Take Time to Celebrate!

Summer is a time to celebrate and congratulate

The end of the academic year and beginning of summer bring many opportunities to celebrate our employees! On June 6, we will celebrate Colgate staff members who have reached their 5 or 10 year milestones during the past year. A casual breakfast reception will be held in the Ho Science Atrium to recognize these employees for their service.

Colgate’s longest-serving employees—those who have reached 15, 20, 25, 30, and 35 years of service—will be honored at the 46th annual Service Awards Dinner on June 12. Honorees, past honorees (including retirees), supervisors, VP’s and President Herbst will enjoy a fun and relaxing evening with brief presentations to honor and celebrate some of the university’s most loyal and valued employees.

On June 28, we “Celebrate Summer” with a picnic lunch on the Merrill House lawn for all employees. This is a great opportunity to meet and reconnect with others from across the campus. Who can pass up strawberry shortcake for dessert?

And let’s not forget Colgate Day on Friday, July 13. Take advantage of bookstore discounts, wear your Colgate gear, post photos to Colgate’s Facebook page, and celebrate along with students, parents, alumni and faculty around the world. In August, we look forward to the Bookstore’s Annual Hot Dog Roast for Customer Appreciation Day.

Summer is a time for growth

Summer is also a great time to focus on your own professional growth! Human Resources has announced plans for an on-campus professional development opportunity, the “Six Sessions to Success”, continue to watch your email for more information.

Take advantage of professional development conferences or seminars from departmental funds or funds are also available for support staff through the Staff Development funds by contacting Human Resources. The summer is also a time that many departments and divisions take time for gatherings to celebrate a great year of accomplishments and to plan for the year ahead.

Summer is a time to make time for you

Enjoy and improve your health by taking advantage of the many fitness programs at the Trudy Fitness Center this summer. Support and technical staff have summer hours to enjoy, so perhaps you’ll choose to use the extra time each day to take a walk and enjoy the sunshine! Many or most of us will use this beautiful time of year to take a break as well. Vacation time is great for trips, outings, hammock time or, for the more industrious, tackling that home improvement project we’ve ignored all winter.

The offerings of the village and surrounding area are plentiful in the summer with all kinds of opportunities for picnics, farmers’ markets, outdoor dining and barbecues, hiking, biking or boating on one of the area lakes and ponds. Take time out to connect with friends and coworkers.

Whatever you may decide to do this summer, we hope you will take advantage of the generous offerings Colgate provides to recognize our most important and valued resource….our employees!
Local Food – Common Thread CSA
Submitted by the Sustainability Office

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) has become a popular way for consumers to buy local, seasonal food directly from a farmer. Here are the basics: a farmer offers a certain number of "shares" to the public. Typically the share consists of a box of vegetables, but other farm products may be included. Interested consumers purchase a share (aka a "membership" or a "subscription") and in return receive a box (bag, basket) of seasonal produce each week throughout the farming season. This arrangement creates several rewards for both the farmer and the consumer.

Advantages for farmers:
- Get to spend time marketing the food early in the year
- Receive payment early in the season, which helps with the farm's cash flow
- Have an opportunity to get to know the people who eat the food they grow

Advantages for consumers:
- Eat ultra-fresh food, with all the flavor and vitamin benefits
- Get exposed to new vegetables and new ways of cooking
- Usually get to visit the farm at least once a season
- Develop a relationship with the farmer who grows their food and learn more about how food is grown

There are environmental benefits as well, such as reduced fossil fuel and energy use for production and transportation of food. Common Thread Community Farm, in Madison, NY, currently has shares available for this season. Common Thread is continuing to accept returning and new members until they sell out. Participating in their CSA is a great way to learn how your food is grown and also an opportunity to get to know your farmers. If you are interested in learning more and/or in purchasing a share, visit the website at: www.commonthreadcsa.com.

As always, the Sustainability Office invites everyone to share your own "green" best practices, such as your experiences with local food, by submitting them via email: sustainability@colgate.edu, for future articles.

“Choices for Sustainable Living Workshop”
Reminder

This summer, the Shaw Wellness Institute in collaboration with the Sustainability Office will offer an interactive book club-style discussion course on sustainability. The program is open to all Colgate employees but registration is limited to the first 12 individuals.

The group will meet every Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. beginning on July 11. The course will last seven weeks and end on August 22. The program is free and includes a course booklet and breakfast.

The program is an interactive discussion group that helps participants explore the meaning of sustainability, consider the ties between lifestyle choices and their impact on our environment, and learn about steps that can be taken to move toward ecologically sustainable organizations, lifestyles, and communities. Participants are expected to complete short readings between sessions and be prepared to share their thoughts with the group. Weekly topics will include ecological principles, water and energy efficiency, sustainable communities, and sustainable food. This program will use the Northwest Earth Institute’s workbook: “Choices for Sustainable Living.”

The seven-week course will be co-facilitated by John Pumilio, Colgate’s Sustainability Coordinator, and Thad Mantaro, Director of the Shaw Wellness Institute.

For more information please contact Thad Mantaro or John Pumilio. To register here click.

Excellus BCBS Claims System

You may recall hearing or reading about an issue Excellus BCBS encountered with the claims system in 2011. The issue originated in the third quarter of 2011 as a computer glitch that blocked the Excellus claims system from recognizing when a member met his or her deductible. Colgate University was not immune to this issue and had some members that were impacted. Excellus has identified every member impacted and correctly adjusted their claims. Should you have any questions or would like to review your claims to ensure you were not impacted, Excellus has set up a telephone hotline available during the customer service hours below. You can reach them by:

- Calling 1(800)541-1275, Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. EST; Friday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. EST; Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. EST.
- Emailing verifydeductible@excellus.com
Congratulations Makiko!

Congratulations to Makiko Filler, Program Coordinator for International Student Services, who will receive her BA in Management on Saturday, June 2 from SUNY Empire State College. Makiko, who has two associate degrees, one from Kyoto Junior College of Foreign Languages and one from Herkimer County Community College. She began taking classes in 2007, while juggling her studies in between work and family. Way to go Makiko!!

Farewell and Best Wishes

Alan Diehl, Custodian for our Facilities Department, retired on May 11, 2012. Best wishes to Alan as he begins his new adventure. Enjoy!

Wedding Announcement

Congratulations to George Nugent and Becky Allaire who were married on May 25, 2012. George is a Millwright for our Facilities Department.

Focus On Fitness - Summer

Get active and enjoy a healthier summer!

Classes take place from June 4th - August 3rd, 2012. Contact Christina Amato with questions at camato@colgate.edu or ext. 7649.

Click here to register. Space is limited.

Excellus BCBS Wellness Tip For June

Men’s Health Month

Thankfully most men’s health threats are preventable. Encourage the men in your life to make healthy lifestyle choices including eating healthy and including physical activity on a regular basis. Visit excellusbcbs.com/health for information on Men’s Health and 6,000+ other health topics.

Individual retirement counseling sessions

Fidelity Investments and TIAA-CREF representatives will be on-campus to provide individual counseling sessions. These individual meetings provide you the opportunity to examine your fund selection, discuss how to achieve your financial goals, and review your retirement income options with a retirement counselor.

Fidelity appointments can be scheduled online at www.fidelity.com/atwork/reservations or by calling 1-800-642-7131

TIAA-CREF appointments can be scheduled online at www.tiaa-cref.org/events or calling 1-800-732-8353

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brian and Ashley Davis welcomed a daughter, Penelope Davis (8 lbs. 6 ozs., 21” long) on May 21st. Julie and Tom Davis, Central Receiving Warehouse Clerk are the proud grandparents.

Kaylee Beers and Max DePuy welcomed a son, Colten Gregory DePuy (8 lbs 12 ozs., 21” long) on May 16th. Gregory and Rene Beers, Administrative Assistant for Biology, are the proud grandparents.

SELL & SWAP

For Rent: House on 7 acres, quiet, wooded area surrounded by state land near Sherburne. House has 2-3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, finished basement, wood stove, multi-car garage, pond, and big yard. Available for rent or open to negotiating a house sitting arrangement, furnished, no smoking, pets ok. Available from mid-August 2012 until December 2012. Call either 315-825-8114 or 315-790-7211.

For Sale: Children’s pine loft bed. Great condition, features a desk, 5 drawer dresser, and 2 shelf bookcase. Asking $250.00. Pictures available. Please call 315-723-3827
**NEW HIRES**

Philabian Lindo accepted the position of Web Developer in ITS effective May 7, 2012. Philabian Lindo received his education from Binghamton University. He and wife Kathryn have two children, Jayden and Nathan.

Andrew Scherer accepted the position of Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coach effective May 9, 2012. Andrew received his M.S. in Exercise Science from the University of Toledo. He enjoys hunting, fishing and sports.

Adine Schoonmaker accepted the position of Animal Laboratory Care Assistant in Psychology effective May 21, 2012. Adine enjoys dance and photography. Adine and her husband, Cheewai Yip reside in Hamilton.

**PROMOTIONS**

Daniel Sloan has been promoted to Desktop Administrator in ITS effective June 1, 2012.

Jennifer Servedio has been promoted to Managing Director, CSS in ITS effective June 18, 2012.

Peter Setlak has been promoted to Managing Director, NSO in ITS effective June 18, 2012.

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**ANNIVERSARIES**

**25 Years**
Timothy Graham-Facilities

**15 Years**
Mari Assaid-Advancement

**10 Years**
Katherine Reynolds-Colgate Bookstore
Karen Luciani-Communications

**5 Years**
Suzanne Odell-University Studies

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**POSITIVE VACANCIES**

- Administrative Assistant - ALANA (10 months)
- Administrative Assistant - Residential Life
- Admission Counselor/Assistant Dean of Admission
- Admission Marketing Manager
- Alumni Records Assistant
- Assistant Athletic Director for Advancement
- Assistant Dean/Associate Dean and Coordinator of Multicultural Recruitment
- Assistant Director of Residential Life
- Assistant/Associate Director of Alumni Relations
- Associate Director of Planned Giving
- Associate Vice President for Institutional Advancement and Director, Career Services
- Campus Safety Officer/Dispatcher (p/t, no benefits)
- Circulation Supervisor
- Consulting Curator Picker Art Gallery
- Director of University Museums
- Multimedia Systems Technician
- Staff Nurse (per diem, no benefits)
- Summer - Variety
- Temporary - Athletic Event Staff, p/t, no benefits
- Temporary - Barge Customer
- Associate/Cashier- (temporary and part-time positions)
- Temporary - Equipment Service Assistant (no benefits)
- Temporary - Maintenance/ Laborers (no benefits)
- Temporary - Office (no benefits)

For complete information on position vacancies and to submit an application visit our website at: [https://careers.colgate.edu](https://careers.colgate.edu)

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**From the Office of Accounting & Control**

**CASHIER WINDOW SUMMER HOURS**

June 5 through August 10, 2012
11:00 am - 12:00 pm
AND
1:00 - 2:00 pm

Please Note:
Window is closed every Monday.

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**QUOTE OF THE MONTH**

And in the end it’s not the years in your life that count. It’s the life in your years.

-Abraham Lincoln

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**Bus Trip to New York City**

You’re invited to join the Colgate community on a one day bus trip to New York City!

When: Saturday, June 30 (Please note: June 2 trip has been canceled)
Cost: $40 per person.
Sign up by June 8 and receive the early bird special rate of $37 per person.

To register or if you have questions please contact Makiko Filler at mfiller@colgate.edu or call 228-6016.

Seats will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

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