



Syracuse University remembers Marianne Yang Guppenberger

Marianne Guppenberger, fondly called “Cheeseburger” by her friends, passed away on 4/6/2013 on campus. A student in the College of Arts and Sciences, Marianne came to Syracuse University from Taipei, Taiwan in August 2012. She is remembered by friends for her smiles, her love of fun, and how she had a personality which attracted people to her. Marianne was a founding officer of the International Student Organization. Friends may record fond memories of Marianne at the [website](#) of the Burns-Garfield Funeral Home.



Events at Slutzker Center for International Services

Federal and State Taxes Due April 15

Taxes must be postmarked by Monday, April 15, 2013! The Slutzker Center for International Services provides free access to **GLACIER Tax Prep** software for the preparation of U.S. federal income tax returns for Syracuse University international students and scholars. To get your access code, please fill out the online [registration form](#).

The Slutzker Center specializes in immigration matters, not taxes. Please refer to our [website](#) for further information regarding taxes. If you require additional information or have specific questions, please direct your inquires to an international tax professional.



New Schedule for OPT Seminars

Because this is the time of year we process the greatest number of Optional Practical Training (OPT) applications, we will be offering more OPT Seminars here at the Slutzker Center in the month of April. Priority will be given to May 2013 graduates attending OPT seminars. Students with graduation dates beyond May 2013, may attend on a space available basis.

Mondays (April 15 and 22) at 5:00 pm

Wednesdays (April 17) at 9:30 am, but **NOT** April 24

Wednesdays (April 17 and 24) at 3:45 pm

Fridays (April 19 and 26) at 3:45 pm, but **NOT** April 12

For a more detailed schedule of OPT and CPT seminars please visit our [website](#).

H-1B Cap Already Reached

For the first time since 2008, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has reached the statutory H-1B cap of 65,000 for fiscal year (FY) 2014 within the first week of the filing period. USCIS has also received more than 20,000 H-1B petitions filed on behalf of persons exempt from the cap under the advanced degree exemption.



For more information, please read the [news release](#).

Picture of the Week

Calling all film students, amateur photographers, or anyone else with a smartphone..! SCIS News would like to add a new feature to our newsletter – Picture of the Week! We are looking for pictures with an international flair. For the chance to have your picture featured as Picture of the Week, please send it via email to lescis@syr.edu with the subject line of "Picture of the Week."



**Cultural Politics in Brazil:
The case of Salvador da Bahia
April 15, 9am**

How do civil society organizations negotiate the treacherous terrain of local, regional and national politics in Brazil? This seminar will investigate and analyze how grassroots advocacy groups challenge the orthodox assumptions of traditional politics; explore grass roots advocacy models that place the citizen at the center of politics; and investigate the explosion of civil society in Brazil since the late 1980's.

The event is a public lecture and will be held in Tolley Humanities Building, Room 304. For more information, please visit the [official page](#).



**“Immigration Reform: An Economic Imperative”
A round table discussion
April 19, 10-11:30am**

The moment seems to be right for bipartisan immigration reform at the federal level. Congress is now working on a major package to address key concerns. Please join the round table as we consider the questions: Why is high-skill immigration and visa reform necessary now? Can it really happen? And, what components should be part of any reform package?

To RSVP and for parking information, please contact the Syracuse University office of Government and Community Relations via gcr@syr.edu or 443-3919 by April 16.



Laugh in Peace April 19, 3:30pm

Laugh in Peace is a 90 minute interfaith, stand-up comedy performance to promote understanding of the three Abrahamic religious traditions. Using comedy as a vehicle, the performance aims to facilitate learning and promote building interfaith community.

The event will be held in Hendricks Chapel on Friday, April 19, 2013 at 3:30pm. For more information, please visit the Hendricks Chapel events [page](#).



Other Events

Japanese-English Bilingual Career Forum 2013

A complete new schedule of the 2013 Career Forums is now available on the [official website](#) and so is given below.

London Career Forum: June 8 & 9 (Sat. & Sun.)

Tokyo Summer Career Forum: June 29 & 30 (Sat. & Sun.)

Los Angeles Career Forum: Oct. 5 & 6 (Sat. & Sun.)

Boston Career Forum: Nov. 8 - 10 (Fri. - Sun.)

Tokyo Winter Career Forum: mid-December

New York Career Forum: February 2014

Registration for London and Tokyo Summer is now available.

The Los Angeles Career Forum 2013 website will be up in a few weeks. Stay tuned for the latest updates via [official website](#).



Recreational Events

SU Wellness Week: A Celebration of Wellness on the SU Campus! **April 15-19**

Syracuse University's first annual Wellness Week, sponsored by the Division of Student Affairs, will take place from Sunday, April 15 through Friday, April 20. Events during Wellness Week are designed to provide students with fun and creative ways to learn about health and wellness opportunities available on campus, including services provided by the Division of Student Affairs.



For the full Wellness Week schedule please see the [flyer](#).

Syracuse University's 1st Annual BE-BQ on the Quad **April 19, 5pm**

The #BEWise campaign is hosting a fun event on the quad as an end of the year celebration. Bring your friends on Friday, April 19th from 5pm to 9pm for FREE barbecue food, lawn games, SUA vs. DPS volleyball game and student DJ competition! Food will be served at 5pm and DJ performances will begin at 6pm.

Join the [Facebook event here](#).



Arts and Community Events

**Miranda Lambert & Dierks Bentley:
Locked & Reloaded Tour
April 18, 7:30pm**

Known for their distinctive styles of music, Miranda Lambert and Dierks Bentley announce their 2013 Locked & Reloaded Tour. Miranda and Dierks bring to the stage scores of # 1 singles, chart topping albums and trophies from The Grammy's, CMA's ACM's and CMT's.

Miranda will be performing at the Oncenter War Memorial Arena in Syracuse, NY on Thursday, April 18, 2013 at 7:30 pm. Tickets can be purchased at the Oncenter Box Office or online at Ticketmaster.com. For more information please visit the [official website](#).



**Sampling Syracuse Food Tours
April 20, 12-2:30pm**

Sampling Syracuse Food Tours provides participants with a delicious and unique way to discover Downtown Syracuse. The 2.5 hour walking tour includes stops at award winning restaurants. Participants will sample local fare as well as visit cultural and historic landmarks including Onondaga Creekwalk, Clinton Square, the Erie Canal, Salina Street and Armory Square.

Tours begin Saturday, April 20, 2013 and run through Saturday, November 9, 2013 (Repeats every Saturday) from 12:00PM – 2:30PM. Admission for this event is \$36 per person. For additional details and registration information please visit their [official webpage](#).



Not afraid of the dark: Take Back the Night event brings community together to fight sexual violence

Take Back the Night is an annual international event held in different places at different times across the world, said Janet Epstein, director of the Advocacy Center. This year's event was held Wednesday at Hendricks Chapel, beginning at 7 p.m. with a rally that branched out into a march across campus and ended with an open-mic speak-out at the chapel for survivors of sexual violence. For full article please visit [DailyOrange](#).



Women's Lacrosse

WOMEN'S LACROSSE HOSTS "STICKING TOGETHER" RECEPTION FRIDAY: The Syracuse women's lacrosse program will host a reception on Friday, April 12 to celebrate the team's recent success and unveil the new locker room renovations. "Sticking Together: A Night of Women's Lacrosse" will be held in Club 4.4 in the Carrier Dome following the Orange's game against Louisville. Read the full story on [SUAthletics](#).



Men's Lacrosse

ORANGE UPSETS NO. 2 CORNELL, 13-12: In a battle for Central New York lacrosse bragging rights, No. 8 Syracuse (8-2) rebounded from an early four-goal deficit to upset No. 2 Cornell, 13-12, on Wednesday, April 10 at Carrier Dome. The Orange rallied behind its first midfield line which combined for 11 points against the Big Red (10-2). For more updates visit [SUAthletics](#).



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Quotes to keep you thinking

- “Don't think or judge, just listen.” — **Sarah Dessen, Just Listen**
- “We believe in ordinary acts of bravery, in the courage that drives one person to stand up for another.” — **Veronica Roth, Divergent**
- “One day, in retrospect, the years of struggle will strike you as the most beautiful.” — **Sigmund Freud**
- “Do not spoil what you have by desiring what you have not; remember that what you now have was once among the things you only hoped for.” — **Epicurus (Greek philosopher)**
- “To accomplish great things, we must not only act, but also dream; not only plan, but also believe.”
— **Anatole France**

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