Dear Parents of College at Oneonta Alumni:

If your son or daughter no longer lives at the address below, please contact the Office of Alumni Affairs at (607) 436-2526, with his/her present address so that we may update our records. Thank you!

Mark your calendar

FEBRUARY 2007
8 Senior Class of 2007 – 100 Days Until Graduation Celebration – Oneonta
15 All-SUNY Alumni of Atlanta Gathering – Atlanta
17 Young Alumni Council Meeting – Oneonta

MARCH 2007
3 Alumni Theatre Event – Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat – Schenectady
23-24 20th Annual Student Leadership Institute – Oneonta

APRIL 2007
14 Accepted Students Open House – Oneonta
19 Senior Class of 2007 – 30 Days Until Graduation Celebration – Oneonta

MAY 2007
4 Earth Sciences Department Annual Picnic at College Camp – Oneonta
9 Senior Class of 2007 – Pass Through the Pillars – Oneonta
18 Senior Class of 2007 – Alumni Eve Reception – Oneonta
19 Commencement – Oneonta

JUNE 2007
1-3 Reunion Weekend – Oneonta
1 Alumni Association Annual Meeting – Oneonta
1 Young Alumni Council Meeting – Oneonta

For the most current calendar and event details and to register for events online, please visit us at www.oneontaalumni.com.

Save the date:
Reunion Weekend
June 1-3, 2007

Reunion Weekend is the premier alumni event when hundreds of alumni return to campus to reminisce about their times together when they were students. Reunion Weekend is always the first weekend in June. MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW! This year, Reunion Weekend will include a Top Ten Celebration with special events for alumni who have graduated in the past ten years, 1997–2007.

Please plan to come back to campus and celebrate good times with fellow alumni. As we get closer to the date, Reunion Weekend details will be available online at www.oneontaalumni.com.

Campaign Update

On June 30, 2007, the College will conclude its five-year comprehensive campaign, Changing Lives Since 1889, with the goal of raising $10 million to support scholarships, endowment, Milne Library, and science programs. We are happy to report that we have reached the $10 million dollar goal six months ahead of schedule!

Many thanks to all who have participated in the Campaign through the support of the Senior Class Gift Campaigns, the Alumni Annual Fund, or other gifts. We are still working hard to reach our alumni percent participation goal of 20%. If you have not yet made a gift to the College this year, please participate and help take us over the top! Gifts can be made electronically at www.oneontaalumni.com.

Become a Mentor and Win Some Brooks’ Bar-B-Q Sauce

Being a mentor is a great way to help out fellow College at Oneonta alumni. Once you register on the alumni website, you can sign up to become a mentor. Just click on Career Networking, and you can see all the mentors already there. Join them!

All alumni who sign up to be mentors during February 2007 will be entered into a drawing to win a bottle of Brooks’ House of Bar-B-Q sauce.

Congratulations to Eric Barnes ’03. He is the winner of a “Taste of Oneonta”—a multi-pack of Brooks’ House of Bar-B-Q’s sauces, from the Fall-06 Dragon Days!

See what graduates from 2000–2005 had to say about their College at Oneonta experience.
The Young Alumni Council Celebrates Its First Year!

The Young Alumni Council was founded in February 2006. Now 40 members strong, this leadership group is very active with three meetings and other assistance at alumni events throughout the year. They contribute their ideas, time, talents, and money. They are helping to shape the relationship and events that young alumni have with their alma mater. The Young Alumni Council is a great way to stay connected and make a difference. If you are interested in learning more about serving on the Young Alumni Council, please e-mail Becky J. Dostie ’94, ’98G, at dostiebj@oneonta.edu.

Alumni Services Expanding

As costs of higher education continue to increase, borrowing money to finance a college education has become a fact of life for many students and their families. Each year, billions of dollars are borrowed to fund higher education, including more than $50 billion in federal student loans. According to the U.S. Department of Education, two-thirds of undergraduates graduate with student-loan debt — and the average graduating student owes nearly $20,000. The Alumni Association is looking into expanding the services offered to alumni to include a debt consolidation program. Stay tuned for more information about this new service. Other services offered by the alumni association include:

- **Credit Card** — Show your Red Dragon Pride with a special Alumni Credit Card. You choose the design and the reward program that works for you. It is easy and convenient to apply on-line by clicking on the logo at www.oneontaalumni.com.

- **Auto / Home / Renters Insurance** — College at Oneonta alumni receive group discounts with Liberty Mutual. For more information, go to the alumni website and click on Services.

- **Career Services** — Looking for a job? Need students for an internship? Looking to hire some dynamic employees? Check out the alumni website.

- **Alumni Updates** — Have you recently been married or had a child? Changed positions or received a promotion? Moved? You can now update the College and/or submit a class note for Alumni Services Expanding. Members of the Young Alumni Council gather during Homecoming and Family Weekend.

We recently conducted a survey of College at Oneonta alumni, including those who graduated from the classes of 2000 – 2005. Responses from that group to every inquiry were very positive. Each mean response was well above the scale’s median of four, as seen in Table 41 and Table 42 below. Respondents were most positive about instruction within their major. We’re pleased by the positive feelings that recent graduates have towards their Oneonta education, and we hope those positive opinions continue in their new role as a community of Oneonta graduates.

E. Academic Inquiries

**ADEQUACY OF THE COLLEGE CURRICULUM**

**Questions from Academic Affairs**

Rate the adequacy of the College at Oneonta curriculum with respect to the following topics: 2006

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**Quality of instruction in your General Education courses at the College at Oneonta**

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Source: 2006 SUNY College at Oneonta Alumni Survey.