Winter Carnival: Feb 21-24

Winter Carnival offers outdoor and indoor activities, including human dog sled races, ice-carvings, chili cook-offs, snow sculptures, and other events that coincide with Syracuse Winterfest. The four day festival schedule is filled with speakers, performances, and fun events that celebrate the spirit of the winter season. More information...

Slutzker Center Board Game Bonanza

Join us for a night of board games—Pictionary, Mexican Train, Taboo, Scrabble, Monopoly, Uno Attack, and More! Come meet new people, enjoy snacks, play games, listen to music, and take a break from school work. Don't see your favorite game on the list? Bring it along with you.

Day: Friday, February 22, 2008
Time: 5:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Location: Slutzker Center for International Services
310 Walnut Place, Syracuse University

International Cultural Fair

Join us for an exciting evening featuring music, food, and live dance performance to celebrate the many cultures here at the Maxwell School.

Day: Thursday, February 28, 2008
Time: 4:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.
Location: Goldstein Alumni & Faculty Center
This event is free.

Cross Country Skiing

Day: Saturday, March 1, 2008
Time: 12:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Location: Salmon Hills
Outdoor Adventure Center
Bus: Leaves from College Place (in front of Sims Hall)

What’s Included?
- Cross Country Skis, Boots, Poles, Group Lesson and Ski Pass (Varies by Package)
- Roundtrip Transportation (From SU’s College Place to Salmon Hill’s and back)

Sign up at least 2 days in advance by coming in to:
Recreation Services, 241 Archbold Gym 443-4386
Visit the Outdoor Education Homepage for pricing details and more info.
http://outdoored.syr.edu
This program was funded by the Undergraduate Co-Curricular Fee.

Gateway Learning Community

Consider living on-campus in the Gateway Learning Community. Located on North Campus in Watson, the mission of this learning community is to prepare high-achieving scholars for post-baccalaureate education, global citizenship, and lifelong achievement. Our vision is to build a community where residents challenge and support one another as they prepare for their transition to life after Syracuse University.

Residents receive a number of premium benefits, including GRE/MCAt/GMAT/LSAT test preparation, alumni/faculty/staff networking receptions, graduate school tours, and community service programs. Members of Gateway are required to participate in a seminar designed to complement the mission of the learning community.

Applications are available online. For further information, visit us online or contact me on AOL Instant Messenger at CSTEPCKABA or via email.
Women Transcending Boundaries in Need of Volunteers

Women Transcending Boundaries is hosting an international dinner on Sunday March 16. They invite 6-8 students to volunteer for about 6 hours (3:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.) or less depending on availability. Volunteers will help seat guests, direct them to the food tables, and bring out food to replenish empty buffet. This is a wonderful opportunity to represent your own ethnic and cultural background and engage in cross-cultural communication and celebration. For more information access their website or contact Ellie Young.

Flying Out of Syracuse?

Carry-On Baggage: Think Small, Think Smart, Think Safe

- Check with the airport for the number of carry-on bags allowed.
- The maximum size carry-on for most airlines is 45 linear inches.
- Keep essentials such as prescriptions, personal hygiene items, passport, important documents, and valuables (jewelry or cameras) in your possession.
- Plan to check more of your baggage and carry on less.
- Stow heavy items under the seat in front of you, not overhead.
- No oversized packages or luggage can be stowed on board.
- Don't assume the flight has unlimited closet space for garment bags; some may have to be checked.
- Don't pack anything in a carry-on bag that could be considered a weapon (e.g., razors, scissors, knives).

Checked Bags: Pack Smart

Avoid putting the following in checked baggage:

- Valuables (cash, jewelry).
- Critical items (medicine, keys, passport, tour vouchers, important papers).
- Irreplaceable items (manuscript, heirlooms).
- Fragile items (camera, eyeglasses, glass containers). If these must be checked, wrap them carefully in padding.
- Perishables.

Carry the above items either on your person, or in a small bag that you carry on board. Even if a bag is not lost, it may be delayed for a day or two. It is wise to put items you will need during the first 24 hours in a carry-on bag (toiletries, medications, and a change of underwear).

- Don't over pack checked bags. This puts pressure on the latches, making it easier for them to spring open.
- Put a tag on the outside of your baggage with your name, home address, and home and work phone numbers. The airlines provide free stick-on tags. Most carriers also have "privacy tags" that conceal this information from passersby.
- Put the same information inside each bag, and add an address and telephone number where you can be reached at your destination city.

Dress the Part

Avoid wearing clothing, jewelry, or other accessories that contain metal when traveling:

- Jewelry (pins, necklaces, bracelets, rings, watches, earrings, body piercings, cuff links, lanyard or bow tie).
- Shoes with steel tips, heels, shanks, buckles or nails.
- Clothing with metal buttons, snaps or studs.
- Metal hair barrettes or other hair decoration.
- Belt buckles.
- Under-wire brassieres.

Passengers who wear sensible clothing can reduce their chances of serious injury in the unlikely event of an emergency.

- Wear clothes made of natural fabrics such as cotton, wool, denim or leather. Synthetics may melt when heated.
- Dress to cover as much skin as possible.
- Wear clothing that is roomy, avoiding restrictive clothing.
- Wear low-heeled, leather or canvas shoes.

Other Airport Security Issues

- Arrive early. Current security measures increase time needed to check in.
- Do not leave your car unattended in front of the terminal.
- Keep your photo identification handy.
- Keep your eyes open for unattended packages and bags, and report them to authorities.
- Both carry-on and checked bags are subject to being hand-searched.
- Leave all valuables at home. Do not take anything with you that you cannot afford to lose.
- While packing, make a list of your luggage contents to give to the airline, in case your luggage is lost.

If You are Traveling Abroad:

- Take an international calling card to call home.
- Be sure to know your destination's international calling code.
- Always carry a card with the phone number of the United States embassy, or that of your home country, in case of emergency.
- Take one or two photocopies of your passport. Keep these separate from the original document. Have one of the copies notarized when you arrive.
Keep the notarized copy with you and the original in a safe place.
- Remember, there are laws in other countries that might not be in effect here in the United States, and you must abide by them.