New and Improved Alumni Online Community

Check out the new look and options available on the online community. These changes include feedback from the Young Alumni Council. If you are a registered member of the online community, please check it out and give us your feedback.

If you have not yet registered with the online community, please do so today and let us know what you think!

All you need to do is visit www.oneontaalumni.com.

It is a quick and easy way to stay connected to the College and friends.

All alumni who register on the online community before October 1, 2006, will be entered into a drawing to win a “Taste of Oneonta” — a multi pack of Brooks’ House of Bar-B-Q’s sauces!

Staying Connected

Have you ever considered . . .

- mentoring a College at Oneonta student
- helping to host at an alumni event
- hiring an Oneonta student for an intern position in your office
- coming back to campus and speaking to current students who are soon going to enter your field?

If you’re interested, please let us know. Or perhaps you have some other ideas you would like to share?

We are always looking for new and fun venues. Please let us know if there is a hot spot in your area that you think would be a great place for an alumni event.

Please e-mail DragonDays@oneonta.edu or contact Becky Dostie ’94, ’98G at (607) 436-2893.
Oneonta Graduate Named as Assistant Secretary of Commerce

President George W. Bush has named Nathaniel F. Wienecke, a 1995 graduate of the College at Oneonta, as Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs.

Nathaniel F. Wienecke '95

Nathaniel F. Wienecke previously served as Deputy Assistant Secretary and Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs. Prior to that appointment, he served as Deputy Assistant Secretary for External Affairs and Communication at the Economic Development Administration of the Department of Commerce.

Before joining the Bush administration, Nat worked in the U.S. House of Representatives in the office of New York Congressman Mike Forbes and on the Committee on Government Reform as the committee's point man on procurement policy.

At Oneonta, Nat served as Vice President of the Student Association. He graduated with a degree in Business Economics.

Expanding the Young Alumni Council

It is hard to believe that the Y.A.C. just began in February 2006, given all that the Council has already accomplished! In only six short months the Council has . . .

- held two official meetings on campus
- participated in the 19th Annual Leadership Institute
- provided feedback on College publications, alumni events, and the online community
- assisted with Reunion Weekend and enabled us to add several new events to the weekend
- hosted several alumni events in New York City, Oneonta, and Albany
- recruited other alumni to serve on the Council
- participated by making individual gifts to the Alumni Annual Fund

There are now more than 30 members of the Council, and we are expanding the Council to include alumni of the past 10 years. If you are a graduate from the classes of 1996 – 2006 and are interested in learning more about serving on the Y.A.C., please e-mail DragonDays@oneonta.edu or contact Becky Dostie '94, '98G at (607) 436-2893. You have an opportunity to make a real difference!

Salute to the Class of 2006

The Class of 2006 has left a legacy for all time! Our campus now has a Clock Tower, prominently located on the green between the Human Ecology and Physical Science buildings.

This gift to the College is possible thanks to the efforts of the 22-member campaign committee, with the support of the Class of 2006 President Katie Greene, the Executive Board, the Class of 2006, and many others. Nearly 1,000 gifts were received toward the Clock Tower with more than $14,000 raised! Look for more information in the summer issue of Reflections. You can also read Reflections online when you visit the online community www.oneontaalumni.com or the College’s homepage www.oneonta.edu.

An official dedication ceremony for the Class of 2006 Clock Tower will take place during Homecoming and Family Weekend on October 13-15, 2006. We salute the Class of 2006 for doing such a great job, and we offer best wishes to our newest alumni.

Welcome Class of 2006

On behalf of the Alumni Association, I would like to welcome our newest members – the Class of 2006! Congratulations from all of us who came before you. As you begin this new phase in your life, I encourage you to stay in touch with the College. Come back to campus for Homecoming and Reunion Weekends, participate in alumni events in your area, support the Alumni Annual Fund, and let us know how we can help in your endeavors.

Sincerely,

Richard Reed ’78
Alumni Association President

Come home for Homecoming!

October 13-15 is the perfect time to come back to campus! Join with hundreds of other alumni for a fun-filled Oneonta weekend. Even if you just graduated in May, you will be amazed at the changes that took place on campus over the summer.

There will be a lot going on and a nice combination of students and alumni on campus all weekend.

Class of 2006 – Please plan to join us for the dedication of the Clock Tower on Saturday!

Reflections magazine is widely read, and according to our alumni, the “class notes” section is a favorite! If you would like to submit a class note for Reflections, please e-mail Kathy Hewlett in the Alumni Affairs Office at hewlettk@oneonta.edu.

If there is enough space, photos of excellent quality will be considered for publication with the class note.

If you are not receiving your free copy of Reflections, please update your information on the online community www.oneontaalumni.com or call the Office of Alumni Affairs at (607) 436-2526.