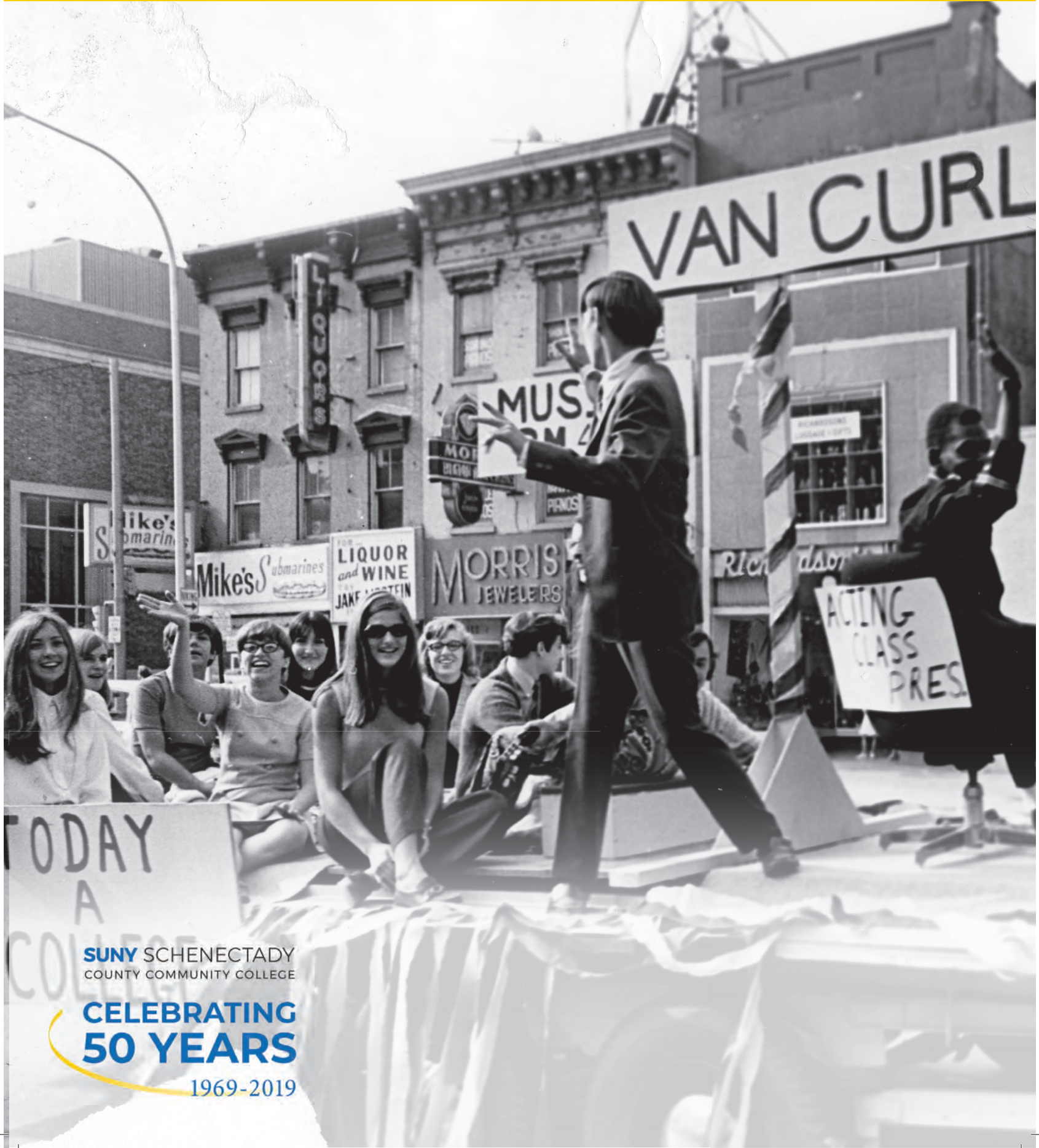


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COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

**CELEBRATING
50 YEARS**

1969-2019

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Saturday, September 13, 1969,
"Yesterday a Hotel, Today a College" was
the theme of this float made by students for
the Opening Day parade of the College.

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Dear Alumni and Friends,

In July 1966, a 50-member Community College Study Committee, comprised of local citizens, recommended to the members of the Education Committee and the Schenectady County Board of Representatives that a community college be established in Schenectady County, stating that "the most important benefit brought by a college of this nature is the greater opportunity for education for both young and old throughout all sections and strata of the community."

On September 17, 1969, Schenectady County Community College opened its doors to the public, welcoming students who were ready to take the next steps in their education.

Fifty years later, on September 17, 2019, SUNY Schenectady officially kicked off its 50th anniversary with a special celebration! The College is hosting a variety of community events this year that will highlight our five academic divisions, and lay the groundwork for the next 50 years, including our vision to be the regional leader in supporting and expanding innovative and collaborative programs that transform our students and communities.

We invite you to participate in this important milestone for the College. Thank you for being a part of the SUNY Schenectady family!

Steady H. Moono, Ed.D.
President



Fall Concerts • All concerts take place in the Carl B. Taylor Community Auditorium.



Musicians of Ma'alwyck preview
Wednesday, November 6, 2019, noon, *free*

Chamber Ensembles
Monday, December 2, 2019, 7:30 p.m., *free*

Jazz and Percussion Ensembles
Wednesday, December 4, 2019, 7:30 p.m., *free*

Chorus and Vocal Chamber Ensemble
Monday, December 9, 2019, 7:30 p.m., *free*

Guitar Ensembles
Tuesday, December 10, 2019, 7:30 p.m., *free*

Jazz Combo
Wednesday, December 11, 2019, 7:30 p.m., *free*

Wind Ensemble
Friday, December 13, 2019, 7:30 p.m., *free*

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In celebration of our golden
anniversary, there are a
variety of events taking place
throughout the year!

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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

A Career That Has Impacted Lives Across the State Began with College Internship



One night while Karin Carreau was interning as a domestic violence advocate at the YWCA, an encounter with a client changed the course of her life. She didn't know it at the time, but it would open up a career avenue for her that has spanned nearly two decades and resulted in her playing a key role in statewide legislative changes that have impacted thousands of people.

"When I started at the College as a Human Services major in the 90s, I was quite sure I wanted to become a Clinical Social Worker," she said. "However, an interaction with a young woman and her two-year-old daughter sent me down an entirely different path when I was attempting to access a number of services for her and hit a series of roadblocks as she didn't necessarily meet some of the specific criteria. I began to think about the policy side of social welfare and wondered how and who writes it."

She discussed this with longtime human services Professor Jim Livingston. "He and my other professors not only encouraged me, but helped me figure out a pathway that would eventually coalesce into a career," she said.

Now, 20 years later, Karin is the Principal of Carreau Consulting, a boutique government relations firm that has consistently established high political profiles for organizations including the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), Families Together in New York State, and YouthBuild. She has given a voice to unrepresented populations delivering victories on landmark legislative issues.

Timothy's Law is one such victory. Karin was one of the lobbyists, representing the NASW, who worked to have the law changed in 2006. Insurers are now required to reimburse and give access to mental health services as they would physical health services.

She was a primary negotiator of the "Raise the Age" legislation, which was passed two years ago and raises the age of criminal responsibility from 16 to 18. She also worked to secure more than \$4 million in state funding for YouthBuild, a program that teaches construction skills to at-risk young people.

"It's impossible not to be passionate about your work when it involves a program like YouthBuild where it may be the last opportunity for someone to get an education, to gain job skills, and have the support that will make a difference for them in the trajectory of their lives, or a piece of legislation that can ultimately determine if an individual has access to vital mental health services," she said.

Karin has also fought hard to assure mental health services provided to underserved populations are done so by qualified, licensed practitioners. She's created and then expanded a statewide social work loan forgiveness program, led the charge on a recently passed bill banning conversion therapy on minors, and is now working on initiatives to license Certified Athletic Trainers, increase access to mental health services in schools, and provide vegan options in districts across the state.

Karin's career began after she graduated summa cum laude with a B.S. in Social Welfare and then a Masters of Social Welfare from the University at Albany. She has also been a trailblazer in the field. When she was a Governmental Relations Specialist for the NASW, following her work as a Political Field Organizer for Hillary Clinton's senate campaign in 2000, she was often the only female at the table. "But there are more women now in all facets of the legislative arena and I hope my ongoing work with the College encourages more young women to think about such a career," she said.

Celebrating Our Golden Anniversary

Then • 1969



Some of the first applicants to the College stand outside Elston Hall with Peter Lederer, the first Director of Admissions.

Now • 2019



Dr. Steady Moono, College President, with students on the front steps of Elston Hall while filming a special 50th anniversary video.

In 1969 there were:

- Eight degree programs
- One building (Elston Hall)

In 2019 there are:

- 59 degree and certificate programs
- Five buildings (Elston Hall, Stockade Building, School of Music, Gateway Building, and the Center for Science and Technology), plus extension sites at Center City and the Kindl Building in downtown Schenectady, Albany (Central Avenue, Workforce Development programs) and Richmor Aviation in Scotia



Registering for classes, 1980

Read more about SUNY Schenectady's history and notable alumni by visiting: sunysccc.edu/50-Years

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ROYAL Gala

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**Tuesday, November 12, 2019
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
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Chef Anand "AJ" Jayapal '98
Swiftly's



Chef Giovanni Lontoc '17
D&L Hospitality



Chef Jaime Ortiz '05
677 Prime



Chef Joan R. Dembinski '10
Yono's



Chef Kristin Hartman '13
Mazzone Hospitality



Chef Katie Haskins '19
Hooked Seafood Co.

Celebrate with Alumni Guest Chefs

New Food Truck is Innovative Teaching Tool on Campus



Faculty and students prepared delicious cuisine that guests enjoyed during a special Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new SUNY Schenectady Mobile Food Service Classroom (Food Truck) over the summer. The College is offering a new Mobile Food Service certificate program for the first time this fall. Left to right are: Michael Hazard, Technical Assistant; Marie Daly, Culinary Arts student; Ron Ragucci, Technical Specialist; and Vicky Gizzi and Lisa Riley, both recent graduates of the Culinary Arts program.



Cutting the ribbon are: Dr. David Brough, Dean of the School of Hotel, Culinary Arts and Tourism; Honorable Angelo Santabarbara, New York State Assemblyman; Joan Dembinski, Culinary Arts alumna '09, '10 (the food truck was fully funded by the SUNY Schenectady Foundation and a generous donation made by Dembinski); Ann Fleming Brown, Chair of the SUNY Schenectady Board of Trustees; Honorable Anthony Jasenski, Chair of the Schenectady County Legislature; Jonathan Pirro, Director of Policy for Senator James Tedisco; and Jamison R. Flora, Chair of the SUNY Schenectady County Community College Foundation.

A LEGACY OF LEARNING

A Keystone Society Profile: The Honorable Karen Brown Johnson



Karen Johnson with Matilda Cropper, Nutrition major and recipient of the scholarship that Karen established, during Honors Convocation 2017.

SUNY Schenectady honors the extraordinary life of the Honorable Karen Brown Johnson, who supported countless students attending the College over the course of decades. Karen passed away peacefully at her home in Schenectady on June 10, 2019.

Karen was a champion of the people of Schenectady throughout her many years of civic engagement and tireless advocacy. When she moved to Schenectady in 1967, her career in public service started almost immediately. Early on, she devoted her energies to the Schenectady City School District and

increased her service through her election as the first woman to the Schenectady City Council in 1975. In 1983, Karen became the first woman to be elected Schenectady's mayor, serving in this role for two terms, and later serving as a member of the Schenectady County Legislature from 2001 until her death.

Always passionate about bringing people together for the common purpose of creating innovative solutions to community challenges, Karen was instrumental in preventing the Glendale Nursing Home from closing, helped to save Proctors from demolition, established the Kids Arts Festival, and founded Jazz on Jay. She was also a member of the third generation of her family's business, Highlights for Children.

SUNY Schenectady honored Karen as a Distinguished Community Volunteer in 2016. In 2018, she earned Schenectady's highest distinction, the Patroon Award, and she was recognized by the Women's Fund of the Capital Region as a Trailblazer. In March 2019, the Schenectady County Legislature elected to name in her honor the main branch of the Schenectady Public Library – now known as the Honorable Karen B. Johnson Library.

At once both tenacious and humble, Karen's thoughtful nature, fierce determination, strength, commitment to inclusiveness,

and change-maker mentality touched many lives and will be deeply missed. She leaves a legacy to support students in perpetuity through her Karen Brown Johnson Scholarship endowment at SUNY Schenectady, which will enable Schenectady students to pursue their dreams, impacting generations with her kindness.



In 2016, the SUNY Schenectady Foundation honored Karen with the Distinguished Community Volunteer Award during the Royal Gala. She is pictured with Richard Kotlow, Chair of the Foundation Board of Directors, Ann Fleming Brown, Chair of the Board of Trustees, and Dr. Steady Moono, College President.

To include the SUNY Schenectady Foundation in your will, please ask your attorney to include the following language:

I give _____ (specific amount or property, percentage, or residue) to the tax-exempt SUNY Schenectady Foundation, located in Schenectady, N.Y., for the purpose of supporting its educational programs and students. (Tax ID 23-7194187)

For more information about leaving a legacy by joining the Keystone Society, please contact (518) 381-1322.

Keystone Society Members

- Benita C. Allaire
- Dr. Stephen K. Astmann
- Helen H. Begley*
- Vladia C. Boniewski '71, SUNY Schenectady Emeritus
- Professor Grayce Susan Burian, SUNY Schenectady Emeritus
- Charles W. Carl, Jr. *
- Professor Peter Cousins, SUNY Schenectady Emeritus*
- Professor Mary Jane Dike, SUNY Schenectady Emeritus
- Margaret A. Evans '81
- Karen* & Walter Grattidge
- Al & Anita Haugen
- Karen Brown Johnson*
- Dr. Margaret (Peggy) King, SUNY Schenectady Emeritus
- Professor Jessica K. Malheiros, SUNY Schenectady Emeritus, Founding Faculty Member*
- Ellie Moore '86
- Thomas Nelson, SUNY Schenectady Emeritus, & Ann Henderson
- Anne & Terry Phillips
- Thomas L. & Barbara M. Rider
- Janet P. Robbins, SUNY Schenectady Emeritus
- Gretchen & Lewis Rubenstein
- Donald F. Schenk '74*
- Dr. Joshua S. Schwartz
- Phyllis E. Gordon Stanton
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**In Memoriam*

PAVING THE WAY FOR FUTURE ROYALS

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Join us in marking 50 years of empowering students through education, and helping to lay the groundwork for the next 50 with your gift to our 50th Anniversary Brick Campaign: *Paving the Way for Future Royals*.

SUNY Schenectady is creating an area that will beautify the campus and become a serene space for students and visitors. The walkway will feature a commemorative brick pathway. Bricks engraved with the names of alumni, friends, faculty, staff, and retirees serve as a reminder of the people who are part of our history and our future.

Support Students on Their SUNY Schenectady Journey

Your participation in *Paving the Way for Future Royals* will help to ease financial burdens that pose obstacles to a student's academic success, graduation, and personal growth. Contributions fund scholarships that cover the cost of books and fees, emergency loans that help alleviate temporary stresses, Food Pantry supplies, and *Achieving The Dream*. Support for *Paving The Way for Future Royals* will help students to manage challenges and put them on the path to accomplishing their goals.

ORDER YOUR BRICK TODAY.

Bricks can be purchased for \$150 (\$100 for faculty, staff, alumni, and retirees). Fee covers bricks, engraving of text, and installation. Bricks measure approximately 7 ½ x 4 inches.

Your engraved brick connects you with our College and its mission.

Name, class (or retirement) year, and a school or department name can be listed. Up to three lines of text, 18 characters per line can be displayed. Character count will include punctuation and spaces. All inscriptions shall be centered on the brick in capital letters. Punctuation is limited to any contemporary keyboard symbol. Spaces between words cannot be omitted to make an inscription fit within the character limit.



Learn more or buy a brick at sunysccc.edu/50years.

BRICK ORDER FORM

Bricks can be purchased for \$150 (\$100 for faculty/staff, alumni, retirees)

PURCHASER INFORMATION

A tax deductible receipt will be sent to the address of the purchaser.

First name _____

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(if part of inscription) _____

Address _____

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Brick inscription:

Please print clearly using **CAPITAL LETTERS**:

Names, class years, department/division names, are acceptable.

PAYMENT

- Enclosed is a check** made out to Schenectady County Community College Foundation, Inc.

Please charge my

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Account number _____

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ALUMNI CONNECTIONS

Class Notes

90s



Marc Renson '92, Culinary Arts, is the owner of Ambition Café, a funky urban bistro, in Schenectady. The café is a popular destination for movie stars and celebrities who perform at Proctors. Over the years, he has been honored as a local advocate for the arts and published his book,

Is the Coffee Fresh? Confessions of

Drama, Dysfunction, and Daily Life at a Downtown Coffeehouse, which highlights his experiences in the food service industry. His recipes and experiences have also been featured in national books such as *The Upscale Redneck Riviera Cookbook and Travel Guide – Beaches, Salt Water, Tiki Torches, Trop Rock Music and Great Food!* and *The Turnaround: Amazing Stories of Success from Ordinary People who Turned their Dream Ideas into Thriving Businesses*.

Joseph R. Fitzgerald '93, Liberal Arts, is an Assistant Professor of History and Political Science at Cabrini University, in Radnor, Penn. He is the author of *The Struggle Is Eternal: Gloria Richardson and Black Liberation* and is currently working on a biography of Barbara Smith, a Black radical activist intellectual.



10s



Missy Henry '14, Culinary Arts and Hotel and Restaurant Management, graduated from Delhi University with a bachelor's degree in Event Management. Missy is the Food and Beverage Director at the Tri-City ValleyCats, and owns Caroline's Kitchen, a catering and events company.

Jeanne Munroe '15, Liberal Arts, is a Regional Sales Manager with AllyHealth Telemedicine, which provides a virtual care platform to connect employees and members to healthcare access. Jeanne thanks SUNY Schenectady for building her communication, multi-tasking, and sales skills, which have allowed her to be successful in her career.



Fellow Graduates, Now Husband and Wife



In 2012, Jake and Anna Benninger's love story began as students in the Performing Arts: Music program. They attended the same courses, and eventually had their first date at the Avery Fisher Hall in New York City to see the New York Philharmonic. After a year, the couple went to see the symphony orchestra again at the Lincoln Center, where Jake proposed to Anna.

In 2014, they both graduated with A.S. degrees in Performing Arts: Music and were in the first graduating class from the new School of Music building. Jake continued his studies at the College and graduated with an A.S. degree in Business Administration in 2015.

On July 1, 2017, the couple were married at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany, and live in Altamont, N.Y. Jake graduated with a bachelor's degree in Accounting from the University of Albany and is now working in the State and Local Tax Group at PriceWaterhouseCoopers, while working toward his master's degree in Taxation and CPA credential. After graduating from SUNY Schenectady, Anna earned her bachelor's degree in Creative Arts with a minor in English from Siena College in 2017. She is currently working at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception with the Cathedral Choir School of Albany, and teaches private violin and viola lessons at local music studios.

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Owners of New Brewery and Taproom Learned Essentials in College Course



When Erika Anderson and Jeff Mannion looked out at the tables full of patrons gathered in their new brewery and taproom, Unified Beerworks in Malta, they realized that their plan had really come together.

“We have no TVs and that’s on purpose,” Erika explained. “We wanted to create an atmosphere where people were encouraged to talk to each other and they were all doing exactly what we had envisioned.”

Another part of their plan for the brewery, which opened in October 2018, was to support other local entrepreneurs and businesses. They’ve accomplished this

by having local food trucks on site every weekend and by serving and selling cheeses from local farms. “We are grateful that we also have the ability to work with other small businesses,” Erika said. “Being able to support this movement of going back to how things used to be before everything was so processed, feels right.”

The husband and wife team opened Unified Beerworks after deciding that they both wanted a change from their respective careers in biotechnology and database marketing.

After starting home brewing as a hobby and creating their own recipes (she has a knack for sours and saisons and Jeff enjoys New England style IPAs and stouts), they took their interest in brewing to the next level in 2016 by both enrolling in the Craft Brewing and Distilling course through the College’s Office of Workforce Development and

Community Education. They learned the fundamentals of the brewing business, from beer maturation, storage, processing and packaging, to malting, mashing, brewing, fermentation, finishing, and distillation basics.

“The instructors were amazing and they are already established in the industry, so it was great how welcoming and knowledgeable everyone was,” Erika explained.

They finished the course in January 2017, created a business plan for their brewery shortly thereafter, and chose Malta as the location for Unified Beerworks. Erika reflected on their first year in business this way, “We feel humbled to be part of the emerging brewing industry,” she said. “We have an amazing team that supports us and they are super passionate about our business, which is amazing.”

Distinguished Alumni

Chef Jackie Baldwin '02*

A.A.S., Food Sales & Distribution

James Bigley '76, A.A.S., Hotel and Restaurant Management

Prescott Brown '71*, A.A.S., Hotel and Restaurant Management

Karin Carreau '98, A.S., Human Services

Richard Carrier '80, A.A.S., Hotel and Restaurant Management

Thomas Constantine '83, A.A.S., Criminal Justice

Thomas Dalton Bambury '91, '13*, A.S., Performing Arts: Drama, Certificate, Chemical Dependency Counseling

Kenneth Counterline '93, A.S., Business Administration

Joan R. Dembinski '09, '10, Certificate, Assistant Chef, A.O.S., Culinary Arts

Vera Dordick '04, A.O.S., Culinary Arts

Adebola Elefontuyi '03, A.S., Computer Science

Margaret Evans '81, A.A.S., Accounting

Dion Flynn '17, A.S., Performing Arts: Drama

Raymond Fox '73, A.A., Liberal Arts: Social Science

Rachel Gayne '87, A.S., Performing Arts: Music

George Goldhoff '84, A.A.S., Hotel and Restaurant Management

Scott Gresens '01, A.A.S., Computer Information Systems

Jamie Hildenbrandt '07, A.S., Aviation Science

Henny Kupferstein '13, A.S., Human Services

Angelo Mazzone '74, A.A.S., Hotel and Restaurant Management

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Christopher Miller '87, A.S., Computer Science

Jay Murphy '79, A.A., Liberal Arts: Humanities and Social Science

Patricia Pendergast Novo '05, A.O.S., Culinary Arts

Heather Peterson '99, A.A.S., Accounting

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Keith Pray '93, A.S., Performing Arts: Music

Laura Primiano '00, A.A.S., Hotel and Restaurant Management

Lt. Kendall Richardson '99, '00, Certificate, Fire Science, A.A.S., Fire Protection Technology

Joshua Ross '13, A.S., Aviation Science

Tony M. Sano '87*, A.S., Performing Arts: Music

Theresa Taylor '11, A.A.S., Chemical Dependency Counseling

Hon. Kate Toombs '94, A.A., Liberal Arts: Humanities and Social Science

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Michele Von Haugg '98, A.S., Performing Arts: Music, Music Certificate

Susan Watson '78*, A.A.S., Paralegal

Aaron Wyanski '02, '03, A.S., Performing Arts: Music, A.A.S., Music Business

Susan Zongrone '85, A.A.S., Hotel and Restaurant Management

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Laura A. Primiano '00

As General Manager of the Landing Hotel, connected to Rivers Casino & Resort in Schenectady, Laura is responsible for all functions related to transitioning the property from management company oversight to full independent status. As such, she improved working conditions, restructured the Hotel Leadership Team alignment, and upgraded the hotel stay experience for guests by initiating Team Member/Guest engagement programs. She has received numerous awards and recognition for excellent customer service and superior performance, and she is a Hilton Garden Inn Food and Beverage Champion and Hilton Garden Inn General Manager Certified.



M. A. Waheed

M.A. runs the Taj Mahal, an award-winning Indian restaurant in Schenectady. He is a Past President of the Tri-City Indian Association and has been actively engaged in supporting cultural and literary programs for the South Asian community in the Capital District. He is also a regular contributor to local journals for the South Asian community. Throughout his career, M.A. has been a guest lecturer in Bombay, Hyderabad, Chennai, and most recently at NYU and the University at Albany, covering a range of topics including creativity, brand building, advertising, hospitality marketing, multicultural communication, and client relationships.

Snapshots from Honors Convocation 2019

Among the important "vision supporters" for our students are our donors whose generosity makes it possible for the SUNY Schenectady Foundation to provide students with important scholarships.

During Honors Convocation 2019, the Foundation presented more than \$230,000 in scholarships to 203 of the College's most deserving students.



Paula S. Marshman, Co-Chair of the Program Committee for the Women's Fund of the Capital Region (center), with scholarship recipients Rookmin Churaman, Jessica Beauchemin, Bambi Langlois, and Nkeiru Ubadike.



Samuel Pierre-Michel, recipient of the A Place for Jazz Scholarship, with Brett Wery, Dean of the School of Music, and Tim Coakley, from A Place for Jazz.

New Scholarships • Thank you for your generosity!

Albany ENT Scholarship



Albany ENT and Allergy Services is a comprehensive practice devoted to the

care of adults and children with disorders of the ear, nose, throat, head, and neck. Through the Foundation's capital campaign, Albany ENT created this endowed scholarship to help a student with financial need, enrolled full time or part time in any health care related degree program.

Joseph D. and Arlene H. (Hooks) Ehlinger Nutrition Scholarship



This new endowed scholarship was created to assist a woman

pursuing her associate's degree in Nutrition. Preference will be given to a female from the Little Falls or Herkimer County area where the Ehlinger family resided. Joe and Arlene were strong proponents of education and hard work. Through this scholarship, their children Jim, Marc, Elaine, John, Bob, Joan, and Mary wish to honor their parents, and especially Arlene's strong interest in nutrition.



Martin, Harding & Mazzotti Scholarship

More than 25 years ago, Bruce L. Martin, Paul B. Harding and SUNY

Schenectady Foundation Board member Victor L. Mazzotti joined together to form Martin, Harding & Mazzotti, LLP, a New York-

based personal injury law firm. In addition to their commitment to helping clients, Martin, Harding & Mazzotti believes strongly in giving back to their neighbors and started this endowed scholarship to help students in perpetuity.

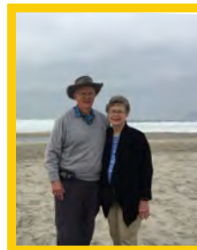
Silas & Ethel Moono Scholarship



College President Dr. Steady Moono and his wife, Kelly, created this scholarship in honor of his parents, Silas and Ethel Moono. It will be awarded to a returning student in any degree program,

enrolled full time or part time, who has successfully completed one year in the Student Mentoring Program. The recipient must have a minimum grade-point average of 2.5.

Phillips Family Scholarship



This scholarship was created through a planned gift by Terry Phillips, Foundation Board Member Emeritus, and his wife Anne, and will be awarded to an entering student with financial need, enrolled full time or part time in any degree program, with preference given to a single parent, an Eagle Scout, and/or a first-generation college student.



Still Small Voice 4U Lee Shaw Scholarship

Established by Kathy and Ron Cooke in honor of "First Lady of Jazz" Lee Shaw, an American jazz pianist and composer, this scholarship provides one scholarship annually to a student enrolled in the School of Music who is pursuing a career in jazz, with preference given to women.

UHY Advisors/Kotlow Scholarship



Dick Kotlow (UHY Advisors retiree), Promise Campaign Co-Chair and Foundation Board Member, created this endowed scholarship, along with UHY Advisors, to help students achieve their educational goals. UHY Advisors is one of the top professional services firms in the country, and UHY International is one of the largest accounting networks in the world.

In Remembrance of Evvie Currie

We extend our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Evelyn "Evvie" Currie, a dedicated scholarship supporter who passed away in June 2019 at age 95.

After graduating from the Eastman School of Music in 1946, Evvie taught vocal music and was the choral director at all levels from kindergarten through college during 30 years of teaching. She was a 65+ member of the American Association of University Women, volunteer usher at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center for 30 years, and a 50-year member of the NYS School Music Association and the Music Educators National Conference.

Inspired by the scholarship support that enabled her to attend Eastman, she established the **Evelyn M. Currie Music Department Scholarship** endowment in 2013, which is awarded annually to a full-time female student enrolled in the School of Music.

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