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**Katie Eurich
National
Student Chef
of the Year**



Nation's Best

Katie Eurich wins ACF Student Chef of the Year

Katie Eurich with Mark Garcia in the kitchen.

Culinary Arts major Katie Eurich has made history—she's the first SUNY Delhi student to win the American Culinary Federation's Student Chef of the Year competition. She is also the first New York State college student to win this prestigious honor.

"I have worked so hard to get to this point; it almost doesn't seem real," says Eurich.

A senior in SUNY Delhi's Culinary Arts Management bachelor's degree program, Eurich edged out three other national competitors from The Art Institute of Jacksonville, Joliet Junior College and Oregon Coast Culinary Institute. She earned her trip to the national competition in Orlando by winning the ACF Northeast competition at Erie Community College in January.

Eurich's award-winning recipe was a Mahgreb Duck Trio, which consisted of pan-seared duck breast with a Moroccan-inspired braise, petite duck roulade, buttery potato cup, red pepper harissa cloud, orange carrot puree and Mediterranean vegetables. She created four portions of the dish on a strict timetable: 15 minutes for set up, 60 minutes to cook, and 10 minutes to plate. She finished with a few seconds to spare, despite her stove not working at the start. "I just kept working, because that's all I really could do," says Eurich. "I was thinking in my head, remain calm and stay on task."



Chef Victor Sommo '01 discusses menu details with Katie Eurich '15 and Chef Brianne Slocum '09.

Eurich's love of cooking began when she would help her mother in the kitchen of their Warwick, NY, home, but that love has grown into something much more. She studied culinary arts at the Ulster-Orange BOCES before enrolling at Delhi.

Dr. David Brower '00, Assistant Provost and Hospitality Department Chair, says that Eurich's achievements are more than a stroke of luck. "They are the result of Katie's incredible talents as a chef and a credit to the chef instructors and coaches who guided her," he says. "Their commitment to student achievement is unparalleled and solidifies SUNY Delhi as the leader in culinary education in New York State." Eurich was coached by Culinary Arts Instructors Victor Sommo '01 (lead coach), Brianne Slocum '09, and Sean Pehrsson.

Eurich is using her winning expertise to help others. She worked alongside Culinary Arts major Mark Garcia to prepare for the 2015 Mentor Young Chef competition in Chicago in September. Garcia served as her assistant at the national competition and Eurich was delighted to return the favor. She is team captain for SUNY Delhi's hot food team, which is gearing up for the New York State ACF championship in December.

Eurich's win adds to Delhi's reputation as the home of culinary champions. The college's hot food team is the only New York State representative to capture the ACF national title, winning in 2010 and 2012. The team has won a total of 11 American Culinary Federation State Championships and the ACF Northeastern Regional Championship six times in the past 13 years. SUNY Delhi students and faculty have also won hundreds of ACF medals at local, regional and national events.

Eurich considers herself fortunate to be part of such a winning environment. "After I graduate, I plan on moving to New York City to work in the field. I'll be looking for the right opportunity to present itself," Eurich adds. With her credentials, that opportunity is due to be something special.

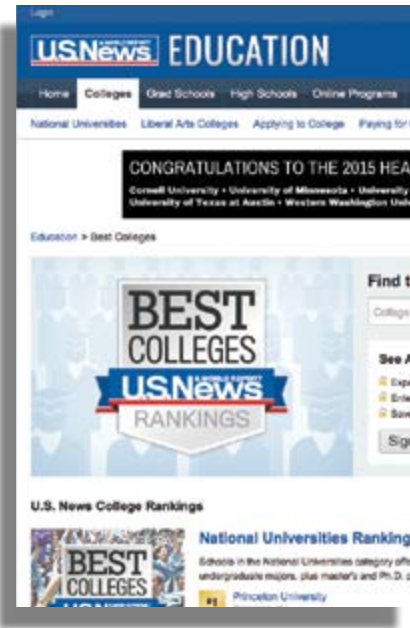


Helping Make a Difference

Katie Eurich's national Student Chef of the Year title could not have been possible without industry and campus support. Maple Leaf Farms donated their duck product for Eurich to create her award-winning dish. Eurich also received from the company a new professional chef jacket and a \$500 stipend toward her travel expenses to compete. Maple Leaf Farms awarded her \$1,000 and a new knife kit for winning the championship. The College Association at Delhi also made contributions in Eurich's support.

Pictured is Provost John Nader, Maple Farms Representative Dan O'Neill, Katie Eurich '15, President Candace Vancko, and Dr. David Brower '00.

Delhi Earns Highest Ranking as Best College



SUNY Delhi is ranked No. 28 on the “Best Regional Colleges” list, its highest position to date, in the 2015 edition of “Best Colleges” by U.S. News Media Group. The exclusive

rankings, which include more than 1,600 schools nationwide, are available online at www.usnews.com/colleges.

This is the 10th consecutive year SUNY Delhi has been ranked by *U.S. News*. Delhi was ranked 33rd in 2014.

“Being ranked for 10 consecutive years is a distinct honor that recognizes the exceptional educational experience SUNY Delhi provides students,” says President Candace Vancko. “Given the national focus on student success, I am particularly proud that the statistics show Delhi’s graduation rate is the highest in SUNY’s Colleges of Technology sector.”

Delhi is a “Great College to Work For”

The Chronicle of Higher Education recently named SUNY Delhi one of its “Great Colleges to Work For.” The college was recognized in three specific categories—supervisor/department chair relationship, work/life balance, and collaborative governance.

The college was also recognized for improvement in the following areas—teaching environment, compensation and benefits, facilities, policies, resources and efficiency, shared governance, pride, senior leadership, administration and staff relations, communication, collaboration, fairness, and respect and appreciation.

Delhi was in the highly competitive category of four-year colleges with up to 9,999 students, which makes the achievement even more impressive, according to college officials.

The Chronicle’s recognition was no surprise to Delhi faculty and staff. Lori Osterhoudt, Director of Counseling and Health Services, who has been with SUNY Delhi for 28 years, says, “It takes good communication and collaboration to earn this type of success, and we’ve got that at SUNY Delhi.”

Al Dubreuil, Head Grounds Supervisor, has worked almost two years at SUNY Delhi. He attributes the college’s recent recognition to its employees. “Everyone contributes to a common goal because they feel they are part of a team,” says Dubreuil. “As a supervisor, I try to contribute to that. I want staff to leave at the end of the day thinking, ‘I did a good job and my work is appreciated.’”

To view the full results of the survey, visit *The Chronicle’s* web site at <http://chronicle.com/AW15>.



Head Grounds Supervisor Al Dubreuil makes improvements to the Bush Hall plaza with grounds staff Walter Greene, Brian Groh, Cody Ruff and student Brian Atwell.



Helstosky '75 Honored with Doctorate

Anthony J. Helstosky '75, Director of World-Wide Regulatory Strategy for Pfizer Global Research and Development, was presented

an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree at the college’s May commencement.

“Tony has devoted his career to making health better for mankind, and we are proud that millions worldwide are leading healthier lives because of his expertise and dedication,” says President Candace Vancko. “His success as a SUNY Delhi Veterinary Science Technology graduate epitomizes the program’s stature as the first and finest in the nation.”

Helstosky has served as the principal liaison to the federal Food and Drug Administration for Pfizer since 2004. In that role, Helstosky works closely with teams that develop new vaccines to both prevent and treat disease. He also leads sub-teams that coordinate regulatory activities with health agencies in other countries and with colleagues at Pfizer offices around the globe.

Helstosky’s distinguished 35-year career in the biopharmaceutical industry is highlighted by participating in the development of several products approved by the FDA. In recognition of his outstanding contributions to the industry, Helstosky has been the recipient of numerous corporate quality assurance and individual performance awards.

Helstosky’s support of his alma mater is exceptional. He was honored as a Delhi Titan in 2007, returning to campus to share his career experiences with students, faculty and staff. The following year, he accepted an appointment to the college’s Veterinary Science Technology Academic Advisory Council. In that role, he brings valuable insights on employment opportunities and trends in the biomedical and biopharmaceutical industries that help shape curricula and improve the learning experience for students. He and his wife Linda '75 are 2010 Distinguished Alumni. They recently established a scholarship endowment for Veterinary Science Technology students.

National Champions

SUNY Delhi men’s outdoor track team won the 2015 National Championship in May, winning 10 of 22 events to take the title by 119.5 points. The Delhi women placed second, finishing with 137 points. Keimon Barrow and Zhane Ridley won Field Athlete of the Year honors, respectively, from the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association.





PGM Director Named Golf Professional of the Year

PGM Director Tom Philion has been named “Golf Professional of the Year” by the North-eastern New York Section of the Professional Golfers’ Association of America (NENY PGA).

“It’s an honor to be recognized by my peers for having a positive impact on the game of golf,” says Philion. “I’ve been very lucky. SUNY Delhi’s PGM program receives tremendous support from administration, faculty and staff, and it’s a pleasure to work with students who are eager to start a career and who love the game as much as I do.”

Philion, who has been director of SUNY Delhi’s Business and Professional Golf Management Program for the past 10 years, also serves as the women’s golf team coach. Prior to Delhi, he served as the Head Golf Professional at Columbia Golf & Country Club in Claverack, NY for 16 years. Philion is also the recipient of the NENY PGA Horton Smith Award for his contributions to the section’s educational programs in 1999 and 2008. He received the NENY PGA Bill Strausbaugh Award for club relations and community service in 2007. Philion has served two terms on the NENY PGA board of directors and served as president from 2010 to 2012. He earned PGA Certification in Executive Management in 2007.

SUNY’s Finest

Seven Delhi students, faculty and staff earned the highest honor awarded by the State University in 2015.

Patricia Eberhard, a Veterinary Science Technology major from Delhi, and John Nolis, a Mechatronics Design major from Nichols, who are among an elite group of students who were recognized with the Chancellor’s Award for Student Excellence.

Five Delhi faculty and staff were honored with Chancellor’s Awards for Excellence. Dr. Cheryle Levitt, Associate Professor, School of Nursing Online, received the Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Faculty Service. Dr. Monica Liddle, Professor of Liberal Arts and Sciences, was presented the Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching. Dr. Amie Mansfield received the Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Adjunct Teaching. Colleen Shackelton, Secretary 1 in Counseling and Health Services, was presented the Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Classified Service. Jeffrey Stedman, Director of Academic Advisement/Early Warning and EOP, was presented the Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Professional Service.

“These are exceptional members of the SUNY Delhi campus community and I am proud that Chancellor Zimpher has recognized them for all they do,” says SUNY Delhi President Candace Vancko.



John Nolis



Patricia Eberhard



Cheryle Levitt



Monica Liddle



Amie Mansfield



Jeffrey Stedman



Colleen Shackelton



Delhi Graduates Exceed Pass Rates

Recent graduates of SUNY Delhi’s Welding Technology program took the New York State Department of Transportation Field Welder (NYSDOT) exam for the first time and achieved a 100 percent pass rate, far surpassing the state pass rate of 25-30 percent.

Graduates of SUNY Delhi’s Veterinary Science Technology program scored above the national average on the recent Veterinary Technician National Exam (VTNE). Graduates who took the exam for the first time during July and August 2015 achieved an 88 percent pass rate, compared to the national average of 73 percent.

“Our students receive an exceptional education and that translates into exceptional results on accreditation exams,” Provost John Nader says.

Veterinary Science Technology Leaders

Two members of the Veterinary Science Technology faculty have been recognized for excellence by professional organizations.

Kathleen Ogborn (right), Associate Professor of Veterinary Science Technology, has been recognized by the Association of Veterinary Technician Educators (AVTE) with the Elsevier Award for Teaching Excellence, the organization’s most prestigious award.

A member of the Delhi faculty since 1999, Ogborn brings creative approaches to course content, incorporating online resources that enhance the classroom experience. Students in Ogborn’s classroom benefit from video recordings of her lectures and lab demonstrations, the use of a game-based learning site, and web-based, interactive content featuring practicing veterinary professionals handling real cases at an animal hospital. Many of these online tools allow students to review course material at their own pace.



Erica McKee ’04, LVT (left), Instructional Support Associate (ISA), has been named New York State Veterinary Technician of the Year by the New York Association of Veterinary Technicians (NYSAVT).

McKee has served as an Instructional Support Associate at SUNY Delhi for the past four years and is clinical coordinator for the Veterinary Science Technology program. She has also been appointed to a five-year term as a technician delegate to New York State Board for Veterinary Medicine.

“Kathleen and Erica demonstrate a tremendous passion for their field on a daily basis,” says Bret Meckel, DVM, Department Chair/Professor of Veterinary Science Technology. “These recognitions reinforce Delhi’s reputation as the national leader in vet tech education.”

Alumni Weekend 2015

A full weekend of fun brought alumni and guests to the Delhi campus

The weekend began with guided tours, golf, and a wine tasting tutorial led by Chef Victor Sommo '01 (top left). A welcome reception, sponsored by the College Association at Delhi, Inc. (CADI), gave alumni, faculty and staff a chance to catch up before the busy weekend. The reception was held in the Kennedy Lounge, newly renovated by students under the direction of Assistant Professor Jared Yando '05, Professor Gary Brackett, and Instructor Matt House.

Friday's reception was followed by the Alumni Association's awards dinner, sponsored and catered by CADI. Theresa Molloy '80 (pictured right with President Candace Vancko), Director of Governance and Shareholder Services for Prudential Financial, was honored as Distinguished Alumna.

Molloy is an accomplished financial services executive with proven expertise building innovative business-to-business capital markets intelligence and advisory services for the world's most respected companies, including Dow and S&P 500 leaders. Molloy previously served as Vice President, Global Issuer Services for the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) Euronext. There, she managed a team of professionals who served as a primary source for strategy, development and implementation of the NYSE Market Access Center and all NYSE investor relations services. Molloy was also Managing Director for the American Stock Exchange where she was responsible for determining market requirements and managing services designed to offer a diverse customer base of over 800 public companies' exposure to key investment professionals nationwide.

Molloy is a strong advocate for SUNY Delhi. As an alumna, she often returns to campus to make presentations, sharing her career advice with students and serving as a role model for young women who wish to excel in the world of business. In 2011, the college dedicated the Farrell Exercise and Dance Studio in honor of her gift in support of the studio. In 2012, Molloy was presented an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from the State University of New York, and in 2013, she served as an honorary chair of Delhi's 100th anniversary celebration. Molloy holds an associate's degree in Business from SUNY Delhi and a bachelor's degree in Political Science from the State University of New York at Stony Brook.

The Alumni Association also recognized President Candace Vancko with the Exemplary Service Award for her 17 years of leadership and made her an honorary SUNY Delhi alumna. President Vancko was instrumental in reestablishing the Alumni Advisory Council early in her tenure.

Saturday's events included the Kappa Sigma Epsilon breakfast meeting (second photo left), Psi Delta Omega and Alpha Beta Chi Brunch, Bronco alumni athletic games and tailgate lunch, self-defense tips by Cathy Harris, LCSW, a historic cemetery tour by Marianne Greenfield '83, and a presentation by Liberal Arts Professor Terry Hamblin on how Woodstock changed the world.

Saturday culminated with a Brooks BBQ dinner and Groovin': a 60's and 70's Musical Journey that presented live classics from the British Invasion and America's rock scene (bottom left).

Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees

SUNY Delhi inducted three new members into the Athletic Hall of Fame as part of its Alumni Weekend, June 6—Michael Spisto '94, Christina Intartaglia '07 and U.S. Senior Open Golf Champion Larry Laoretti.

Michael Spisto was a starter and captain for the men's basketball team. He led his team to two national tournaments, including the Final Four in 1994. Spisto was twice named an All-Region III and All-Mountain Valley selection.

Spisto coached the men's basketball team 1999–2001 and 2004–2006. In 2001, the team set a school record with a 28-game winning streak, earning the Mountain Valley Conference and District I Championship. His team advanced to the NJCAA National Championships, finishing fourth.

Spisto served as Delhi's Athletic Director from 2006 to 2008. He then moved on to coach at Rider University, University of Albany and New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT). He is currently Associate Director of The Learning Center at NJIT where he also serves as eligibility certification officer and academic advisor for NJIT athletes.

Christina Intartaglia, a member of the SUNY Delhi women's soccer team from 2005 to 2006, was the first women's soccer player in Delhi history to be named NJCAA First Team All-American. In 2006, she set a number of school records and led the Broncos to their first trip to regionals. She was named team captain and Delhi's Athlete of the Year in May 2007.

After earning an associate's degree in Sports Management from SUNY Delhi, Intartaglia played for two years at Division II, Dowling College, earning a bachelor's degree in Business Administration. She went on to earn a master's degree in Interpretation for the Deaf from Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C. Intartaglia returned to her hometown of Islip, Long Island where she now serves as an interpreter for the deaf, and the deaf and blind.

For more than 20 years, Larry Laoretti has been a volunteer national spokesman, advocate and supporter of SUNY Delhi's golf education and athletic programs. When he first became associated with SUNY Delhi, he was at the pinnacle of his career after winning the 1992 U.S. Senior Open Championship. He has played an invaluable role as national spokesman in fundraising for the expansion of the college golf course. He has appeared at virtually every SUNY Delhi golf fundraising tournament. The value of his volunteer services totals in the six figures. He has also been an invaluable resource for the college golf team and has hosted the team during its annual pre-season practice sessions.

A nationally recognized sports figure, Laoretti's career has spanned six decades. He now serves as part owner and managing partner at the Great Outdoors Golf Club in Titusville, FL and has hosted numerous fundraising tournaments there.



Athletic Hall of Fame Honorees for 2015
U.S. Senior Open Golf Champion Larry Laoretti, Christina Intartaglia '07 and Michael Spisto '94





Macdonald Named Applied Technologies Dean

Nancy Macdonald, who has devoted her 28-year career to SUNY Delhi, has been named Dean of Applied Technologies. “Nancy brings to the position a unique blend of experience, programmatic knowledge and administrative ability,” says Provost John Nader. “She has a longstanding commitment to advancing technology programs and recruiting a wide array of students.”

Macdonald is a pioneer in the advancement of women in the trades. She was the first woman hired by Delhi’s Technology Division, joining the faculty in 1987. She is the author of *Woodworking*, a comprehensive guide that is equally appealing to woodworking beginners and aspiring cabinetmakers. Macdonald was awarded the 2002 SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching, the State University’s most prestigious award. She also received the New York State Vanguard Award for promoting non-traditional degree options.

Bronco Sculpture Unveiled

A 12-foot stainless steel sculpture depicting the college’s mascot is now the focal point on the college’s Agora. The sculpture is the creation of welding students and faculty Chris Mignier (left) and D.J. Stein (right).

“The campus has wanted a sculpture of the mascot for a long time,” says Professor Mignier. “So we started looking at the Bronco logo and decided to make it into a three-dimensional sculpture.” The sculpture consists of two two-dimensional pieces cut from sheets of stainless steel that are connected by 1 1/2-inch steel pipe. The finished product measures nine feet from nose to mane and 12 feet in height.

The sculpture was commissioned by the Student Senate, which contributed \$5,000 toward the cost of materials as a gift in honor of the Class of 2014.



Networking Event Connects Students and Alumni



Delhi seniors honed their networking skills at a “mocktail” event co-hosted by the college’s Alumni Association and the Career and Business Development Office on March 25. “The goal was to help students prepare for the working world by

improving their ability to convey their professional interests and personal strengths,” says Glenda Roberts, Director, Career and Business Development.

Alumni offered their career advice in return, and shared their professional experiences with students. “It was a great activity for our alumni, and we appreciate all those willing to help students learn how to put their best foot forward,” says Lucinda Brydon, Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving.

Megan Montgomery, a senior in Culinary Arts, commented, “With graduation around the corner, I enjoyed the opportunity to be a part of this event. It put real life scenarios into play. I left thinking about the job I really see myself doing.”

Alumni participating included: John Mannix ’91, Architecture Director, Wealth and Investment Manager, Barclays; James Palmiter ’81 (left), Managing Principal, Summit Financial Planning; Kathy Holusha ’68, former Human Resource Data Security Specialist, Warner-Lambert/Pfizer; Nathaniel Gresock ’10, Visitors Services Specialist, Visit Syracuse and Helpdesk Support Staff, PEC; Corey LaMonica ’13, Assistant Manager, Birchwood Country Club; Subhash Modasra ’13, Associate Market Manager, Upstate New York Expedia Lodging Partner Services; Michael Mercadante ’09 (below), Head Golf Professional, Brynwood Golf and Country Club; and Andrew Navarro ’08, Assistant Golf Professional, Morris County Golf Club.



High School Students Get a Jump on College

A partnership between the Delaware Academy (DA) Central School District and SUNY Delhi allows DA students to earn an Automotive Technology certificate from Delhi upon high school graduation.

Students who successfully complete the program and graduate from Delaware Academy are guaranteed admission into Delhi’s Automotive Technology program and will only need to successfully complete two or three additional semesters to earn an associate’s degree. Pictured is Professor Steve Tucker introducing prospective DA students to their new home in Delhi’s automotive lab.

CLASSNOTES

1949

Paul Hogancamp retired as a professional photographer, certified by the Professional Photographers of America (PPA). Prior to that, he served in the Air Force, working on the first Titan ICBM, and as an engineer for General Dynamics-Pomona. Paul currently lives in Apple Valley, CA with his son and daughter-in-law. He and his son attend a woodworkers club in Riverside once a month.

1953

William Misnick has been a contributor to many community organizations, including helping children battling cancer resulting from the Chernobyl power plant disaster. He is also active with the Elks and Lions Clubs, CWV, VFW, Sister Cities Association of Corning, and as a volunteer for his local warplane museum.

1964



Pete Wilson (right) is Chief Geologist and Vice President of Exploration for Berexo LLC, an independent oil and gas exploration and production company headquartered in Wichita, KS. Pete and his wife Micki visited campus for the first time in 50 years to meet Patrick McIntee '16 (center) who received a scholarship created by the Wilsons in memory of Pete's mother, Margaret.

1969

Bill Gaetano (below right) accepted the Associated General Contractor's Willis Construction Safety Excellence Award on behalf of Charles A. Gaetano Construction. The company was selected a winner in the Building Division's 100,000–250,000 work hour category and was commended for taking a proactive approach by presenting guidance in safety and occupation health management, risk control, safety training, work site hazard identification and control, and safety program innovation. Bill, a member of the Construction Management Advisory Council, serves as the company's president and lives in Utica, NY with wife, Cecelia.



Lawrence Elwood Thurber is a retired special education teacher's aide. He has been judging horse shows for 25 years with a knowledge of Pintos, Miniatures and about 70 other breeds. Lawrence lives in East Concord, NY.

1971

Wanita Lewis, now a centenarian, was featured in the *Good Blessing* blog that noted all the technological advances since her birth—electricity, automobiles, telephones, running water, indoor plumbing, air conditioning, and central heating. Lewis lives at St. James Place in Oneonta, NY, and continues to be a philanthropic supporter of SUNY Delhi.

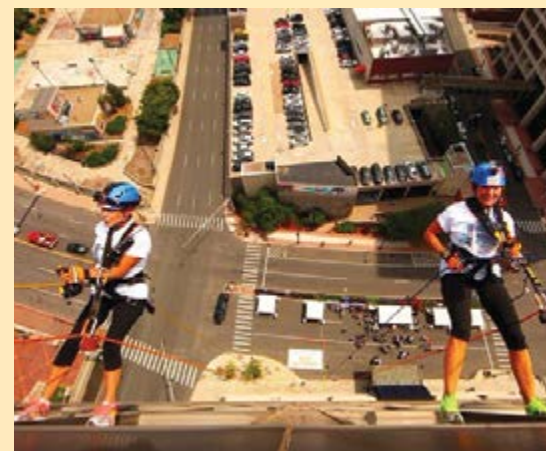
1973

Kenneth Carpentier retired from Guida's Dairy after pasteurizing milk for 42 years. He currently resides in Wallingford, CT with his wife. He looks forward to fishing, traveling, and attending fairs to watch horse pulling.

1975



Roy Cuellar (center) is a retired airline pilot and is currently pursuing a bachelor's degree from Boise State University in Idaho. Roy thanks SUNY Delhi for serving as an influence in his life. He has become good friends with Professor Jack Tessier (left) and connected with Jack and his wife, Assistant Professor Lisa Tessier, this summer.



Joyce Johnson Roth and **Charlene Wago Decker** competed in the Shatterproof Challenge Event, rappelling down the Hartford Hilton Hotel in Hartford, CT in July. Their participation was supported by classmates **Ellen Covino**, **Janice Haeger**, **Joyce Johnson** and **Ellen Kennes**.

Charles McAteer recently retired from SUNY Stony Brook after 37 years in campus planning, design and construction. He is still active as a United University Professions (UUP) union delegate, retiree and supporter of public higher education. Charles lives on Long Island.

1977

Robert Ingegneri recently retired as a high-voltage cable splicer with Local Union #3, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers of New York City, which he considered the greatest job in the world.

1979

Paul Bedford is Member/Owner of Keystone Associates Architects, Engineers & Surveyors, LLC in Binghamton, NY. He was recently featured in a newsletter produced by Delhi's Architectural Technology program and serves on the Architecture Advisory Council.

Eileen Craft (below center) is a partner of SCH Financial Group LLC, a wealth strategist company in Naples, FL. She recently visited campus for a reception to honor the college's Centennial Campaign leaders.



1987

Sean Whittaker is President and CEO of Incodema, a machine parts manufacturer located in Ithaca, NY. Whittaker founded the company and recently secured investments to expand his operations to include 3D printing. Incodema was one of the first companies to be accepted into the START-UP NY (SUNY Tax-Free Areas to Revitalize and Transform Upstate New York) program.

1989

Heidi Vanbuskirk Larounis (below right) and her husband, James, own The Heights Restaurant and H Bar. The fine dining establishment is very popular in Ithaca and is frequented by alumna **Carol Stangle Brewer '63** (below left).



Geovanny Osorio, AIA, NCARB, graduated from Pratt Institute School of Architecture in 1993 with honors and has been an architect for many years. He is currently Senior Project Manager, CRT for Wastewater Operations, City of Houston. One of his favorite projects (pictured) was completed in April 2014, a \$4.7 million project to fully restore the iconic peaked roof at Miller Outdoor Theatre in Houston. "The part of me that harbors so many memories of performances at Miller Theatre is thrilled with the beautiful restoration project," said Houston Mayor Annise Parker. "The logical left side of my brain that helps govern this city is delighted to say that this job has been completed on time and within budget. All Houstonians should take pride in this exceptional public facility." Most recently, Geovanny worked on Phase I of Houston's new BARC Animal Adoption Center.



2000

Christina Powers began her own business, Common Cents Payroll & Bookkeeping Services, in Richfield, MN in 2004. She reports that she recently opened a branch in Monticello, NY as a minority/woman-owned business.

2004

Michael Golden has been named ValleyCrest Golf Maintenance's new superintendent at Longshore Golf Club in Westport, CT. Prior to joining ValleyCrest, Golden served as Assistant Superintendent at the Stanwich Club in Greenwich. He was also Assistant Superintendent at Edgewood Country Club in River Vale, NJ, Century Country Club in Purchase, NY, and Metedeconk National Golf Club in Jackson, NJ. Golden has 13 years of experience preparing courses for professional tournaments, including the Dick's Sporting Goods Open, LPGA Match Play Championship, and the U.S. Open.

Richard Goodell is Community College Outreach Manager with Bellevue University. He assists students transferring to Bellevue upon completion of their associate's degrees from Onondaga Community College. He comments, "Things are going great!"

2010

Dan Barusch is the new planning and zoning director for the Town of Lake George. Dan graduated magna cum laude from Arizona State University's Herberger School of Design and completed his a master's degree in Urban and Environmental Planning. He writes, "My two years at SUNY Delhi set me up for the rest of my college years, and I wouldn't have changed a thing about it." Classmates can find him on LinkedIn.



Robert Dillon is Project Manager for Hueber-Breuer Construction Company in Syracuse, NY. He was awarded the Associated General Contractors of New York State's

2014 Jeffrey J. Zogg Build New York Award for the Onondaga Community College Academic II Performing Arts Building. This state-wide award recognizes excellence in construction management and teamwork. The certified LEED gold building is a two-story, 35 foot high, 45,000 square-foot "bridge" that now links the college's east and west campuses.

2013

Heather Jock was promoted to Reservation Specialist at Schenectady County Community College. She is responsible for coordinating special events on campus, including daily, weekly, and monthly booking of guests in the Casola Dining Room and Van Curler Banquet Room.

Jacob Zurlick has joined Hunt Engineers, Architects & Land Surveyors, P.C. as an architectural designer. He has been involved in a variety of design projects, including municipal, K-12 and commercial projects.

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In Memoriam

SUNY Delhi notes with sorrow the deaths of the following alumni, faculty and staff:

Milton Comfort '43
Henry Mandato '58
Robert W. Grich, Sr. '60
John Graef '62
Peter Haines '65
Douglas Bishop '66
Thomas Potter '66
Harry Connors '67
Robert Voigt '67
William Szawranskyj '67
Loana Houck Markert '70
Robert Hardcastle '73
Terrence Watters '74
Jeffrey Hamsher '75
Shaun Hathaway '78
James Balzer '81
Kevin Campbell '82
Matthew Lamberg '05
Christopher William Polomcean '05
Miguel Cruz Short '10

Sharlene Billek
CADI General Service

Mark Kerkes
CADI Assistant Cook

Lorelle Magnost Phillips
Technical Specialist

Nellie Gabriel
Food Services

George Marcus
College Council

Joe Panioli
Technical Assistant

Richard Smith
Instructor of Welding

James Stewart
Professor of Liberal Arts

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Presidential Search

The initial review of applicants to succeed SUNY Delhi President Candace Vancko has begun. President Vancko will retire in 2016 following a distinguished 17-year leadership career at SUNY Delhi.

Applicants are being evaluated by RPA Inc., an executive search and consulting firm specializing in higher education that was hired last spring by the SUNY Delhi College Council to assist with the search process. State University guidelines stipulate that the College Council is responsible for the search process. Council Chair Nancy Deming is heading up the search committee.

“President Vancko has done an outstanding job of leading the college and positioning it for long-term growth,” Deming says. “She’s a stellar leader who, with the faculty, staff and students, has made Delhi a star in the SUNY system, and her efforts have us poised to attract a dynamic leader who will guide the college through the next decade.”

“The response to this leadership opportunity has been impressive,” says Jim Heffernan, Senior Consultant at RPA. “I believe we will be able to recommend a strong pool of candidates for the College Council and Search Committee to consider.”

The composition of the Search Committee is based on SUNY guidelines and is designed to represent a wide range of the campus community. Faculty and staff representatives were elected by their peers and include Jessica Backus-Foster, Assistant Professor, Business and Hospitality; Dan Davis, Associate Professor, Applied Technologies; Terry Hamblin, Professor, Liberal Arts and Sciences; Jennifer Lusins, Associate Professor, School of Nursing; Jack Tessier, Professor, Liberal Arts and Sciences; Stephen Tucker, Professor, Applied Technologies;



Alfred Dubreuil, Head Grounds Supervisor; Lori Osterhoudt, Director of Counseling and Health Services; and Jeffrey Stedman, Director of Academic Advisement. Other members of the committee include Jared Yando, Alumni Council Representative; Donald Farley, College Foundation Representative; Mary Pat Lewis, Dean/Professor, School of Nursing; Anthony Cucci, Student Representative; Michelle Fisher, Wayne Oliver and Joseph Sutaris, College Council members; and Nancy Kleniewski, President, SUNY Oneonta. Roberta Hudson, Secretary 2, and Jason Lane and Kaitlyn Beacher from SUNY System Administration are serving as liaisons to the committee.

The search committee’s goal is to select semifinalists for on-campus interviews this fall. During the on-campus visits, students, staff, faculty, and others will have the opportunity to meet with each semifinalist in various open groups, as well as in other “designated” groups, also providing students, staff and faculty with opportunities to meet those candidates. When three top finalists are designated, they will be recommended to Chancellor Nancy Zimpher. The final selection will be made by the SUNY Board of Trustees in 2016.