(Left) Alonzo Reyes, individual studies major, and Mark Hudson, horticulture major, make ornaments during the Campus Store’s annual open house.
Norwich Campus Holiday Open House - Thursday, December 7, 4-6 p.m.
You are cordially invited to a Holiday Open House on Thursday, December 7, at MSC’s Norwich Campus. The event will feature holiday treats from area caterers and a selection of classical and holiday music by the highly regarded Candlelight String Quartet.

The event is free and open to all. We hope your schedule will allow you to join us, your friends, colleagues, students and faculty at this very special event. Tours will be available for those who haven’t yet had the occasion to visit the college’s magnificent NEW campus. The Norwich Campus is located in Roger W. Follett Hall at 20 Conkey Ave. (adjacent to the Eaton Center) in Norwich.

Oboe Master Class at the Norwich Campus
The Norwich Campus is pleased to offer an oboe master class with Sue Marson on Wednesday, December 6, from 10-11 a.m. in the Gilmour Memorial Library of Roger W. Follett Hall. This free event is made possible through the generous support of Procter and Gamble. It is open to Norwich Campus students, faculty, and staff. Seating is limited.
Rachel Cota, nursing major, and Tyler Conklin, agricultural science major, make ornaments.

Sam Schrage, of Bobby-K Entertainment, manned the ornament painting table.

(Left) Celina Nixon and Rashida Conte, SGO executives, paint ornaments together.

Rachel Conklin, nursing major, and Tyler Conklin, agricultural science major, make ornaments.
Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Training
(Attention Norwich Campus Students and Faculty)

“Take advantage of opportunities while you are in college to learn . . . to serve . . . and to increase your marketable skills! These are the things employers look for in evaluating job candidates!”

The Norwich Campus, in conjunction with Chenango County EITC Partnership, is offering Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) training. The VITA training program is administered by the Internal Revenue Service.

The VITA program provides free basic tax preparation for eligible taxpayers. The service is primarily focused on taxpayers who are eligible to receive the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).

To become a VITA volunteer you must be certified in one of the five levels (i.e., basic, intermediate, advanced, military or international). As a certified VITA volunteer there is no personal liability.

FREE training will be offered on campus Saturday mornings during the winter term and one weekday evening session for certified volunteers to be trained in the TaxWise tax preparation program. The emphasis of the training will be to get all volunteers certified at the basic level. Basic level tax preparers can complete Form 1040, Form 1040A and Form 1040EZ. All required materials will be supplied. The in-class training can be augmented by the on-line course “Link & Learn Taxes.” To be certified a volunteer must receive a grade of 80 percent on the certification test. Each volunteer will have four (4) chances to take the test.

The training is scheduled on the following Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Roger W. Follet Hall Room 132: December 16, January 6, January 13, and January 20.

The TaxWise training is scheduled for January 23 from 5-9:30 p.m. in Roger W. Follet Hall Room 225.

To sign up for the training please e-mail your name and contact information (i.e., telephone number or e-mail address) to Leon Wlazlo (wlazlol@morrisville.edu).

CHENANGO COUNTY VITA SITES

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Also every Wednesday 8 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m. at the Department of Social Services, Thursday evenings, and Tuesdays 10 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1 p.m.-2 p.m. (sites to be determined). These are the currently confirmed sites. The EITC Outreach Coordinator is working to set additional sites.

Volunteers are not required to be at every site for the tax season.
Area Employer Highlight

Broome Developmental Disabilities Services Organization (DDSO)
Chenango Regional Center
Eaton Center
24 Conkey Avenue
Norwich, NY 13815

Individual Interviewed:
Michael Chorney, Developmental Disabilities Program Specialist

Brief Description of Employer

Serve mentally handicapped individuals and the neurologically impaired who were diagnosed previous to the age of 21. Services include advocacy, residential placement, day treatment programs, respite and a broad range of medical and social services.

Are you interested in hiring Morrisville graduates?

Yes, but all positions are New York State Civil Service in various professions. To get more information about the exams, contact the Personnel Department at our main office in Binghamton (Hawley Street) at 607-772-7008.

What skills do you look for in an employee?

Good organizational and computer skills are a must. An employee must be adept at interpersonal relations and have the ability to multi-task. We also look for individuals who have the capability to work under some stress and also can handle working with crisis management.

What do you find exciting about the field you are in?

No two days are alike. In saying this, successful problem resolution is rewarding.

What is the future of your field?

It is somewhat dependent on future government funding. However, about one-third of our present staff can retire in two years. Opportunities to become part of our team and to achieve advancement are great.

Heather Jones
Senior Career Planning and Development Associate
Whipple Administration Building, 3rd Floor
Phone: 315-684-6275
E-mail: joneshr@morrisville.edu
World History Exhibits
Students in SOCS 103, Western/World Civilizations to 1500, will be presenting a mock world history museum exhibit in the main hall of the Butcher Library. Exhibits will begin on Monday afternoon during the weeks of November 27 and December 4 and last through Friday morning. A different section of the course will present each week so the exhibit will change week to week. For further information, please contact Dr. Paul Buckingham, Department of Social Science, at telephone extension 6027 or e-mail buckinpa@morrisville.edu.

Field Trip
The following students were approved to travel to Syracuse.com with their instructor, Mr. Brian McDowell, on December 1, 2006. The students left campus at 1:30 p.m. on December 1 and returned to campus at 5 p.m. that afternoon. The students have been instructed to contact their instructors in advance of any missed classes to arrange for appropriate makeup.

Britt Bishop  
Dawn McGarrigle  
Bryce Stone  
Molly Dishaw  
Kyle Wilson  
Vicki Gooch  
Chris Berry  
Chiwueze Chukwu  
Richie Cordero  
Samantha DePentu  
Dan Curtis

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