

Quad Angles

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Interim Provost APPOINTED

Eric F. Spina, the Douglas D. Danforth Dean of the L.C. Smith College of Engineering and Computer Science (ECS) and professor of mechanical and aerospace engineering, has been appointed the University's interim vice chancellor and provost. "On the basis of Eric's outstanding leadership as dean and the many innovative synergies he forged there and with other units, I am confident he will be a very strong advocate for the University's academic mission," Chancellor Nancy Cantor says.

Spina joined the ECS faculty in 1988 and has been dean since 2003. He succeeds Deborah A. Freund, who stepped down in July after serving as vice chancellor and provost since 1999. Freund plans to remain on the Maxwell faculty as Distinguished Professor of Public Administration and Economics.

Electrical and computer engineering professor Shiu-Kai Chin '75, G'78, G'86 has been named ECS's interim dean.



Douglas Lloyd

Architectural VIEW

Writer-photographer Jeffrey Gorney explores the University's rich architectural history in *Syracuse University: An Architectural Guide*. Published by Syracuse University Press, the book features photos and details of the buildings that have become familiar landmarks. Gorney traces the history and transformation of the campus, from the construction of the Hall of Languages in the 1870s and the post-World War II building boom to the Carrier Dome (1980) and The Warehouse in downtown Syracuse, SU's most recent addition. The book also includes information on current projects: Newhouse III and the Center of Excellence in Environmental and Energy Systems, which is under construction downtown.

Making MOVIE MAGIC

For two weeks this summer, Lubin House was transformed into a set for a new movie starring Vanessa Williams '85. Tentatively titled *Who Needs 'Em?*, the comedy is about a single mother from Manhattan who searches for her young son's anonymous sperm-donor dad. "It's a great role and a great opportunity to work with people I know and respect,"

Williams told the Bergen County (New Jersey) *Record*. "For me and my age and background, this was a great opportunity to play a woman who was smart and accomplished. [The film] is heartwarming and funny."

The screenplay was written by Caytha Jentis '84, daughter of SU Trustee Emeritus Chester Soling '54, and produced by Jentis and Verne Mattson '82.

"I can't imagine where we would be if it hadn't been for Syracuse University and Lubin House," Jentis says. "Locations can be difficult to arrange for an independent film—even harder than lining up actors. Lubin House gave us so many options."

Jentis recruited several SU students as interns to help with numerous pre-production, on-site, and post-production activities. "One of my first assignments was to find contacts to negotiate brand placements in the film," says Ashley Kiss '09, a communication and rhetorical studies major in the College of Visual and Performing Arts. "For example, one of the characters is a big Yankees fan, which meant we needed to have Yankees stuff on the set. I located the person we had to negotiate with, then passed that person along to my boss. It was all really interesting, because I didn't know much about the details of filmmaking. Now I know a lot."

With shooting wrapped and post-production well under way, Jentis expects to have the film finished by year's end. "We already have a few film festivals interested, which is very exciting," she says.



Eric Weiss



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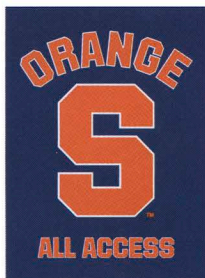
Inventor OF THE YEAR

Ever wonder what to do with those worn-down nubs of crayons? College of Visual and Performing Arts student Cassidy Goldstein '09 did—when she was 11 years old. Her solution: Stick the crayon piece in a plastic water tube for cut flowers. With her parents' encouragement, Goldstein pursued the innovative idea, experimenting with materials that would grab and hold the crayon pieces, regardless of size. Ultimately, she created a crayon holder that she patented with her father's assistance, and he launched the By Kids For Kids Company (www.bkfk.com), a Connecticut-based business that helps young inventors move their ideas through the patent process and into the marketplace.

In July, Goldstein received the Youth Inventor of the Year award on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C., from the Intellectual Property Owners Education Foundation (IPO). "I'm thrilled to have received the award—not for its label, but for the potential it has started for kid inventors everywhere," Goldstein says. "Upon creating this award, the IPO has acknowledged the successful outcome I have made with my invention, and hopefully this will prompt others to see the common good that can come from a child's naturally boundless way of thinking."

All ORANGE

Syracuse sports fans in search of basketball game highlights, live coverage of football coach Greg Robinson's press conferences, or a feature report on the rejuvenated rowing program can find all this and more at Orange All Access, the ultimate web portal for Orange fanatics. "It's a subscription service for fans, alumni, parents, and whoever else wants it," says Roger Springfield, director of media properties and production for the Department of Athletics. The service, located at www.suathletics.com, was unveiled in August 2005. For \$9.95



a month, or \$79.95 a year, subscribers gain access to a site with exclusive audio and video coverage, including live streaming telecasts of men's and women's lacrosse and women's basketball home games, as well as interviews with Syracuse University student-athletes and coaches

from all sports.

This fall, the addition of a media production studio at Manley Field House will allow SU Athletics to expand the service's offerings and tap the talents of student reporters and producers. A free, daily ESPN *SportsCenter*-style

video update will be added to the web site, and, for select games in several sports, Orange All Access will feature WAER's radio play-by-play coverage as well as full video streaming from the Orange Television Network.

Part of the site's beauty, Springfield says, is the access to up-to-date coverage it provides to fans from outside SU's regional broadcast zone. Orange All Access attracted about 1,800 subscribers in its first year. "The response was tremendous," Springfield says. "We had people watching all over the world, including in Japan and Iraq. It's also a great thing for parents who can't make it to every game."

News MAKERS

Newhouse magazine major **Ethan Ramsey '07** and *MPJ Magazine*, produced by students in Newhouse's military photojournalism program, received 2005 Mark of Excellence National Awards from the Society of Professional Journalists. Ramsey won in the sports column category for his *Daily Orange* column, "Birdland." *MPJ* was honored as the best annually published student magazine for the second time.

William Garrison, deputy University librarian and associate dean of libraries, is part of a committee establishing standards for international bibliographic descriptions for the cataloguing section of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions.

Professor **John Tillotson** was named Outstanding Science Teacher Educator of the Year by the Association for Science Teacher Education.

VP for ALUMNI RELATIONS

Andrea Latchem has been named assistant vice president for alumni relations. Latchem, who has served in the position on an interim basis since February, was previously senior philanthropic advisor and the executive director of development for gift and estate planning in the University's Office of Development.

"Andrea is well known and held in high regard by many of our alumni," says Tom Walsh G'84, senior vice president for institutional advancement. "She has worked diligently to connect alumni to SU for more than 20 years in her role in gift planning. This appointment is a recognition of her extraordinary commitment to advancing the University and the unique blend of experiences and talent she brings to the position."