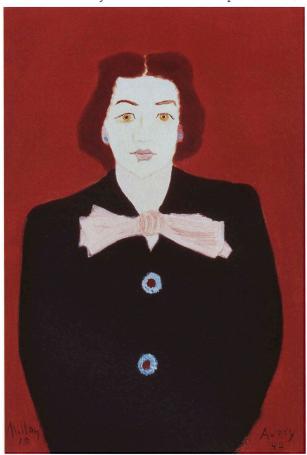
avery EXHIBITION

group of important and rarely seen paintings and works on paper by the American Amaster Milton Avery (1893-1965) will be on display October 14 through November 20 to celebrate the opening of the newly renovated art gallery on the second floor of SU's Lubin House, 11 East 61st Street, in Manhattan. The exhibition, Milton Avery Revisited: Works from the Louis and Annette Kaufman Collection, includes landscapes, still lifes, a number of little-known portraits, and three self-portraits. "The portraits allow a rare glimpse into the artist's circle of friends and family," says curator Domenic Iacono, associate director of the University Art Collection. "The self-portraits offer an equally enlightening view



Milton Avery's Portrait of Annette Kaufman (1944) is among the artist's work that will be on display at Lubin House in New York City.

of Avery at various points in his career. One sees immediately the artist's ability to catch a mannerism, piece of clothing, or physical characteristic that personifies the sitter."

Eminent American violinist and art collector Louis Kaufman (1905-1994) was a favorite of the Golden Age Hollywood film composers and directors, and of such celebrated concert composers as Copland, Poulenc, and William Grant Still. The first American violinist to perform and record Vivaldi's The Four Seasons (for which he won the 1950 Grand Prix du Disque in Paris), he also was an art lover who was the first to buy an Avery oil painting and urge other collectors to follow suit. After Kaufman's marriage to pianist Annette Leibole in 1933, the Kaufmans not only performed, recorded, and did musicological research together,

but amassed a major art collection. Their holdings feature African, Asian, and Pre-Columbian pieces, as well as works by Avery and many other important modern American, Latin American, and European artists.

Annette Kaufman, a friend of Syracuse who has donated artwork to the University, has agreed to lend the works in Milton Avery Revisited for a two-year national tour, including a fall 2000 showing at Lowe Art Gallery on campus. Milton Avery's daughter March and her family will join Annette Kaufman at the exhibition's Lubin House opening.

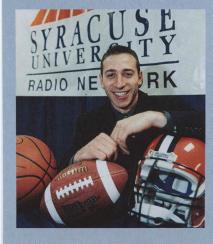
orange VOICE

ave Pasch '94, who for the past two years has hosted Chicago Blackhawks pre- and post-game shows for WMAQ-AM in Chicago, is the new playby-play announcer for SU football and men's basketball radio broadcasts.

He will be joined in the broadcast booth by at least one alumni celebrity broadcaster during each regular season football game, and some basketball games. Among the renowned sports voices scheduled to share the microphone with Pasch are: Marv Albert '63, Len Berman '70, Bob Costas '74, Ian Eagle '90, Marty Glickman '39, Hank Greenwald '57, Sean McDonough '84, Andy Musser'59, Dick Stockton'64, and Mike Tirico '88.

The broadcasts will be carried throughout New York State on more than 20 stations that compose the new Syracuse University Sports Network. The flagship stations are Pilot Communications-owned WAOX-FM (95.7) and WNSS-AM (1260) in Syracuse.

"We are looking forward to Dave's involvement with the next era of Syracuse University athletic broadcasts," says Jake Crouthamel, director of athletics, "and we're thrilled these professionals will be part of our new network broadcasts."



new VICE CHANCELLOR

eborah Freund, formerly vice chancellor for academic affairs at Indiana University-Bloomington, is SU's new vice chancellor and provost. She also is a professor of public administration at the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs.

Freund succeeds Vice Chancellor Gershon Vincow, who is returning to teaching after 14 years as the University's



chief academic officer.

"Deborah Freund is a scholar with an impressive record of administration to her credit," says Chancellor Kenneth A.

Shaw. "She is a proven leader who has demonstrated a strong commitment to continuous improvement and to students. I look forward to the work she will be doing with the faculty, students, and staff on this campus."

Freund, an economist who specializes in health care policy, joined the Indiana faculty in 1988 as a public affairs professor in the School of Public and Environmental Affairs. She served as chair of the health sciences and administration faculty and then as associate dean for academic affairs before her appointment as vice chancellor. In 1990, she founded the Bowen Research Center, an endowed multidisciplinary health policy research center at IU.

Freund, who earned a doctorate in economics at the University of Michigan and was a faculty member at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, is the author of two books and more than 100 articles and chapters. She has earned more than \$30 million in grants from such organizations as the National Institutes of Health, the U.S. Public Health Service, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

Freund's husband, Thomas J. Kniesner. joins the Maxwell School economics department. The former IU-Bloomington economics professor is an internationally respected scholar on labor and health economics.

storm SHELTER

yracuse University has donated several acres of the old Carrier Dome roof to Food For The Poor Inc., a charitable organization that supports and carries out relief efforts in impoverished Latin American and Caribbean countries.

According to Pat Campbell, managing director of the Carrier Dome, Food For The Poor received 84 percent of the roof (228,000 square feet) and 97 percent of the acoustical liner (242,000 square feet). "I

am delighted that continued good use can be made of our first Dome roof," says Chancellor Kenneth A. Shaw. "I am grateful to Congressman James Walsh, Food For The Poor, and the Carrier Dome staff for making this possible."

The Dome fabric was shipped to El Salvador, Nicaragua, and Honduras, and placed in areas that have a high risk of damage during hurricane sea-

Dropped Out

10%

5%

son. In emergencies, the material will be used to construct mess halls, medical clinics, schools, and living shelters. "The idea is to do something before the hurricanes hit," says Cliff Feldman of Food For The Poor. "These facilities will help the poorest of the poor."

The removal of the old Carrier Dome roof was part of a \$14 million roof replacement project that began in May and was completed this summer.

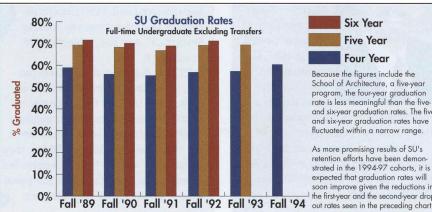


Workers remove a section of the old Dome roof this summer. Part of the old roof was donated to a hurricane relief effort

progress REPORT 25% **SU Attrition Rates Cumulative 2 Years Full-Time Undergraduate Excluding Transfers** % Second Year 20% % First Year The first-year dropout rate has 15%

decreased from the Fall '92 level of 12% to 8% for Fall '97. As the largest proportion of students drop out their first year, the decrease in rates is encouragina

The second-year dropout rate has been declining in recent years as well. The cumulative two-year dropout rate (based on adding the first and second years) for the Fall '96 cohort is 16.7% as compared to Fall '92 Fall '93 Fall '94 Fall '95 Fall '96 Fall '97 20.2% for the 1992 cohort.



Six Year **Five Year** Four Year

Because the figures include the School of Architecture, a five-year program, the four-year graduation rate is less meaningful than the five-and six-year graduation rates. The five and six-year graduation rates have fluctuated within a narrow range.

As more promising results of SU's retention efforts have been demonstrated in the 1994-97 cohorts, it is expected that graduation rates will soon improve given the reductions in the first-year and the second-year drop-

Angles

heading COMMUNICATIONS

andi Tams Mulconry '75 has been named associate vice president for University communications.



Mulconry, who joined the University's staff in 1979, had served as interim associate vice president for public relations since July 1998, when Vice President Robert Hill retired. She also is

publisher of *Syracuse University Magazine*. As associate vice president, Mulconry oversees the five offices within University Communications: Electronic Media Communications, Internal Communications, National Media Relations, News Services, and Publications.

"Sandi has done an outstanding job in her interim position, as evidenced by the unprecedented number of awards won by the department this year," says Lansing G. Baker, senior vice president for university relations. "She has had a long career with the University. We are very fortunate to have someone who is so knowledgeable about the institution leading these efforts."



In addition to Mulconry's appointment, Kevin Morrow has been named University spokesman. Morrow, who began working at Syracuse University in 1988, also assumes the titles of director of news services and

executive editor of the *Syracuse Record*, the University's newspaper.

It also was announced that the University's Department of Public Relations has been renamed University Communications.

literary ELITE

ty members from SU's creative writing program were named among the "20 best young fiction writers in America today" by The New Yorker magazine. In a June issue on "The Future of American Fiction," the esteemed literary magazine selected Department of English professors George Saunders G'88 and Junot Díaz as two writers from the 40-and-under set who've established themselves in the literary world. "They love literature at The New Yorker and really made a sincere effort to consider a lot of people," Saunders says. "It's a nice honor for us and the Syracuse University program."

Saunders and Díaz are frequent contributors to the magazine and both had short stories published in *The New Yorker* that were chosen as finalists in the fiction category of the 1999 National Magazine Awards.

Saunders, a National Magazine Award winner in 1994 and 1996, is the author of *CivilWarLand in Bad Decline*, a collection of stories. His "I Can Speak" is featured in the June 21 and 28 issue. *New Yorker* fiction editor Bill Buford cites the satirical story for its "dramatic monologue."

Díaz, a former Guggenheim Fellow, wrote the best-selling short-story collection *Drown*. Buford points to "Otravida, Otravez" in the issue as an outstanding example of a contemporary take of "the immigrant's twilight account of leaving home."

In honor of the writers, *The New Yorker* held a party and a series of readings featuring professional actors. Rosie Perez performed in "Otravida, Otravez" and Oliver Platt tackled "I Can Speak." "For me, the party was like being in a dream," Saunders says. "People who I've been reading and admiring for years were there."

universal EVOLUTION

his summer physicists from Syracuse and Cornell universities loaded a \$5 million device onto a temperature-controlled tractor trailer. The Ring Imaging Cherenkov Counter (RICH), designed by SU physicists, was then transported under police escort to Cornell University to be installed in the electron-positron collider at Wilson Laboratory.

The RICH detector, a one-of-a-kind machine, is part of the CLEO III detector that will be used to produce, detect, and identify minute particles of matter that were present when the universe was born billions of years ago. Funded by the National Science Foundation, the detector was built by a team of 25 researchers at SU, Southern Methodist University (SMU), the University of Minnesota, and SUNY Albany. SU High Energy Group physicists Sheldon Stone, who has been involved with CLEO since its inception, Marina Artuso, and Tomasz Skwarnicki are the project's lead researchers.

RICH is the heart of the CLEO project, which enables scientists from 20 universities to study the properties of so-called b quarks and anti-b quarks. These particles existed in nature when the universe was formed. Today they occur only under tightly controlled experimental conditions and disappear almost as quickly as they are born.

The quarks are produced by a 10.6 billion electron volt particle accelerator.

RICH consists of two cylinders. The outer cylinder, which was built at SU, is made of panels containing hundreds of tiny circuit boards and gold wires that will detect the particles and transmit data to computers. The inner cylinder, which was built at SMU, is lined with lithium fluoride crystals that will radiate the Cherenkov light.

The first CLEO particle detector was built in 1978. A new version, CLEO II, was constructed 10 years ago. CLEO III will allow scientists to perform experiments that were not possible with CLEO I or II.





Beth Gross had a powerful insight at Syracuse's Ronald McDonald House last winter. Gross 'oo, a child and family studies major in the College for Human Development, visited the house as part of her coursework. "While I was there, I saw many children with cancer wearing hats because their hair had fallen out from chemotherapy," Gross says. "It dawned on me that, for so many of these kids, their hats are a huge part of their identity."

Knowing that donations are vital to such an agency, Gross organized a hat drive called "Caps for Cancer," and collected hats for Ronald McDonald House, Crouse Hospital, and the American Cancer Society.

Many campus offices and organizations donated either hats or money to purchase them. Schine Student Center staff offered Gross a display wall in the University Bookstore. There, she set up about 70 hats on Plexiglas shelves along with information about the project and empty shelves labeled "Your Donation Here."

Gross then expanded the hat drive off campus and received donations from several local businesses. Ward Sales Company, a wholesale hat manufacturer in Syracuse, donated 300 hats.

Gross, a member of the Gamma Phi Beta sorority, was recognized for her work at the annual Greek awards, where she received the Harold M. Dwyer Award for Outstanding Leadership and Academic Achievement.

She hopes to continue and expand the project this fall.

orange BOOST

refurbished Kimmel computer cluster, a new commuter lounge, larger career advising interview rooms, and a video projection/sound system for the alcohol-free Perc Place club in the Schine Student Center are among \$625,000 worth of student-centered projects funded by Syracuse University's proceeds from the 1999 FedEx Orange Bowl.

SU's net revenue from the matchup with the University of Florida totals about \$1.8 million. A little more than one-third of the funds has been designated for various on-campus projects.

The remaining amount is allocated to the Athletics Department. A substantial part of the funding was used to balance the department's 1998-99 budget. The rest will be applied to future Athletics Department projects.

The on-campus projects fall into three categories: classroom, library, and computer room enhancement (\$446,000); space enhancement for student services and activities (\$93,000); and programmatic enhancements (\$86,000).

"We can make some substantial improvements in a number of academic and student services areas," says Chancellor Kenneth A. Shaw. "For that, I am very pleased."



meredith PROFESSORS

Chool of Education professor Sari Knopp Biklen and L.C. Smith College of Engineering and Computer Science professor Barry Davidson have been named the 1999 Laura J. and L. Douglas Meredith Professors of Teaching Excellence. The professorships recognize and reward outstanding teaching at Syracuse University.

"These professors stand for all the excellent educators at Syracuse University," says Associate Vice Chancellor Michael Flusche.

Biklen is director of the Cultural Foundations of Education Program. Davidson is a member of the Department of Mechanical, Aerospace, and Manufacturing Engineering.

Made possible by a bequest from the estate of L. Douglas Meredith '26, each Meredith Professorship is made up of an annual \$20,000 supplemental salary award and an annual \$5,000 grant for professional development. Professors are nominated by their deans for consideration by the Meredith Committee. Meredith Professors serve a three-year term, during which they work to better the quality of education at Syracuse University.

on LEADERSHIP

hancellor Kenneth A. Shaw describes his new book, *The Successful President: 'BuzzWords' on Leadership* (American Council on Education/Oryx Press, 1999), as a practical, "how-to" book for today's leaders.

The book focuses on leadership in



higher education, containing information and advice based on his more than 22 years of serving as chancellor or president of both public and private universities. "I felt that my experience over the years gave me

some observations about skills people need to be successful in this job, and decided now was as good a time as any to write the book," he says.

Although the Chancellor wrote the book with higher education in mind, many of the principles and practical suggestions could be used by corporate presidents, political leaders, and others.

Look for more on *The Successful President* in the Winter 1999-2000 issue.