director of the information science program and a visiting assistant professor of computer science since 1998, has received the SUNY Oswego President's Award for Teaching Excellence this year.

Two adjunct faculty members, Victor Licatase in the psychology department and Andrew T. Wolfe in the accounting, finance and law department, are the recipients of the Provost's Award for Teaching Excellence by Part-time Faculty.

In stating his teaching philosophy, Vampola called learning "a great adventure" and teaching "one of the highest activities in which a person can engage."

"Vampola's teaching evaluations by students continue to be some of the best in the department," said Rameen Mohammadi, as chair of the computer science department. "Students love and respect him."



David Vampola

Computer science colleague Bill Bosch, who nominated him for the award, described Vampola as "the renaissance person on campus."

With degrees in philosophy, mathematical logic and social science/history from Loyola, Notre Dame and Tufts universities, Vampola teaches computer science, information science and cognitive science courses and in the Honors Program. For the past two years, he has co-directed Oswego's Interdisciplinary Programs and Activities Center.

Adjunct faculty awards

Licatase has worked as a counselor in the Hannibal school system and teaches introductory and adolescent psychology at Oswego.



Victor Licatase

"His ability to relate to students and bring the classroom alive is now somewhat legend in the department," wrote Distinguished Teaching Professor Jacki Reihman in nominating him for the award. "It cannot be overstated how excited students are with this man."

A former student, James Ververs, wrote, "Vic challenges everyone in his classes to live up to his or her full potential . . . and although he hasn't been my teacher in several years, I still find myself hoping that I'm making him proud." Ververs is enrolled in the medical physics doctoral program at Virginia Commonwealth University.

Colleague Ed Lonky shares an office with Licatase. "His office hours are always full, his classes always overflowing, and lines of students are always hoping to get into his sections," Lonky said.



Andrew T. Wolfe

Wolfe, a former president of the Oswego County Bar Association, teaches business law courses and developed a course in cyber law that he delivers online.

"Over a number of semesters, Mr. Wolfe has been evaluated by students as the most effective teacher in [the department] and in the School of Business," wrote department Chair Richard Skolnik in nominating him.

A master's in business administration student, Rory J. Carrier, explained: "Professor Wolfe's ability to keep his classes interesting, exciting, enjoyable and inclusive is remarkable."

A recent graduate, Michael Taber, added: "My experience with Mr. Wolfe has made me passionate about law, and I am in the process of applying to law school." □

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People in action

Bruce Altschuler, professor of political science, was the outside evaluator for review of the political science program at Richard Stockton College in Pomona, N.J. from April 18 to 19. He chaired a panel titled "Executive Influence" at the Midwest Political Science Conference in Chicago on April 13. He was interviewed by BBC World Service radio on the subject of President Bush's likely veto of the Iraq war spending bill on March 29.

Kestas Bendinkas of Oswego's chemistry department and **James Mandel** of Cornell University organized the Sigma Xi Northeast Regional Undergraduate and Graduate Student Poster Conference at Cornell on April 21. About 180 participants from 26 universities presented 75 posters. From Oswego, seven faculty and 17 students from the departments of biological sciences, chemistry and psychology presented their research. Faculty included **Leigh F. Bacher** (who was a judge), **Rebecca L. Burch**, **B. Diane Chepko-Sade**, **James A. MacKenzie** (chief undergraduate judge), **Amy B. Welsh** and **Karen Wolford**. Oswego students included **Robert Bird-sall**, **Margaret Casper**, **Krista Cunningham**, **Kryss Cushman**, **Steve Kempa**, **Bethany Leece**, **Natasha Mapes**, **Katie Miloski**, **Rachel Olson**, **Erin Pierce**, **Linda Poole**, **Erica Princiotta**, **Sara Rassing**, **Tiffany Scharadin**, **Jose Valdez**, **William Von Dollen** and **Kara Wallace**.

"Red Mist: How Small Presses Rescue Classic Genre Writers from Oblivion," an article by **Thomas F. Bertonneau** of the English and creative writing department, appears in the current issue of *University Bookman*.

Robert Card, associate professor of philosophy, presented his paper "Moral Prescriptions: Conscientious Objection and Emergency Contraception" at the central meeting of the American Philosophical Association, held in Chicago from April 18 to 21. This paper has been accepted for publication in the *American Journal of Bioethics*. It will be published along with 12 commentaries on the paper from thinkers in philosophy of medicine at institutions such as the University of Chicago, University of Texas Medical Branch and Weill Medical College of Cornell University.

Diane Dillon, women's ice hockey coach, participated in a panel discussion at the annual American College Hockey Coaches convention in Naples, Fla., held April 25 to 29. She was asked to be part of the panel of women's hockey coaches because she has

experience in both the Division I and Division III levels, as well as the experience of restarting Oswego's program this season.

Geraldine Forbes, distinguished teaching professor of history, was invited to give a paper at the conference "Patronage and Power: Women Movers and Shakers in the Indian Subcontinent," held April 20 at the Library of Congress. She presented "Sarojini Naidu and the Other Nightingales of the Indian Struggle for Independence."

A paper by **Shashi Kanbur** of the physics department; **Ampalavanar Nanthakumar** of the mathematics department; student **Richard Stevens**, a math major who has since graduated; and **Chow-Choong Ngeow** of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign has been accepted for the *Publications of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific*. "Investigations of the Non-Linear LMC Cepheid Period-Luminosity Relation with Testimator and Schwarz Information Criterion Methods" develops new statistical methods to study non-linearities in the Cepheid period-luminosity relation.

James A. MacKenzie of the biological sciences department has an article in May issue of the journal *Biochimica et Biophysica Acta*. It is titled "Mitochondrial Protein Import and Human Health and Disease."

Peter A. Rosenbaum of the biological sciences department gave a presentation titled "The Status of Endangered Turtles and Moths Species in Oswego County" for the Oswego County Environmental Management Council on April 16. **Kyle Pursel**, a zoology major, participated.

The Institute for Humane Studies has selected **Meagan Smith**, a senior double major in journalism and music who plans to graduate in December, from among over 2,000 applicants to attend one of its free summer seminars, "Liberty & Society" at Bryn Mawr College just outside of Philadelphia from July 7 to 13. Between 60 and 70 participants will explore the ideas of classical liberalism through lectures on and discussions of history, law, economics and philosophy. Accepted applicants are awarded scholarships worth about \$1,000, covering the cost of the program, room and board on a college campus, and materials and books. The Institute for Humane Studies based at George Mason University promotes the study of liberty and the libertarian perspective across a range of disciplines. □



Image ready — Senior studio art major **Erin Place** (right) is among the students preparing for the spring semester's 2007 Bachelor of Fine Arts Exhibition at Tyler Art Gallery. The exhibition, as well as "Generations: Highlighting the MAT-Art Program," will open with a free public reception from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday. Place is doing experimental photography using a large-format view camera and Polaroid film negatives. Here **Kim Irwin** serves as the subject as **Gordon Grange** assists with the photo session. For more information, call Tyler Art Gallery at 312-2113.

Challenge Grant projects involve collaborations on species studies

Two Student/Faculty Collaborative Challenge Grants will help biological sciences students conduct important research while gaining hands-on experience studying local species.

Faculty members Peter Rosenbaum and Amy Welsh will work with students Kyle Pursel and Matthew Volny to detail the genetics of wood turtles and eastern chipmunks. In a separate study, Professor Al Lackey and student Sara Resing will determine ages and populations for northern short-tailed shrews.

The grant will purchase materials that Pursel and Volny will use for genetic analysis under Welsh's supervision.

Pursel is continuing a study with Rosenbaum on wood turtle populations in Oswego County. He will analyze collected blood samples for genetic diversity in the threatened turtles. Findings can be compared

with wood turtles in other geographic locations.

"If there's still a lot of genetic diversity, there's a lot less likely to be problems" for the species in terms of viable breeding partners, Pursel said. "I'm hoping to use the combination of field and genetic work to create a conservation plan."

In a project with Diane Chepko-Sade, Volny studied Rice Creek's eastern chipmunk population. He used a tracking technique where captured chipmunks are dusted with fluorescent powder to trace their trails at night to learn about their family structure, behavior and migration patterns, Volny said.

The blood samples from turtles and hair samples from chipmunks have been assembled through several years of captures and releases, Rosenbaum said.

The students will gain experience using the college's new Beckman Coulter CEQ8000, a high-

resolution genetic analyzer. Rosenbaum noted that the College of Arts and Sciences paid for half the \$100,000 piece of equipment, with the manufacturer supporting the other half.

"This is a good example where the fieldwork and laboratory work are intertwined to deal with conservation," Rosenbaum noted. "More and more, that's the way biologists and conservationists are working."

Resing and Lackey's project will involve trapping shrews and marking them with passive integrated transponders. These grant-funded PIT tags will allow them to repeatedly measure the length of the pigmented portion of the same samples' upper incisors — the most reliable way of determining age.

"These measurements will allow us to assign age to individuals and obtain a general overview of the age structure of this population," Resing said. "Age structure is vital to understanding population turnover rates." Age is an important factor lacking in previous longitudinal studies of this species, they said.

Other than avoiding the venomous bites of the shrews, Resing said she looks forward to the fieldwork this summer.

Preparation for graduate school

"Learning how to undertake a population study would prepare me for what I am interested in pursuing in graduate school," she said. "Through this process I hope to gather further knowledge of small mammal trapping techniques and well as doing mark and recapture studies."

Using the PIT tags eliminates the need to sacrifice any shrews, allowing them to continue their habits in the wild. Lackey described the shrew as one of the most "ecologically important small mammals in eastern North America," with this study providing the "tools to create a cross-sectional view of the demographics of the shrew population at Rice Creek Field Station."

Funding also would enable Resing to visit the Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia and compare data from Oswego's shrews with other specimens.

Initiated at Oswego in 2004, Challenge Grants of up to \$2,500 each support projects involving undergraduate scholarly or creative activity in collaboration with faculty. The grants are supported in part by a donation from Timothy Murphy, a 1974 Oswego graduate and the executive vice president and chief operating officer of the SUNY Research Foundation. □

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Gene pool — Two professors and two students are pooling resources to study local populations of chipmunks and wood turtles under a Student/Faculty Collaborative Challenge Grant. Shown working with the college's new genetic analyzer are, from left, junior biology major Matthew Volny, biological sciences faculty members Amy Welsh and Peter Rosenbaum, and junior zoology major Kyle Pursel.

Bacher, Friedman recognized for scholarship

Leigh Bacher of the psychology department and Barry A. Friedman of the marketing and management department have received this year's Provost's Award for Scholarly and Creative Activity and Research.

Bacher joined Oswego's faculty in 2001 after post-doctoral research appointments at SUNY Binghamton and Cornell University. She received her doctorate from Cornell University.

She has published 10 peer-reviewed articles in the past six years, received a \$338,000 grant from the National Institutes of Health to study spontaneous blinking in infants, and made many presentations at national and international conferences.

"She has authored substantive empirical publications that have had an impact on the field. She is an individual well known in the field of infancy research. Her work is well respected and used extensively," wrote the editor-in-chief of *Developmental Psychobiology*, George Michel of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Colleague Brooks Gump, who nominated her, noted that her articles had been cited in nine other published papers, "an impressive number for such recently published work," he said. "Her work holds great potential for making significant and enduring advances in the field of developmental psychobiology."

Her colleagues also praised the degree to which she involves undergraduates in her research, typically about five a semester. "She and her students have made seven presentations to national audiences,"

wrote Jacki Reihman, distinguished teaching professor of psychology.

Friedman was trained as an industrial organizational psychologist and spent 26 years in the corporate sector in Rochester before joining Oswego's faculty as an assistant professor in 2003.

Since then, he has produced seven articles in refereed journals such as *Industrial Relations and Employee Responsibilities and Rights Journal*; eight publications in refereed proceedings papers, including one that received the Outstanding Contribution Award at the annual conference of the Association on Employment Practices and Principles last year; and two presentations at refereed professional conferences. He also has numerous articles in progress.

"Dr. Friedman is a scholar in the true sense of the word," wrote Steven Abraham in nominating him for the award.

"Dr. Friedman has seemingly inexhaustible energy for exploring and development interesting research projects and in helping colleagues develop their work," wrote Lisa Reed, assistant dean of the University of Portland's Pamplin School of Business Administration and a co-author with him of publications on workplace e-mail privacy and employer recognition of same-sex relationships.

Friedman holds a doctoral degree from Ohio State University and has taught as an adjunct at the University of Rochester since 1979. He has also taught as a visiting assistant professor at Singapore Institute of Management and Konan University in Japan. □



Leigh Bacher



Barry Friedman

'Generations' at Tyler Art Gallery to feature many schools of work

The work of art teachers, teachers in training and students from kindergarten through high school will come together for "Generations: Highlighting the MAT-Art Program" at SUNY Oswego's Tyler Art Gallery.

The exhibition will open with a free public reception from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday in Tyler Hall.

"Generations" will take an innovative approach by joining the works of students and educators to highlight Oswego's master of arts in teaching art degree program, which prepares K-12 teachers. The selective MAT program requires entrants to have a bachelor's degree in fine arts and uses an artist-teacher model, said program coordinator Jacquelyn Kibbey, an associate professor of curriculum and instruction.

"It will be an overview of artistic abilities at all age and experience levels," Kibbey said. "We've never had a show like this before and are looking forward to sharing the wonderful talents involved with the college and area communities."

By including artwork by current SUNY Oswego student teachers, their cooperating teachers and students they are teaching, the goal is to create a cross-section of generations and styles of artistic media, Kibbey said.

"Each student teacher was allowed to select one piece of student work to enter in the exhibit," she explained. "And each student teacher and cooperating teacher were invited to enter one piece of art."

Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays and 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. weekends. □

Announcements

Retirees announced

The following members of the campus community have retired in the past year or will retire before next fall, according to the Division of Academic Affairs, President's Office and Human Resources Office. Retiring (with the year of their initial appointment in parentheses) are: Marilyn Noyes Barnes of the Business Administration Student Advisement Center (1994); Paula Bobrowski, professor of marketing and management (1997); William C. Bosch, associate professor of computer science and director of the Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching (1984); Ivan Brady, distinguished teaching professor of anthropology (1973); Harold Folls, associate professor of vocational teacher preparation (1996); Margaret Groman, associate professor of mathematics (1973); Larry Jerrett, chief of university police (1970); Mary Loe, librarian (1973); Kevi McNeilly, secretary II in graduate studies; Andrew P. Nelson, director of Rice Creek Field Station and visiting assistant professor of biological sciences (1993); Luther D. Peterson, professor of history (1970); and Harry Shock, assistant dean of students (1978). □

Clemo selected to be ACE fellow

Lorrie Clemo, assistant to the president for special projects and campus communications at SUNY Oswego, has been named an American Council on Education fellow for the academic year 2007-08, announced ACE President David Ward.

Thirty-nine fellows, nominated by the presidents or chancellors of their institutions, were selected this year in a national competition.

The ACE Fellows Program is designed to strengthen institutions and leadership in American higher ed-

ucation by identifying and preparing promising senior faculty and administrators for responsible positions in college and university administration.

An associate professor of political science at Oswego, Clemo served in Oswego's administration as a faculty fellow part time before being named an assistant to the president this year.

An Oswego faculty member since 1988, she received her doctorate from SUNY Binghamton. She was named director of Oswego's public administration minor program when it began. She is a longtime member of the college's Intercollegiate Athletic Board and currently its chair.

Most previous fellows have advanced into major positions in academic administration. Of the more than 1,500 participants in the first 42 years of the program, more than 300 have become chief executive officers and more than 1,100 have become provosts, vice presidents or deans.

Clemo will focus on an issue of concern to SUNY Oswego while spending the next academic year working with a college or university president and other senior officers at a host institution.

"We're extremely pleased with the incoming class," said Marlene Ross, director of the program. □

Faculty pursue scholarly projects

Eight faculty members received Scholarly and Creative Activities Grants this year, totaling more than \$22,000. They and their projects are:

- Leigh Bacher of the psychology department for "Eye Blinking in Toddlers"
- Richard Back of the biological sciences department for "Field Survey of the 'Bloody Red Shrimp' (*Hemimysis anomala*)"
- Kestas Bendiskas of the chemistry department for

"Novel GHB Detection Method"

- Martha Bruch of the chemistry department for "Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Analysis of Modified Silica Gel"
- Fehmi Damkaci of the chemistry department for "Synthesis of Pterocellin Analogs as Anti-cancer/Anti-microbial Agents"
- Shashi Kanbur of the physics department for "A Study of the Infrared Properties of the Large Magellanic Cloud Cepheids"
- Mary McCune of the history department for "Homeland(s): The Development of Ethnic Identity Among Polish Catholics and Jews in the United States, 1914 to 1939"
- Andrew Smiler of the psychology department for "Social Choices and Gender-related Beliefs and Behaviors" □

Professors to develop courses

Six faculty members received Curriculum Innovation Grants this year, totaling about \$12,000. They and their four projects are:

- Geraldine Forbes and Mary McCune of the history department for "HIS 370: Global Feminisms in Historical Perspectives: India, China, Poland and the United States of America"
- Alok Kumar of the physics department for "Learning by Knowledge Construction: An Innovation in the 'Beginnings of Science' Course"
- Don Masterson and Amy Shore of the English and creative writing department for "Canadian Cinema: From Early Cinema to Contemporary New Media Artists"
- Lin Qiu of the computer science department for "Developing a Mobile Technology-enhanced New Course, CSC 430/530: 'Pen-centric Computing'" □

Spotlight

Keeping up appearance of campus Randall's realm

The Campus Update Spotlight shines on Ron Randall this week. The head grounds supervisor has worked at Oswego since January.

Q. You came here at an interesting time — right before the historic snowfall?

A. The calm before the storm. In a way, it was a good way to start. I probably won't see another winter like that, so getting through the next one should be easier. The guys were amazing. They know what's important, what their job is and they do it well. I can't take any credit for what they did. I was still learning from them.

Q. How would you describe the grounds department's job and responsibilities?

A. Snow removal in winter, trying to ensure safety, cleaning sidewalks and roads and fire exits, making sure the food can be delivered, that people can get where they need. We also do all the landscaping, mowing, tree work, shrub work, flowers and parking lot maintenance. Three days a week, our crews go out and clean up campus. The entire crew, which is almost 20 guys, spends almost a full day a week just picking up. Because we do it all the time, nobody really notices that they're doing it.

Q. What is your favorite part of working at Oswego?

A. I'm just glad to be back at a school. I enjoyed my time in college and all the campus diversity. I like that I'm still going to be outside for part of my job. I enjoy being outside whether it's snowing or 85 degrees and sunny.

Q. What is your educational background?

A. I started at SUNY Delhi, then went to Penn State for my bachelor's in turf grass science. I really hope that background can add something to the campus. I hope to make a difference, especially with the athletic fields and the turf grass fields the students use.

Q. What is your work background?

A. For about the past 10 years, it's involved maintaining golf courses. I'm from Binghamton originally and spent the last three years in Corning. I worked at some really nice courses around New York City and



Philly, but it's nice to get closer to home. And this job is a little like running a golf course in some ways — the same principles, in a different setting, but managing similar resources and doing a lot of the same things.

Q. What achievement are you most proud of?

A. Probably my son, Riley James. He's 4 years old.

Q. What else can you tell us about your family?

A. My wife, Lisa, is very tolerant, as they're still in Corning while I try to find a house. We've been married for five years.

Q. Do you have any hobbies? And do they include golf?

A. I'm not really much of a golfer. When I worked at a course, when I was playing, I felt like I should have been working. I may get to golf a little more, now that it's not my job. And I'm taking courses toward my MBA. □

Police report

Since April 13, University Police have investigated several cases of theft and vandalism and made six arrests.

A Salina man employed by Diebold to service HSBC's automated teller machine in Hewitt Union is accused of stealing nearly \$3,000 from the machine. He was charged with grand larceny, a felony.

Police charged a 20-year-old Onondaga Hall resident with driving while intoxicated, refusal to take a breath test and speeding.

Officers charged a 19-year-old Oneida Hall resident with unlawful possession of alcohol.

In two incidents, officers charged three Oneida Hall residents and one Onondaga Hall resident with unlawful possession of marijuana. □

Calendar highlights

- College Hour speaker Diane Rehm, today
- College Hour speaker Stacey Prussman, today
- Music faculty recital, today
- Women's Center Banquet, May 3
- Telescope viewing, May 3
- Art exhibitions opening, May 4
- Rice Creek Rambles, May 5 and 12
- Band concert, May 7
- Jazz concert, May 9
- College-Community Orchestra concert, May 11
- Theatre senior showcase, May 12
- Torchlight Ceremony, May 18
- 146th Commencement, May 19
- College Council meeting, May 22
- Employee Recognition Ceremony, May 23
- Summer sessions begin, May 29

For a more complete calendar, see SUNY Oswego Events online at www.oswego.edu/news/calendar/. □