



Going up — Workers braved last week's bitter cold to continue progress on the Campus Center, the first new from-the-ground-up construction on campus in more than 30 years.

Broad-based support aids Campus Center

Constellation Energy recently announced a donation of \$75,000 to SUNY Oswego, including \$50,000 for the Campus Center and \$25,000 for the Oswego State Fall Classic, the proceeds of which fund the Presidential Scholars program.

"Supporting these institutions goes hand-in-hand with Constellation Energy's continuing commitment to improve the communities where our employees live and work," said Jim Spina, vice president at the Nine Mile Point Nuclear Power Plant near Oswego.

With its leadership gift, Constellation joins the ranks of a broad-based support for the Campus Center. Alumni, parents, faculty and staff, and the community are joining in to help make this signature building for Oswego a reality.

General Electric previously announced its gift of \$75,000 to the Campus Center. Eagle Beverage came on board with a gift of \$50,000 to name the lounge area in honor of its employees.

"We think the university is an absolutely vital part of the community, and that's why we choose to support it," said Dan Dorsey, who owns Eagle Beverage with partners Dennis Dorsey and Larry Morgia, a 1972 graduate of the college.

Local businessman Steve Thomas and his wife, Marianne, also donated \$25,000 to the center.

Calling the college an "invaluable asset to our community," Thomas said, "I think that the private sector, and individuals at times, through donations and our support, have to show state officials that we believe in the campus and their expansions."

Alumni support is also key, with \$25,000-level donors like Greg Adams, Mark and Cathy Baum, Mark and Vicki Haenel Fedor, Ted and Jane Friedlander Jenny, Thomas and Lynn VanOrder Lenihan, and Peter McCarthy leading the way.

Hockey alumni have great interest in the project, which will create a new home for the Lakers. Jenny is one of a group of hockey alumni determined to raise at least \$350,000 from over 400 fellow Laker alumni and hockey supporters.

For Boro Lukajic, father of Michael Lukajic, a 2004 graduate of the college, his family's gift is tied to the pride and satisfaction they feel as a result of Michael's successful Oswego career both in the classroom and on the ice in a Laker uniform. The Lukajics have funded the men's hockey coach's office.

"I am sure that most of us really want to support our school, when we consider the many ways in which we have benefited from Oswego State, and it is natural to respond by wanting to do something to inspire those who may follow us," Boro Lukajic said. □

State grant to open doors at new Center for Entrepreneurs in Rich Hall

A new Center for Entrepreneurs will open on campus through a \$125,000 state grant secured through state Sen. James W. Wright.

The center will link the expertise of SUNY Oswego's Center for Business and Community Development and School of Business with entrepreneurial education and opportunities for students and members of the business community to engage in hands-on learning, Wright said.

"The resources already available through SUNY Oswego offer local businesses tools for success and economic development," Wright said. "The addition of the new center will provide a needed niche that will foster the entrepreneurial spirit and help provide established and would-be business owners the ability

to create a coherent and decisive business plan."

The grant allows the Center for Business and Community Development to expand on and hone its programming to meet this demand, said Nancy Bellow, director of the center. "We are now starting to distinguish between small business development and services for entrepreneurs. Entrepreneurs are people who have an idea or vision, see a niche and develop their business skills around it," she said.

The grant will help launch the center by providing facilities, equipment and technology such as computers that will help entrepreneurs develop business plans and Internet-based market research. Other resources, such as a research library, expert advisers and a network of service providers, will develop as

enhancements of the center's current efforts to help small businesses, Bellow said.

"Entrepreneurs and small business owners take a risk by establishing new enterprises," Wright said. "The new center will reduce that risk by pointing them in the right direction." Entrepreneurs represent "the backbone of our economy and by helping them, we are helping support the economy of our county and region," he added.

"SUNY Oswego is very pleased that Senator Wright thought of us for the Center for Entrepreneurs," President Deborah F. Stanley said. "This center will do much to provide education and training and help us nurture and develop current and future entrepreneurs."

For more information, call 312-3492. □

Laker Days to warm up winter this weekend

The second Laker Days festival will offer home athletic contests, talent showcases, intramural tournaments, creativity competitions and other campus activities beginning Thursday and continuing through the weekend.

"Laker Days is an opportunity to do many things, all of them positive," said Sonia Robinson, coordinator of Laker Days. "One main objective is letting students know that they can enjoy themselves through healthy, fun interactions as opposed to relying on alcohol and other drugs as their socializing agents."

Several winter sports teams will host home contests. The Laker ice hockey team will face off against Potsdam at 7 p.m. Friday, and archrival Plattsburgh at 7 p.m. Saturday. The women's and men's basketball teams, who both closed the fall semester undefeated, will play Potsdam at 6 and 8 p.m. Saturday. Other Saturday contests will include Oswego's nationally ranked wrestling squad grappling with Oneonta at noon as well as the men's and women's swimming and diving teams facing Geneseo at 1 p.m.

After Friday's hockey game with Potsdam, the field

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Ready for sledding — The Human Dogsled Race, which will take to the Romney Field House ice Friday following the Oswego-Potsdam hockey game, is one of many Laker Days competitions scheduled for the campus community. Standing from left are Laker Days Steering Committee members Tim Nekritz, Scott Harrison and Sue Witmer testing a sled piloted by Ryoko Sekiguchi.

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College trends

Access threatened

“Competition for seats in public university classrooms, skyrocketing tuition and shrinking state support threaten to shut out hundreds of thousands of students nationally at a time when the demand for advanced education is increasing. Many public universities, frustrated at trying to do more with less, are pushing for greater fiscal autonomy, including the ability to raise tuition and set their own budget priorities. Some even are willing to settle for less state support. . . . The National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education . . . estimated that 250,000 prospective students were shut out of colleges in 2003 because of rising tuition or cutbacks in admissions and course offerings. Demand for higher education is increasing well beyond what states are willing or able to pay for, said Aims C. McGuinness, a researcher at the nonprofit National Center for Higher Education Management Systems. . . . With shrinking state resources and a finite number of classroom seats, colleges are becoming more selective about whom they accept.”
— Stateline.org, January 7, 2005

Alumni favor affordability

“Forty-eight percent of university and college alumni surveyed recently believe ‘making college affordable’ should be the top priority for their alma maters, according to a national survey conducted in December 2004 by Opinion Dynamics Corporation, a market research and consulting group based in Cambridge, Massachusetts. . . . The survey respondents were given nine issues from which to choose the one that should be their alma mater’s major concern. Of their choices, either college affordability or improving academic programs was chosen by seven out of 10 respondents as the top-priority issue. Improving technology use on campus and improving faculty recruitment and retention tied at a distant third. Next were improving a school’s reputation/image/visibility, attracting a more diverse student body, and renovating or modernizing campus buildings. Improving campus life and improving research capabilities, with 1 percent each, were at the bottom of the priority list. According to Opinion Dynamics, one reason alumni cited affordability as a top priority may be the concern that the average starting salaries for graduates are not keeping pace with the rising student loan debts.”
— BriefCASE, Council for Advancement and Support of Education, January 2005

Computer security costly

“Computer worms and other network pests are boring holes in campus technology budgets. More than half of American colleges and universities said they spent a greater portion of their information-technology budgets on security this year than last year, according to a Chronicle survey. Nearly every one of the computing officials who participated in the survey said their institutions had experienced worm and virus attacks during the past year, and 73 percent said those attacks had accelerated. Fifty-three percent of respondents said that during the past year someone had tried to cripple their campus networks, and 41 percent said hackers had succeeded in penetrating their systems. In response, colleges are becoming more strategic in how they protect their systems. They are hiring information-security officers, devoting full-time staff members to the issue, educating users, and developing formal plans for securing campus networks, among other measures. The Chronicle’s survey . . . was mailed to 3,000 people in September and October, with responses from 501 institutions. For scholars who depend on collaboration and quick, easy access to information, the new, more-restrictive atmosphere can be frustrating.”
— The Chronicle of Higher Education, Dec. 17, 2004

People in action



Showing art — Cynthia Clabough (right) shows fellow art faculty member Kelly Roe one of the pieces under consideration for the upcoming Art Department Faculty Exhibition at Tyler Art Gallery. The faculty exhibition, as well as the retrospective “Fifteen Years of Collecting: A Selection of Student Works of Art,” will open with a reception from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the gallery.

Gary Klatsky of the psychology department and Lin Qiu of the computer science department gave invited presentations to the joint meeting of CHIRoc and the Western New York chapter of the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society on Dec. 7. Klatsky’s presentation was an introduction to Oswego’s master’s degree program in human-computer interaction. Qiu’s presentation, “Designing for Learners, Instructors and Authors,” focused on the development of a software tool that promotes problem-based instruction. The audience was made up of HCI professionals from the Syracuse, Rochester and Buffalo areas. Following the meeting Klatsky and Qiu were joined by Songmei Han of the psychology department and Brent Farrell, a student in Oswego’s HCI program, in discussing research collaboration and participation in the HCI External Advisory Board with representatives from Kodak, Xerox and SUNY Upstate Medical Center.

John F. Lalande II of the modern languages and literatures department attended the joint fall conference of the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages and the American Association of Teachers of German. As treasurer and executive committee member of ACTFL, Lalande attended a number of business and steering committee meetings. He also presented two papers, contributed to a third presentation for new attendees of the conference, and represented Central New York at the Chapter Presidents’ Assembly of the AATG. One of his papers focused on his new culture course and the other on recommendations for the AATG’s new Committee on the Teaching and Learning of Culture.

Michele Reed, director of alumni and development communications, won the best of show and best series awards at the Oswego County Press Club’s Golden Quotes Awards on Dec. 1. Her series “Election 2004” appeared in the summer issue of the alumni magazine, Oswego. Along with Shannon Mahar, who graduated in May, and photographer Jim Russell, Reed also won the best newsletter award for the Oswego Parents newsletter. Bruce Frassinelli, an adjunct professor of journalism, won a writing award at the ceremony. He received honorable mention for a series in Oswego County Business magazine on legislators who serve Oswego County in Albany, “Are We Getting Things Done in Albany?”

Lawrence Spizman of the economics department presented his co-authored paper “The Effect of the Death of a Parent on the Future Earnings of a Minor Child” at the Allied Social Science Associations annual meetings Jan. 8 in Philadelphia. After examining

the economics and psychology literature on the question of how losing a parent impacts a child’s future educational attainment and earnings, Spizman and his co-authors attempted to quantify the effect of the death of a parent on a child’s future earnings. The authors were surprised to find that the results of their own approach and the few other econometric studies that examined this issue did not show any long-term negative economic consequences to minor children when a parent dies.

Alicia E. Vadillo, visiting assistant professor of modern languages and literatures, presented the paper “Una Vision Posmoderna de La Habana en la Narrativa Cubana de los 90” (“A Postmodern Vision of Havana within Cuban Narrative of the ’90s”) at the First Conference on Caribbean Culture and Literature, held at Marquette University in Milwaukee in October.

In Memoriam

Dorothy J. Burke, 80, of Oswego, a former secretary in the foreign languages department, died Dec. 6 at St. Luke Health Services in Oswego. □

Association names Roodin fellow

The Association for Gerontology in Higher Education has honored Paul Roodin, director of experience-based education and professor of psychology, as a 2004-05 Fellow in Gerontology and Geriatrics Education. Nationally, seven educators and scholars received this honor.

The Association for Gerontology in Higher Education is the educational unit of the Gerontological Society of America.

Roodin has been a leader in disseminating the pedagogy of service learning in gerontology. He has received nearly \$60,000 in grants to endorse the use of service learning in college classes in gerontology in the Northeast. He has presented faculty development workshops at 27 colleges in New York and Ohio and mentored 12 professors as they developed courses on aging that have a service-learning component.

Roodin is the co-author of Adult Development and Aging, published by McGraw-Hill. Now in its fifth edition, it is the second-best-selling textbook in the United States in this field. He has published about 200 articles in scholarly journals and is also the co-author of the textbooks Adult Cognition and Aging and Developmental Psychology.

AGHE fellows will be recognized at the organization’s annual meeting in February.

Roodin will be in charge of the organization’s pre-conference workshop this year and has participated in it for several years. □

Wellman’s book chronicles convention that launched women’s movement

Judith Wellman, a professor emerita of history at Oswego, recently published the first full-length account of the event that launched the women’s movement with *The Road to Seneca Falls: Elizabeth Cady Stanton and the First Woman’s Rights Convention*.

Wellman chronicled the landmark Seneca Falls convention of 1848, as well as how leaders and movements came together for it, in part because she saw the event being underappreciated and unrecognized for a long time.

Wellman, who began teaching at Oswego in 1972 and continues to teach online local history courses, led an early women’s history class on a field trip to Seneca Falls. She found that the Wesleyan Chapel that hosted the extraordinary convention had dissolved into an apartment building and laundromat.

“Elizabeth Cady Stanton’s house was a private dwelling, covered with bright green shingles,” Wellman recalled. “We realized that sites related to the single most important women’s rights convention in the history of this country were not well marked, to say the least!”

Not only were the landmarks neglected, but also most of the movers of the convention were all but forgotten, she said.

“When we looked at a list of the 100 people (68 women and 32 men) who signed the Declaration of Sentiments at Seneca Falls in 1848, . . . we realized that only four of them — Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Lucretia Mott, Frederick Douglass and Martha Wright

— ever became national women’s rights leaders,” Wellman said. “All the rest were virtually unknown.”

Who the participants were and why they signed what was perceived as such a “radical” document intrigued Wellman. She started the project in the late 1970s, but put it aside until she felt she could do the type of work the topic deserved.

The result is a painstakingly researched account that often follows Stanton but also details how such seemingly disparate groups as legal reformers, abolitionists, early feminists and radical Quakers came together under the same roof.

‘In their own words’

Wellman wanted to produce a work for both scholars and general readers who may be interested in the topic. “It will give you solid and accurate information, written in a lively way about real people, told as much as possible in their own words,” Wellman said.

One interesting point is how the attendees “patterned their Declaration of Sentiments after the U.S. Declaration of Independence, so instead of saying that ‘all men are created equal,’ they said that ‘all men and women are created equal,’” she explained.

She said she believes the concerns of the convention more than 150 years ago still resonate in the 21st century. “If you compare the Declaration of Independence with the Declaration of Sentiments, it is the Seneca Falls document that most relates to our contemporary world,” she said.

“Except for the right to vote, which U.S. women finally received in 1920, we still struggle with almost every other issue raised at Seneca Falls — equal rights in education, jobs, family, religion, moral standards, and personal decision-making,” Wellman said. “In many ways, this is a document that speaks for the ages, and the people who created it were people who spoke not only to those of their own time but to us as well.”

The Road to Seneca Falls is published by the University of Illinois Press and sells for \$25. □

— Tim Nekritz

Young band adds pep to Romney weekends

Visitors to some athletics events may hear a different tune, through the recent emergence of the Laker Pep Band.

The band’s live performances, mainly heard at hockey games, aim to give Laker sports more energy and team spirit. The pep band’s director and president, Hunter Schoenfeld, hopes to expand the number of venues and sports at which the group appears.

Organizers of the inaugural Laker Days festival approached the music department with the idea of creating pep band to play at Laker hockey games during last January’s event. The department nominated Schoenfeld, a senior secondary education major who plays saxophone in the pep band, college ensembles and rock band The Masons Stevens. He recruited from such ensembles as the Concert Band, College-Community Orchestra and Jazz Ensemble. After a successful two-game stint at Laker Days 2004, the band has appeared at several hockey games since.

Schoenfeld said he agreed to organize the pep band to give something positive back to SUNY Oswego and the music department. “The music professors here are awesome. They know so much,” he said. “What makes it all worthwhile is just to give back to the music department and get that positive reaction from the fans.”

The band has since received a lot of support from the athletes, fans, the music department and especially from the athletic department, which has helped with stands and uniforms.

Greg Lomedico, a senior biology major and trumpeter, remembers the initial response. “I didn’t think we would hear anything from anybody, there was just a few of us,” Lomedico said. “But apparently people from the athletic department came up to us and asked if we wanted to do this full time. They thought it was good for the school, good for the team and good for the atmosphere.”

Students interviewed at a recent game agreed. “It was nice to hear real music like that,” junior biology major Whitney Lash said. Jenny Hawley, a junior sociology major and Laker hockey fan, said the pep band was good for school spirit.

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Spotlight

Sorbello happy to help students feel at home

The Campus Update Spotlight shines on Alexandra Sorbello this week. The keyboard specialist I in the Office of Residence Life and Housing has worked on campus since December 2000.

Q. How would you describe your job and responsibilities?

A. I have several duties. I answer the phones and help parents and students with campus housing needs. I’m in charge of the students who work in the residence halls, our student operations staff. I do all the publications for our department.

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

A. Probably working with the students. It makes me feel good to help parents and students make the easiest possible transition from their previous home to their on-campus home. Also, in this office, I feel lucky to work with the people I do. We have a great group, and we all get along. I feel a sense of pride in this campus because it’s an important part of our community.

Q. What is your impression of Oswego’s students?

A. There are a lot of great students. I love the diversity of the students. There are so many ethnic groups and all types of kids coming from so many different backgrounds.

Q. What is your educational background?

A. I’m working on my bachelor of fine arts in graphic design right here at Oswego. It’s a personal goal of mine to get that four-year degree. I already have a two-year degree in graphic design from the Art Institute of Pittsburgh.

Q. What achievement are you most proud of?

A. I am most proud of my three children — they are the shining stars in my sky. It is important to my husband and me that we raise good kids, knowing that working hard is nothing to be ashamed of. And



some day, I’ll be proud to walk across that stage with my bachelor’s degree.

Q. Do you have any hobbies?

A. I like to work around my home, decorating, gardening and cooking. I like to paint and that kind of thing. We have a winter camp where I should be snowmobiling but I’m usually studying. I like to cross-country ski. I also do some freelance graphic design.

Q. What can you tell us about your family?

A. I’ve been married to my husband, David, for 23 years. I have a daughter, Jayde, who is 22, and two sons — Dylan, 16, and Rane, 13. We live in Fulton. Our family business is growing onions, and my husband is part-owner of New York Bold Onions. □

Laker Days

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house will host the Friday Night Main Event: Romney Rocks and Rolls. The evening will feature entertainment from the college’s Shaun Cassidy Fan Club Improv Comedy Troupe, a sandwich competition and the Human Dogsled Race with co-ed campus teams of five competing on the Romney ice.

Saturday’s highlights include three finalists vying for the title of Oswego Idol at 10 p.m. in the Hewitt Union ballroom. The winning vocalist will earn a spring break trip. The Laker Days Winter Carnival, beginning at 11 p.m. in the Hewitt Union main lounge, will offer free food and games.

The Bridge Street Run/Walk 5K will have competitors dashing through the snow on Sunday morning from the Oswego YMCA to Laker Hall.

Robinson praised the generosity of many businesses around the community who donated prizes and other support for the festival. The festival is funded by an NCAA Choices grant to promote institutional pride through strengthening students’ participation in intercollegiate athletic contests and other alcohol-free campus-sponsored events.

For more information and a full schedule of events, visit www.oswego.edu/lakerdays. □

Volunteers help with tax filings

Students from the School of Business are joining with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program based on campus to provide income tax preparation and counseling for local residents. Volunteers began staffing sites around the county last week.

Students will provide the free service through March 6 and again from March 21 to April 14 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Mondays in Penfield Library and Thursdays at the Oswego County Building on Route 481 in Fulton across from Mimi’s. They will also be available from 1 to 4:30 p.m. Saturdays in Rich Hall.

RSVP will staff sites in Central Square, Fulton, Mexico, Oswego, Pulaski and Phoenix.

For more information, call RSVP at 312-2317. □

Announcements

Facebook adds new networking option for SUNY Oswego campus

The Facebook, a popular online directory and networking community created by a group of Harvard University students, has come to SUNY Oswego. The Washington Post reported last month that about a million students at nearly 300 colleges use Facebook. Aimed primarily at students but also open to alumni and faculty, the Web site allows users to create a personal profile and upload pictures; discover who shares common interests, goals, and friends; and meet people they wouldn't otherwise meet. "It's like an ever-changing yearbook," the Washington Post wrote. Its creators started with Harvard and then added other, mostly Ivy League colleges that their own students wanted to add to their network. Then they added more colleges in recent months. To join the Oswego Facebook community, go to <http://oswegofacebook.com/>. To learn more about how the Facebook has worked at other colleges across the United States, go to <http://thefacebook.com/> and click on "About." The Facebook is independent of the colleges for which it has established online networking communities and bills itself as "for students, by students."

Graduating seniors face deadlines

Seniors who will be graduating in May or August 2005 and who have not yet filed to graduate should do so no later than Feb. 15 in order for their names to be listed in the May commencement program. Degree forms are filed online or in the Registrar's Office, Room 307 of Culkin Hall. Seniors who have filed to graduate but who have not yet met with their advisers to do the senior check forms (which are generated by filing to graduate) should meet with their advisers soon. Senior check forms for students graduating in May are due back in the Registrar's Office by March 1.

Philosophy Fridays begin Feb. 11

Philosophy Fridays, a colloquium series by members of the philosophy department faculty, will take place at 3:30 p.m. in Room 130 of Piez Hall on selected Fridays this semester. Faculty will present their works-in-progress, beginning with "Time Travelers and Their Free Will" by David Horacek on Feb. 11. "All of the full-time philosophy faculty and two part-time faculty will be making presentations on a variety of topics," said Jean Chambers, associate professor of philosophy. "After each presentation, there will be a substantial question and discussion period.

Since these are works in progress, there is a need for input from an interested audience." The series will continue with Chambers on "The Rationality of Nonviolence" Feb. 18, Robert Card on "Making Sense of Affirmative Action and the Law" March 4, Craig DeLancey on "Emotion and the Evolution of the Social Contract" March 11, Brad Wray on "Scientific Authorship in the Age of Collaborative Research" April 1, Richard Cocks on "The Philosophy of Groundhog Day" April 8 and Charles Echelbarger on "Reflections on Hume's Definition of Belief" April 15.

Student award nominations due

Faculty and staff are invited to nominate Oswego students for the Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence. The award recognizes model students who have integrated academic excellence with other aspects of their lives. Nominations are due Feb. 7. Students graduating between June 2004 and May 2005 are eligible this year. For more information, call the Student Advisement Center at 312-2240.

Grant and award deadlines loom

Faculty Enhancement Grant proposals are due in the Provost's Office by Feb. 4. This program has \$40,000 in funding available for stipends, supplies, travel and other expenses for projects across a wide spectrum of scholarly activity and performance. Also due will be proposals for the Student/Faculty Collaborative Challenge Grant program, which will fund at least six grants of up to \$2,500 each. The Provost's Office also encourages faculty and staff to consider nominating deserving peers for awards for teaching excellence, scholarly and creative activity, and advising. Deadlines range from Jan. 31 to March 7. Guidelines for these programs are available online at www.oswego.edu/administration/provost/grants_and_awards.html.

International experts to discuss regional entrepreneurship Friday

A symposium on "Building Entrepreneurial Regions: A NAFTA Perspective" will begin at 8:30 a.m. Friday in the Center for Entrepreneurs, Room 118 of Rich Hall. Presenters will include Leonel Corona of the National University of Mexico, Jerome Doutriaux of the University of Ottawa, and Sarfraz Mian of Oswego. There is no charge to attend, and the public is invited.

AS money available to support activities in capstone courses

Auxiliary Services has provided special funding through a grant to the Career Services Office to support capstone courses. Last year over 15 faculty members and 300 students benefited in some direct or indirect way from this funding, which helped to provide refreshments to support classroom and alumni speakers, special thank you gifts to community and external volunteers, and trips to career-related activities. Already this year, support has been provided for theater and graphic design capstone courses and to pre-law advisers. If interested in using this type of funding, contact Director of Career Services Bob Casper at 312-2471 or casper@oswego.edu.

Laker Pep Band

Continued from page 3 Schoenfeld said the group has grown to about 30 to 35 members, including college students and Oswego community members. The experience is fun and not too demanding, making it a great opportunity for college musicians, he said. "The cool thing about the pep band is that it's very low-key," Schoenfeld said. "We only have four or five rehearsals at the beginning of every semester for new music and members. And after that we really don't have to rehearse because the music's not difficult. And we only play on weekends. We can't play during the week. Everyone's schedule is too tough." Popular selections include "Tequila," "Rock and Roll (The 'Hey' Song)" and "La Bamba." Rob Talamo, a senior secondary education and trombone player, said the songs are configured to the arena. "These pieces are real short, they get to the point and we play only the melodies," he said. "Real simple arrangements, more for volume than for intonation." The band plays during breaks in the action, like when the home team scores or during a timeout. Schoenfeld hopes that the pep band will become a permanent fixture. "If you go to a game when the band is there and when the band is not there, you can feel the energy difference," he said. "Because I know I do." The Laker Pep Band continues to look for new members and anyone interested in becoming officers. For more information, e-mail schoenfe@oswego.com. — John Hong

Police report

Since Dec. 1, University Police investigated several cases of theft and vandalism and made six arrests. Police charged a Cayuga Hall resident with two felonies: burglary and grand larceny. He is accused of entering another room and stealing two laptop computers valued at \$2,700. Officers charged a 44-year-old Fulton man with driving while intoxicated on Route 104 and several driving infractions. Police charged an 18-year-old Cayuga Hall resident with assault. She is accused of fighting with another woman, knocking her down, punching and biting her, and pulling jewelry from her pierced lip and nose. A 19-year-old Oneida Hall resident was charged with criminal possession of a forged instrument. He is accused of having a forged driver's license. In separate incidents, police charged two Funnelle Hall residents with possession of marijuana.

Calendar highlights

- Martin Luther King Awards Ceremony, Jan. 27
- Laker Days, Jan. 27 to 30
- Tyler Art Gallery opening reception, Jan. 28
- Two Rice Creek nature programs, Feb. 5

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



On display — Barb Snell of The College Store stands next to her quilt (at right on wall), which is part of the Penfield Library/Lake Effect Café Faculty/Staff Juried Art Exhibit. The exhibition, which runs through March 15, includes painting, photography, sculpture and craftwork.