

Demand for engineers spurs campus to explore adding degree programs

Last fall, the computer science department proposed a degree program in software engineering, which recently won approval through the campus governance process. The proposal will go to SUNY System Administration this spring.

“That initiative together with our discussions with employers in the region has spurred us to think in broader terms about how Oswego might help meet the demand for engineers and support regional economic development,” said Provost Susan Coultrap-McQuin.

President Deborah F. Stanley announced at the beginning of the academic year that the college would begin exploring the possibility of adding engineering programs and assessing the employment climate for engineers in Central New York.

America’s need for engineers has been widely noted in many sources including Gov. George Pataki’s State of the State address and SUNY Chancellor John Ryan’s budget request. In a new report, the National Academies’ Committee on Prospering in the Global Economy documents the “worrisome indicator” that in 2004 China graduated half a million engineers, India 200,000 and the United States just 70,000.

In this region, President Stanley, Vice President Joe Grant and Dean David King have interviewed executives from Welch Allyn, Sensis Corp., Syracuse Research Corp. and other companies, who emphasized the current and future demand for engineers and the lack of a public college engineering program locally.

Team effort

Early in January, Coultrap-McQuin organized an Engineering Discussion Group composed of Oswego department chairs, Faculty Assembly committee representatives, faculty representatives and administrators.

Members of the group are Richard Back (biology chair), Susan Camp (Faculty Assembly chair), Philip Gaines (technology chair), Patrick Halpin (math chair), Kenneth Hyde (chemistry chair), Gary Klatsky (human-computer interaction director), Associate Provost Rhonda Mandel, Richard Metzgar (art faculty), Rameen Mohammadi (computer science chair),

Bennet Schaber (English chair), Jeffery Schneider (Sciences Planning Committee), Joyce Smith (Academic Policies Council), Al Stamm (Priorities and Planning Council, earth sciences chair), Dean Sara Varhus, Ding Zhang (business faculty) and Dale Zych (physics chair).

At a meeting earlier this month, the Engineering

Discussion Group discussed opportunities and benefits to the campus of adding engineering. Those include attracting strong students in math and science, addressing regional needs, synergies with existing programs and new opportunities for research. They also discussed challenges that need to be addressed,

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On tour — Senior cognitive science major Audrey Hager leads an admissions tour of prospective students and families down Takamine Drive toward Sheldon Hall earlier this month. Admissions programs have had large turnouts this semester, but the biggest group is expected when hundreds of visitors attend the college-wide Open House on Monday, April 10.

New coach chosen to relaunch women’s hockey

Oswego recently hired Diane Dillon as the coach and catalyst to restart its women’s intercollegiate ice hockey program.

The Lakers will compete this fall as a member of the Division III ECAC Women’s West in the 2006-07 season. Oswego’s schedule will include 14 conference games and approximately six additional non-conference tilts. The Lakers, who will play in

the Campus Center arena, will be eligible for ECAC Women’s West and NCAA postseason tournaments.

“Throughout her playing and coaching careers, Diane has enjoyed great success,” said Tim Hale, Oswego’s athletic director. “Her ability to recruit and work with outstanding student-athletes will help her establish a premier program at Oswego over the coming years.”

Dillon, a native of Tonawanda, just completed her fifth season as assistant coach for women’s ice hockey at Cornell University. In addition to game and practice responsibilities, Dillon was the primary recruiting coordinator for the Big Red and monitored academic progress of the student-athletes. She also was involved with developing the program’s relationship with alumni and the community.

A 1983 graduate of Cornell, Dillon is one of the most prominent players in the program’s history. She currently stands seventh in Big Red history in goals (65), fifth in assists (79) and sixth in total points (144). She was a team MVP in her freshman year and served as a team captain for three years, helping Cornell to Ivy League championships in 1979 and 1980 and a share of the Ivy League title in 1981.

“I was very impressed by my visits to the campus and my interactions with the coaching staff and administration. I saw firsthand how much excitement there is about women’s hockey at all levels of the college,” Dillon said. “It is obvious that the college is firmly behind the women’s hockey program, and I look forward to getting off to a great start. It is a tremendous opportunity for me.”

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Diane Dillon



In print — Sarah Nesbitt, a senior studio art major, works on a screen print she submitted to the 43rd annual Juried Student Art Exhibition. The juried exhibition and the Spring Master of Arts Thesis Exhibition both will open at Tyler Art Gallery with a public reception from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday. The exhibitions will run through April 19. For more information, contact Tyler Art Gallery at 312-2113.

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College trends

Public benefits of higher education

“‘Solutions for Our Future,’ a campaign to promote the public benefits of higher education, kicks off March 14 with a media event in Washington, D.C., national print and television advertising, an interactive Web site [http://www.solutionsforourfuture.org/site/PageServer], and a grassroots component supported by U.S. colleges and universities. The campaign is based on research showing that the U.S. public values the benefits of a college degree to individuals but is less aware of the broader social benefits—such as healthy communities, workforce preparation, and life-saving discoveries—that come from higher education. Institutions participating in the grassroots campaign have access to a tool kit of resources that will help them support its messages and will have opportunities to showcase stories about how they contribute to the greater public good. . . . ‘Solutions for Our Future’ is organized by the American Council on Education in collaboration with other education-related organizations.”

— BriefCASE, Council for Advancement and Support of Education, March 2006

Modern students close to parents

“A skilled multitasker who dreams big, thrives on stress, and calls his parents constantly. That is the profile of the modern student, as described by college officials here on [March 13] at the annual conference of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators. At a news conference, leaders of the association discussed some of their top concerns, including the prevalence of high-risk drinking and mental-health problems among students, and the close relationships many students share with their parents, who are becoming increasingly involved in campus life.”

— Academe Today, The Chronicle of Higher Education, March 14, 2006

Europe lags

“A new report warns that Europe is quickly losing ground to the United States and Asia in several key higher-education indicators, including the quality and quantity of the university graduates it produces. . . . Per student, the United States outspends Europe on higher education by more than 50 percent, according to the report, which notes that ‘much of that difference is due to larger U.S. contributions from tuition-paying students and the private sector.’ . . . The report singles out South Korea, which in the 1960s had the same gross domestic product as Afghanistan and ranked 21st among 30 key nations in terms of the proportion of adults who have attained a higher education, and now ranks third in the same measure and has the highest percentage of young people with high-school degrees among all industrialized countries.”

— Academe Today, The Chronicle of Higher Education, March 15, 2006

Research space expands

“Universities built more research space on their campuses in 2002 and 2003 than at any time since 1988, but the federal government paid a smaller share of the cost, says a biennial report on trends in scientific research and education. A companion report identified a pressing need, acknowledged recently by President Bush and Congress, to improve mathematics and science education in the United States. Both reports were prepared by the National Science Board, the governing body of the National Science Foundation. Board members echoed the conclusions of a series of other recent reports about American science: Faced with the growing production of scientists and engineers by developing nations, especially China, the United States must improve its scientific education significantly to maintain its international lead in high-technology innovation.”

— Academe Today, The Chronicle of Higher Education, Feb. 24, 2006



On the line — Senior communication studies and public justice major Renee Lamphere was one of 95 members of the campus community — faculty, staff and students — contacting prospective students and their families during the recent Oswego Calling phonathon. Shown behind her are junior theatre major Kris Vicencio and sophomore political science major Hank Ward. Every year, a variety of volunteers reaches out to households of students who have been accepted, but have not yet enrolled, to answer questions and discuss aspects of the Oswego experience.

People in action

Ashraf Attia of the School of Business is the winner of the Marvin Jolson Award, given by the *Journal of Personal Selling and Sales Management* for the article that makes the best contribution to selling and sales management practice. The award is for his article “A Three Stage Model for Assessing and Improving Sales Force Training and Development.”

Ivan Brady, distinguished teaching professor and chair of anthropology, served as keynote speaker and master of ceremonies in November for the Society for Humanistic Anthropology’s 31st annual awards program, as part of the 104th annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association in Washington, D.C. The SHA sponsors annual awards for ethnographic fiction, poetry and student writing and the prestigious Victor Turner Prize in Ethnographic Writing. Brady is a past president of the organization. An excerpt from his address, “Writing the World: Belated Birthday Remarks on Semiosis, Intellectual Snares, Language Games, Politics — and, Oh Yes, Being Human,” plus a photo montage of the award winners, appeared in the February issue of the American Anthropological Association’s *Anthropology News*.

Lorrie Clemo of the political science department presented a paper, “Learning Portfolios in Gateway and Capstone Courses in a Public Administration Program,” at the annual meeting of the National Association of Public Administrators, which was held in Olympia, Wash., from Feb. 10 to 12.

Geraldine Forbes, distinguished teaching professor of history, is the author of the article “Negotiating Modernities: The Public and Private Worlds of Dr. Haimabati Sen” in the book *Rhetoric and Reality: Gender and the Colonial Experience in South Asia*, edited by Avril Powell and Siobhan Lambert-Hurley, in the School of Oriental and African Studies on South Asia series. Oxford University Press in New Delhi published the book this year.

Also, Forbes was nominated as one of the judges for the American Historical Association’s James Harvey Robinson Prize, which is awarded biennially for the teaching aid that has made the most outstanding contribution to the teaching and learning of history in any field for public or educational purposes.

Brooks Gump, associate professor of psychology, presented results of a study March 4 at the 64th annual meeting of the American Psychosomatic Society in Denver. His study demonstrated that children from

socioeconomically disadvantaged families had higher blood lead levels and that these blood lead levels, in turn, produced greater vascular resistance to blood flow in response to acute stress. Cardiovascular response is an indicator of sympathetic nervous system activation, and prolonged or exaggerated sympathetic nervous system activation is implicated in a number of the pathophysiological processes that may set the stage for cardiovascular disease. Lower family socioeconomic status was shown to be associated with significantly higher blood lead levels as well as significantly heightened blood pressure. “These results suggest the importance of considering the chemical environment as well as social and psychological environment when evaluating cardiovascular effects of low socioeconomic status,” Gump said.

Alok Kumar, professor of physics, traveled to Thailand and India recently to deliver talks at universities. In Thailand, he spoke on “A Potpourri of Issues in Science Education” at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok on Jan. 24. In India, his talk at Gurukul Kangri University in Haridwar on Feb. 8 was on “Ancient Indian Sciences.” At Gurukul Kangri University, Kumar was honored in a large ceremony that was covered by several newspapers in the region. His travel was partially funded by Oswego’s Office of International Education and Programs.

Six students from **John Sullivan’s** “New York State Government and Politics” class took part in the New York State Democratic Rural Conference on March 3 and 4 in Ithaca. **Kevin Obitt, Daniel Breitweg, Jonathan Green, Dennis S. Lovett, Faith Lynn O’Brien** and **Theodore Mohr** helped staff the registration desk and with other conference activities. The program includes a quadrennial straw poll for candidates running for governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, comptroller and U.S. senator. Each candidate spoke, including Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton and Attorney General Eliot Spitzer. “The event gives students an opportunity for hands-on experience in politics and an up-close-and-personal look at the political scene and the candidates for statewide office,” Sullivan said. An attorney, Sullivan is a former mayor of Oswego, former co-chair of the state Democratic Party and one of the founders of the New York State Democratic Rural Conference. He is currently the assistant attorney general in charge of the Watertown office. He has been an adjunct professor in the political science department for five years.

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Visual mysteries from Special Collections on display in Penfield Library



Solving mysteries — Marion Green, a clerk at Penfield Library, and Maryland Hatch, a junior TESOL major and library loan worker, look at some of the unidentified pictures in the mystery photos display at Penfield. The library's Special Collections Office hopes members of the campus and community can stop by the display, on Penfield's first floor, and help identify some of the people in the images.

Announcements

Awards to recognize service

Through the 2006 Student Involvement Awards, the college would like to reward students making a difference in the campus and community.

Coordinated by the Office of Campus Life's Student Organization Services, these annual awards recognize students, student organizations and advisers working on educational projects, community service, athletic events, fundraising for charitable causes and other activities.

"The awards were established to recognize and reward those students and organizations whose involvement makes SUNY Oswego and the surrounding Oswego community a better place to live and learn," said Mike Paestella of the SOS office.

"We would love to have faculty and staff advising and working with student organizations as they apply for awards, along with nominating students for the individual awards recognizing all of their hard work and involvement on campus and in the community," he added.

The awards offer multiple categories in three areas: organizations, individuals and Greek life. Award evaluators represent a cross-section of the campus community.

Deadline for submissions is 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 4. Nominees will be recognized at the Student Involvement Awards ceremony at 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 26, in the Hewitt Union ballroom.

For more information and downloadable forms, visit www.oswego.edu/campuslife/sos and click the "Student Involvement Awards" link. □

Fulbright visiting specialist to present talks on Islam

S. Irfan Habib of India's National Institute of Science, Technology and Development Studies in New Delhi will give two talks on Islam this month.

He will speak on "Islam and Modernity" at 7 p.m. Sunday in the basement lounge of Hart Hall Global Living and Learning Center. As part of the college's Science Today lecture series, he will talk about "The Search for an Islamic Science" at 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 29, in Room 101 of Snugg Hall.

SUNY Oswego will be Habib's host from March 20 to April 24 through the Fulbright Visiting Specialists Program "Direct Access to the Muslim World." This program awards short-term grants to scholars from the Middle East, North Africa, South Asia and selected countries elsewhere to help U.S. higher edu-

cation institutions and communities enrich their understanding of Islamic civilization and developments in the Muslim world, according to the Council for the International Exchange of Scholars, which administers the program.

Habib will also teach a one-credit course at Oswego on the history of Islamic science and give lectures and speak in classes at Oswego and other colleges and universities and at community venues including high schools, churches and community organizations.

For more information, call Distinguished Teaching Professor Geraldine Forbes at 312-3249, the history department at 312-2170 or Habib at 312-3440. □

Interdisciplinary cooperation brings 'New Voices' to stage

A joint effort of the English writing arts program and theatre department will bring "New Voices," an annual showcase of student talent, to Tyler Hall's lab theatre this weekend.

Staged at 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, "New Voices" will allow student writers, directors and actors to present new material through staged readings. The shows will be free and open to the public.

A panel of faculty selects six 10-minute, student-written plays, and each work is assigned a student director from the theatre department.

"It's really about collaborative creativity," explained student coordinator Steve Mazzoccone.

The goal of "New Voices" is to allow for an educational theatre experience that benefits aspiring playwrights, actors and directors alike. This means that, unlike traditional theatre, the playwrights are heavily involved in the rehearsal process, creating a constructive, open forum of feedback that allows individuals to reflect and build upon their contribution to the work as a whole.

"It's really cool as a director to be able to ask the playwright questions. It helps to present a really clear vision of what's going on," said Mazzoccone, a senior double major in English and theatre.

The 12th annual "New Voices" will feature "Inconceivable" by Jennifer Tulip, directed by Jacob Hess; "Careful What You Believe" by Keith Shampine, directed by Mazzoccone; "Untitled" by Kristen Guzzo, directed by Trevor Franklin; "Snapped" by Brian Phares, directed by Megan Myerov; "A Prolonged Wait" by Adam Sweeney, directed by Megan McGarvey; and "Wake" by Ryan Garney, also directed by McGarvey. □

A conductor prepares to strike up a band. Students and dogs enjoy a sunny day outside Hewitt Union.

Three people pose in front of a hockey goal.

Who are these people? What are their stories? That is what the Special Collections Office of Penfield Library wants to know, and the reason behind a current mystery photo display.

In all, 36 photos from various eras hang in a glass case near the library administration and reference desk on Penfield's first floor. Some show rows of well-dressed people posing for the camera, but who they are and what they represent — a class, organization or faculty department — remain a mystery.

This is the second such display, said organizer Nancy Johnson of Special Collections. Last March into summer, 18 photos were showcased, with nine identified. "We were very happy with that," she said.

The need for identification dovetails with an effort by Special Collections to digitize photos in their possession to make them more accessible. "We started with the identified photos, and now we're getting into the unidentified ones," Johnson explained. "The more we identify, the better we can make them available to a researcher or patron who comes."

Thanks in large part to Bill Baldwin of the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, who has been scanning photos, the collection is up to around 4,000 digital pictures — and growing. But the images that come to Special Collections with no identifying material pose a puzzle.

Missing pieces

In the first month of the new display, only two of the 36 have been identified, so the library wants more eyes to help with the process.

"The focus of the current display is college history," Johnson said. "It's mostly people, but not all people. Several photos are from publications, so I'm hoping faculty, staff and community members may recognize them."

Results of having digitized and identified photos can be seen on the first-ever virtual exhibit, launched in early March, offering images and information on Camp Shady Shore. Virtual exhibits can be reached from the Digitized Collections page, www.oswego.edu/library/archives/digitized_collections.html.

As for the current crop of mystery images, Johnson expects to have them on display for a few more months. She would like to put up a new group of photos in time for Reunion in June, perhaps targeting images from around the years of anniversary classes coming to campus.

For more information, contact Special Collections at archives@oswego.edu. □

— Tim Nekritz

Engineering

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from developing the appropriate niche to addressing funding issues to recruiting a new kind of student.

Some members of the group also met with two consultants from the new and innovative Olin College of Engineering in January to discuss their experiences with starting engineering programs.

"The consultants said that our unique combination of academic programs could provide a solid foundation for developing distinctive engineering programs," Coultrap-McQuin said. "They especially took note of our strengths in interdisciplinary study, communications requirements, emphasis on teamwork and collaboration, project-based learning and internships."

President Stanley is seeking additional funding for faculty, equipment and facilities that will be needed for a successful launch for engineering programs, Coultrap-McQuin said.

A contract, awaiting Comptroller's Office approval, with SWBR Architects to develop a conceptual design and program study for sciences and math facility renovations will explore potential engineering additions to the plan.

Jerry DeSantis, associate vice president for facilities, said last week that he expected the study to get under way this summer and next fall. □

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Collaborations key ‘Collage’ show

Faculty and student groups and soloists are tuning up for the “Collage” concert at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 31, in Tyler Hall’s Waterman Theatre.

This show, which supports scholarships for music department students, is in its second year.

“Collage” is a “fast-moving, production-oriented” variety evening where one group is spotlighted, then another starts as soon as that one finishes, said Rob Auler, a music faculty member and organizer. The program moves so quickly the audience is asked to hold their applause until the end of the show.

Performing groups will include the College Choir and State Singers, both conducted by Julie Pretzat, and the Concert Band and College-Community Orchestra, both conducted by Angela Space. Music faculty performing in groups or as soloists will include Auler, Space, Todd Graber and Rebecca Horning.

Featured student solo showcases will include vocalist Dan Williams and pianist Justin McVey. A faculty combo will perform a student composition by Nick Gianopoulos.

The student a cappella group Boys Down the Hall will contribute their harmonies. In addition, students Megan McGarvey and Steve Mazzoccone, the leads in the upcoming production of “Little Shop of Horrors,” will perform numbers from that musical.

Some students will play a role in “Collage” without even taking the stage. Auler has participants in his “Music Business” class learning while promoting the event by making posters, talking to businesses and selling tickets to the campus and community.

Tickets for the scholarship fundraiser cost \$10 for the public, \$5 for senior citizens, high school students and SUNY Oswego students. For reservations, call 312-2141 or e-mail tickets@oswego.edu. □

Author Norman Holland to speak

Acclaimed author and scholar Norman Holland will address cognitive science, psychology and literature when he speaks at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 4, in Waterman Theatre.

His talk is admission-free, open to the public and part of the college’s Arts and Psychology Series.

Holland is perhaps most famous for his 1968 publi-

cation *The Dynamics of Literary Response*, in which he proposed a model for the interaction between literature and the human mind. The book resulted from extensive research into the works of Sigmund Freud and Heinz Lichenstein.

Currently the Marston-Milbauer Eminent Scholar in English at the University of Florida, Holland teaches classes that include an honors seminar, “The Book and the Brain,” that explores links between literature and cognitive science. He also moderates the interdisciplinary online discussion group PsyArt and edits the online journal *PsyArt: A Hyperlink Journal for the Psychology of the Arts*.

Holland has lectured all over the world and earned both Guggenheim and American Council of Learned Societies fellowships. In addition, he has penned 13 books and a multitude of journal articles. □

South African literature discussed

Dirk Kloppe of Stellenbosch University in South Africa will discuss “Uncanny Ethnicities: The Story of the Griqua People in South African Literature” at 4:30 p.m. Thursday in Room 106 of Lanigan Hall.

Kloppe teaches travel narratives, modernist literature and post-colonial and psychoanalyst theory. He chairs the English department of Stellenbosch, located in the Western Cape region of South Africa.

His talk is free and open to the public. It is sponsored by the global and international studies program, the Office of International Education and Programs and the Provost’s Office. □

WNYO to sponsor concert

The sonic combination of disco rock and swirling synthesizers from Men Women and Children will headline a concert on Wednesday, April 5, in the Ozone in Hewitt Union.

WNYO, the campus student station, sponsors the show, which also includes indie-rock band Damiera and MC Goldie Wilson. Doors will open at 7 p.m.

Men Women and Children tour in support of their new self-titled album, released earlier this week on Reprise Records.

Tickets for the concert cost \$10, \$5 for SUNY Oswego students. □

Women’s hockey

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Hale said that Dillon “clearly articulated her vision for women’s hockey” throughout the interview process. She also had familiarity with the program through her brother Dennis, a 1972 graduate of Oswego who played ice hockey for two years under former Coach Herb Hammond.

“I have always had a connection to Oswego State since I was a kid and I watched my older brother play hockey here,” Dillon said. “Because of that, I’ve always thought of Oswego State as a hockey school. Following the success of the men’s program over the years has proven that to be true and our program looks forward to carrying on that hockey tradition.”

Special events are being planned to mark the women’s first season back on the ice, with home games to take place in the new Campus Center arena.

Other ECAC Women’s West members include Buffalo State, Chatham, Cortland, Elmira, Neumann, Plattsburgh and Utica. □

People in action

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The March 15 issue of *History Now* is focused on women’s suffrage and includes an essay, “The Seneca Falls Convention: Setting the National Stage for Women’s Suffrage,” by **Judith Wellman**, director of Historical New York Research Associates and professor emerita of history at Oswego. Other historians with articles in this issue are based at the University of California at Los Angeles, Smith College, Duke University, Brooklyn College and the University of Minnesota. *History Now* is a quarterly online journal [www.historynow.org] of the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. Each issue addresses a major figure or theme in American history with articles by historians, lesson plans, links and other resources. Each issue receives more than 65,000 visits.

K. Brad Wray, associate professor of philosophy, will present a paper at the annual meeting of the Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science in Toronto in May. His paper is titled “Defending a Selectionist Explanation for the Success of Science.” □

Police report

Since March 3, University Police have investigated several cases of theft and vandalism and made four arrests.

Police charged a 22-year-old Martville man with aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, driving while intoxicated, driving with a blood alcohol content above .08, operating with a suspended registration and operating without insurance.

In Waterbury Hall, police charged one resident with disorderly conduct. Police also charged two Cayuga Hall residents with unlawful possession of alcohol. □

Calendar highlights

- **Concert by 2 Foot Yard with Carla Kihlstedt**, March 22
- **Teaching for Social Justice Conference**, March 23
- **Conference on Hybrid Learning**, March 24
- **Tyler Art Gallery opening reception**, March 24
- **“Harry Potter” marathon**, March 25
- **“New Voices,”** March 25 and 26
- **Rice Creek Reflections**, March 26
- **Fulbright visiting specialist lectures**, March 26 and 29
- **Etiquette Dinner**, March 29
- **“Collage” concert**, March 31
- **Arts and Psychology speaker**, April 4

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

Spotlight

Reitz helps keep technological projects in gear

The Campus Update Spotlight shines on Tammy Reitz this week. An administrative assistant for the office of Campus Technology Services, she has worked on campus since 1996.

Q. How would you describe your job and responsibilities?

A. I perform administrative duties for CTS man-



agement staff. I serve as the Verizon Wireless administrator for the campus. When departments relocate around campus, I coordinate the moving of their technology. I also have to maintain accurate accounts of expenditures for multiple budgets.

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

A. Working with the staff, here and in other departments. During the recent relocations on campus, I worked closely with several departments to coordinate the move of their technology services. This was a great experience to interact with other departments.

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

A. I think they are very intelligent, well-rounded individuals that have the opportunity to do great things with their lives.

Q. What achievement are you most proud of?

A. My family.

Q. What can you tell us about your family?

A. My husband Kevin and I have been married for 10 years. He is the plant manager at Oswego Plastics and is currently working toward his bachelor’s from SUNY Oswego. We have two children. Our daughter Kristie is 7, while our son Dylan is 4. We live in the city of Oswego.

Q. Do you have any hobbies?

A. As every working parent knows, free time is scarce, but with the time I have I lead my daughter’s Girl Scout troop, and enjoy scrapbooking, sewing and reading. □