Davon Williams, business administration major, works out in the fitness center. The fitness center was expanded this semester and contains new equipment.
Middle States Focused Forum on Assessment to be Held

A Middle States Focused Forum on Assessment will be held in the greenhouse lecture hall at 1 p.m. on Thursday, March 15, 2007.

The Middle States Planning Committee would like your help and observations in a discussion based on the assessment portion recommendations of our Periodic Review Report. (There will be a second forum focusing on degree development after break.)

We would like to focus on the following question: “How can we move assessment forward on our campus in the next five years until our next full accreditation review is required?”

All are welcome to attend--and bring your views and ideas!

Individual Studies Kudos

Congratulations to the following students for receiving the Individual Studies Program Kudos Award for the month of February:

- Robert Chappelle
- Jamal Davis
- Masato Kondo
- Ying Lu
- Kensuke Nakata
- Michelle Pritchard

Free Income Tax Assistance

Free income tax assistance is available Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the School of Business Dean’s Suite in 140 Charlton Hall. Individuals can have their Federal and New York state income tax returns prepared and electronically filed. Please bring your W-2s, any other tax documents, and a form of identification (social security card preferred). This service is being provided by students enrolled in ACCT 212. Please contact Professor Zadzilka with any questions (Charlton 128).

First CSTEP Conference Held

The first CStep Conference was held on Saturday, March 3. Dr. Samuel L. Kelley, professor of Communication Studies at SUNY Cortland, performed the “I Have a Dream” speech by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and Jamell Myers, a poet from the Communication Studies Department at SUNY Cortland and a Morrisville State College graduate, performed two poems, “911” and “April 4th”. The keynote speaker was Dr. Boyce Watkins, a world-renowned finance professor from the Whitman School of Management at Syracuse University, and Dr. Alejandro Garcia, director of the School of Social Work and professor at Syracuse University, talked about leadership. The conference also included two workshops: one on portfolio design and resume and cover letter writing and the other on professionalism. Closing remarks were conducted by our college president, Dr. Ray Cross.
American Red Cross Blood Drive
Morrisville State College Norwich Campus
Community Room
Wednesday, March 14, 2007
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Please call the Norwich Campus at 607-334-5144 to schedule an appointment
(Sponsored by the Norwich Campus SGO)

Mandatory Exit Interview Meeting for Students Who Took Loans and Will Not Be Returning to Morrisville
Are you graduating this May? Are you thinking of transferring to another college? Heather Jones from the Placement and Transfer Office will be discussing important college transfer information and Sean Rafferty, from College Loan Corporation, will be discussing loan consolidation on your student loans and what you need to know.

All students who borrowed student loans are required by federal law to complete an exit interview BEFORE leaving the college. You can do this online at www.exitinterview.com/go/morrisville or if you want full details on loan consolidation, transferring of aid and information on transferring to another college please attend one of the sessions listed below:

Main Campus Students:
Mandatory exit interview and transfer meetings will be held in the STUAC Theater on March 27 from 10 a.m. - 12:50 p.m. and 5 - 6:50 p.m. – OR – April 17 from 10 a.m. - 12:50 p.m. and 5 - 6:50 p.m.

Norwich Campus Students:
Mandatory exit interview and transfer meetings will be held on April 17 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. in Room 225 (computer lab) – OR – 5 - 7 p.m. in Room 132A.

Students who fail to do this may be jeopardizing their participation in the commencement ceremony and a hold will be placed on their transcripts.

Dining Location Hours After Break
On Sunday, March 25, Mustang Alley will open for dinner at 4:15 p.m.

Mustang Alley (located in STUAC)
Monday - Thursday Hours:
Breakfast - 7 - 11 a.m.
Lunch - 11:15 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Dinner - 4:15 - 8 p.m.
Mustang Alley Menu - 8:15 - 10:30 p.m.

Friday Hours:
Dinner is served from 4:15 - 8 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday Hours:
Continental Breakfast - 9 - 11 a.m.
Brunch - 11:15 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Dinner - 4:15 - 8 p.m.
Sunday - Mustang Alley Menu - 8:15 - 10:30 p.m.

Laptop (located in Hamilton Hall)
Monday - Thursday Hours: 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Friday Hours: 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Meal equivalency available from 11 a.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Stix (located in the IcePlex)
Monday - Friday Hours: 11:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Smooth Jazzy Joz (located in STUAC)
Monday – Friday Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Sunday Hours: 4 - 8 p.m.
Career Corner

Oneonta State College Transfer Visit

Interested in transferring to Oneonta State? Visit with a transfer admissions counselor on Monday, March 12, from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. in Seneca Dining Hall.

Attention Norwich Campus Students:
Resume Writing and Interviewing Skills Workshops on March 14

Are you seeking employment and need assistance with writing a resume or revising your current resume? Are you worried about an upcoming job interview?

Be sure to take advantage of the following workshops and receive tips on how to put your best foot forward!

Wednesday, March 14
Resume Writing Workshop: 10 - 11 a.m., Room 121
Interviewing Skills Workshop: 1 - 2 p.m., Room 121

Heather Jones
Senior Career Planning and Development Associate
Whipple Administration Building, 3rd Floor
Phone: 315-684-6275
E-mail: joneshr@morrisville.edu

UUP Benefit Trust Fund Scholarship Program

The UUP Benefit Trust Fund Scholarship Program is for eligible dependent children of actively employed UUP members who are eligible for fund benefits. Dependent children of UUP retiree members, COBRA participants and direct pay participants are not eligible for this scholarship.

The scholarship award is $500 per semester to be used for tuition, fees, books or supplies. A maximum of one scholarship per dependent child will be awarded each semester even if both parents are UUP members. A total maximum of eight scholarships can be awarded per dependent child. Scholarship checks will be issued in the UUP member’s name and address of record.

Scholarship criteria:

• Must be eligible and enrolled in the UUP Benefit Trust Fund on the last day of the semester for which they are applying.

• Must provide an official transcript listing a minimum of 12 credits earned toward degree in the semester for which they are applying and accumulative GPA of at least a 2.0 or higher for the semester.

• Must have taken these courses at a state-operated SUNY campus (excluding Cornell, Fashion Institute of Technology, Alfred University and Alfred Ceramics).

Deadline for Application - The application must be postmarked within 60 days from the last day of the semester for which the student is applying. If an official transcript is being sent under separate cover, enclose proof of transcript request with the application.
Zonta Club of the Oneida Area - Mildred Ridley Scholarship for Women
The Zonta Club of Oneida, New York, is accepting scholarship applications for women who are matriculated in a post-secondary program with a goal to enter or re-enter the work force. This scholarship is aimed at non-traditional students, those women who are going back to school to improve their lives and/or the lives of their families.

The scholarship award amount is $600 for the 2007-2008 academic year and eligibility requirements are as follows:
- Must be at least half way through their educational program.
- Must have an overall average of C or better.
- Must be a woman who resides in Canastota, Oneida, Stockbridge Valley, or Vernon-Verona-Sherrill school districts.

Applications must be postmarked by May 1, 2007. Winners will be notified by the Zonta Club of Oneida by May 31, 2007.

Applications are available at the Financial Aid Office on the third floor of the Whipple Administration Building.

Associated General Contractors of America Scholarship Applications Now Available
The Financial Aid Office has just received information from the Associated General Contractors of America Scholarship of New York State Chapter, Inc., that applications for the 2007-2008 academic year are now available.

Eligible students:
- Must be a New York state resident attending a college or university in or outside of New York state and majoring in construction technology or civil engineering in an undergraduate or graduate program
- Must be at least completing their freshman year by summer 2007

The Associated General Contractors of America of New York State Chapter, Inc. expects to award at least a dozen $2,500 scholarships. Last year’s applicants had a one in three chance of winning a scholarship!

Students must meet certain criteria, pointed out in the competition rules and regulations, including maintaining a GPA of 2.5 or higher.

Application deadline is May 15, 2007. Winners will be notified in July. For an application, go to www.agcnys.org.

Diesel Technology Scholarship Program through the Associated General Contractors of America, New York State Chapter, Inc.
The Financial Aid Office just received the applications for the Diesel Technology Scholarship Program through the Associated General Contractors of America, New York State Chapter, Inc.

Eligible students:
- Must be entering their sophomore, junior or senior year at a two- or four-year college.
- Must have serious intent upon a career in the highway construction industry.
- Must be pursuing a degree in diesel technology at an accredited college or university in New York State.
- Must be enrolled full time and carrying 12 credit hours.
- Must be a U.S. citizen or documented permanent resident of the United States.
- Must be a New York state resident.

There will be two scholarships awarded annually for $1,500 each. The scholarship will be contingent upon the student maintaining a GPA of 2.5 or higher and pursuing a major in diesel technology as a full-time student.

Applications can be picked up at the Financial Aid Office on the third floor of the Whipple Administration Building, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Application deadline is May 15, 2007.
Student Activities This Week (Paid for by your Student Activity fees)

Ongoing Activities
- Architecture Club Bottle/Can Fundraiser
- Sports Nutrition Fitness Management Club Power Bar Fundraiser
- Sports Nutrition Fitness Management Club Sweatshirt Fundraiser
- Society of Manufacturing Engineers Safety Glasses Fundraiser

Monday, March 12
- Campaign Period for SGO Elections
- 4-5:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal in the Music Room in STUAC
- 6 p.m. SGO Assembly Meeting in the STUAC Theater
- 7 p.m. Intramural Men’s/ Women’s 5x5 Hoops League in Hamilton Hall
- 7-9 p.m. SGO Executive Board Sponsored Pizza with the Prez in the STUAC Lobby
- 8-10:30 p.m. Open Recreation Soccer in the STUAC Gym

Tuesday, March 13
- Campaign Period for SGO Elections
- 1 p.m. Outdoor Recreation Club Meeting in Bicknell 203
- 1:30 p.m. Fish and Wildlife Society Meeting in Bicknell 203
- 5:30 p.m. CAB Meeting in the SGO Office
- 8 p.m. C.A.S.U. Meeting in Crawford 116
- 8-10:45 p.m. Open Recreation Basketball in the STUAC Gym

Wednesday, March 14
- Campaign Period for SGO Elections
- 4-5:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal in the Music Room in STUAC
- 7 p.m. Intramural Men’s/ Women’s 5x5 Hoops League in Hamilton Hall
- 8-10:30 p.m. Open Recreation Soccer in the STUAC Gym

Thursday, March 15
- Campaign Period for SGO Elections
- 7 p.m. Intramural Dodge Ball League in Hamilton Hall
- 8-10:45 p.m. Open Recreation Basketball in the STUAC Gym
- 9:15-11 p.m. CAB Sponsored Rock-N Bowl at Cazenovia Lanes

Friday, March 16
- Campaign Period for SGO Elections
- 5 p.m. Women’s Lacrosse vs. Keuka College
- Spring Break Begins: Residence Halls Close at 7 p.m.

Saturday, March 17
- St. Patrick’s Day
Field Trip
The following students have approval to travel to an equine seminar and a stallion farm in Saratoga, New York, on March 13, 2007, with their instructor, Dr. Clyde Cranwell. The students will leave campus at 11 a.m. on March 13 and will return to campus by midnight. The students have been instructed to contact their instructors in advance of any missed classes to arrange for appropriate makeup.

Steven Campbell
Beth Cortez
Katey Williams
Jessica Sperati
Antonia Natrigo
Madeleine Shapiro
Stacey Belokopitsky
Sarah Tagliaferro
Ryan Miller
Tim Fazio
Dylan Smith
Ashley Huss
Ashley Walczak

James C. VanRiper
Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

In the News:
Find new releases at newscenter.morrisville.edu
Archive of past MOCHA issues www.morrisville.edu/MOCHA

View this week’s upcoming events on our new, web-based calendar here.