



Friday, March 27, 2009



### Phi Beta Delta Induction Ceremony

All the pictures from the PBD Induction Ceremony will be posted on the Slutzker Center [website](#)

### Fans Will Gather Everywhere to Watch SU

Members of the Orange Nation are invited to watch Syracuse tonight in the Sweet Sixteen with fellow alumni across the country. The Orange tips off against the University of Oklahoma at 7:27 p.m.) tonight. Join one of the many alumni clubs hosting game watching parties to help cheer the Orange to victory. Make plans now to join your fellow alumni to enjoy and watch the game together. For more information please click [here](#).

**Go ORANGE Pride!!!**

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### ! Important Announcements !

- There will not be an on-campus employment seminar on Friday, **April 10th**.
- All your Federal and State Taxes have to be filed by **Wednesday, April 15th**. Your tax returns must be POSTMARKED by that date--they do not have to be received by the tax office by that date. You must complete the U.S. federal tax forms BEFORE you can complete the New York State forms.
- Students who are planning to do an Internship this summer should apply for Curricular Practical Training ([CPT](#)). The CPT seminar will be held on Wednesday, **April 1st at 3:00pm** at the Slutzker Center for International Services.
- If you would like to request Practical Training authorization (**OPT**) after your May graduation please attend an OPT seminar on Wednesday, **April 1st at 3:45pm**. Also, you can find all the necessary OPT information and the application process [here](#).
- **Graduate Students who are intending to graduate this May 2009** must complete the **File Diploma Request** process in MySlice by established deadlines, published as <http://gradsch.syr.edu/pdfs/GraduationDeadlines.pdf> by the Graduate School. This will activate the certification process and awarding of your degree.

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### **Important Immigration Reminders!**

#### **The Clock is Ticking on Some Practical Training Applications:**

**F-1** students who will be graduating in May 2009 and plan to apply for post-completion Optional Practical Training (OPT) are reminded that they must submit their application paperwork to the SCIS, and then send the processed documents to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) so that it is received at the USCIS no later than 60 days after their degree conferral date, which this year is May 6, 2009.

**F-1** students who have not yet begun the practical training application process are **urged** to do so soon so that you will have the best possible opportunity to obtain your employment authorization card in a timely manner. Currently, it is taking the USCIS Vermont Service Center approximately 12 weeks to process OPT employment authorization applications. Employment cannot begin until you have the card "in your hands."

Also, a student in **F-1** or **J-1** status cannot be employed away from the Syracuse University campus unless they have obtained appropriate federal authorization to do so before employment can begin. This includes internships, research and volunteer work.

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### **FREE BUS SERVICE FROM NOB HILL TO SU Starting March 30th!!**

There will be BLUE and WHITE buses providing **FREE** service from **Nob Hill Apartments** to Syracuse University. This service positively affects folks living in Nob Hill, Newberry Apts, Clarendon Heights, Hidden Valley, etc.

THESE ARE NOT CENTRO BUSES.

PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD!!

**This is a trial run. If not enough students ride these buses they will not be available next semester.**

For Bus Routes please click [here](#) and for the Bus Schedule please click [here](#)

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### **"Who's the Other?", An evening with Jennifer Miller**

When: **Thursday, April 2, 7 PM**

Where: **Watson Theatre**, Syracuse University campus (corner of Waverly and Comstock Ave.) including live performance (juggling, straightjacket escape and more!), a film screening ("Juggling Politics," a Brazilian documentary about the New York political circus company Circus Amok) and Q&A with Jennifer Miller, known as the 'bearded woman' and founder of Circus Amok.

The event is free and open to the public. Brought to you by Beyond Compliance (BCCC) <http://bccc.syr.edu>

For any inquiries or requests for accommodations contact Liat at [lbenmosh@maxwell.syr.edu](mailto:lbenmosh@maxwell.syr.edu) or Danielle at 315-436-7471.

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**DO YOU LIKE TO PERFORM?  
WANT TO SHARE YOUR UNIQUE CULTURE?**



The Maxwell School's Annual **CULTURAL FAIR**, presented by the graduate International Relations Student Association is seeking performers: groups/duo/solo singers, dancers, musicians and poets. **CULTURAL FAIR on APRIL 21, 2009.**

For more information, please contact:

AMERICA PINTABUTR  
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**Central European University  
Center for Hellenic Traditions**

HELLENIC STUDIES  
GRADUATE STUDENT DAY  
**Budapest, June 5 & 6 2009**

CALL FOR PAPERS

**Abstract Deadline: April 10, 2009**

We are happy to invite you to our first Hellenic Studies Graduate Student Day, organized under the auspices of the CEU Center for Hellenic Traditions. The theme of this year's meeting will be:

Bridges and Boundaries: Revisiting the Byzantine Inheritance. We intend to investigate a wide range of aspects regarding the transmission and transformation of Hellenic traditions in the Greek-speaking world and beyond. Special attention will be offered to the circulation of ideas as well as the continuous exchange of cultural and material practices with the neighboring regions. For this reason, a wide chronological span is envisaged, from the Late Antiquity until the immediate period after the Fall of Constantinople.

We invite speakers to submit papers in all areas of Late-Antiquity and Byzantine studies. Keynote speakers will be Dr. Ruth Macrides (University of Birmingham) and Dr. Petre Guran (South-Eastern European Research Institute of the Romanian Academy).

Presentations will be fifteen to twenty minutes in length. Travel grants and accommodation in Budapest are offered. Abstracts of around 300 words should be sent by email to Cristian-Nicolae Daniel ([cht@ceu.hu](mailto:cht@ceu.hu)) and Florin Leonte ([mphle01@phd.ceu.hu](mailto:mphle01@phd.ceu.hu)) members of the Organizing Committee.

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**Main Desk Assistants Needed**

The Office of Residence Life is seeking students to apply for main desk assistant (MDA) positions in our halls for the 2009 summer sessions (MayMester, Session 1 and Session II) and the 2009-2010 academic year.

Students interested in working for the 2009 summer sessions will not need to have a federal work study grant to work. Students working the 2009-2010 academic year will need a federal work study grant. Compensation for the main desk assistant position is \$7.50 an hour for summer workers and \$7.15 an hour for academic year MDAs.

We would greatly appreciate if you could assist us in identifying individuals who would be strong candidates for the summer MDA position and the 2009-2010 academic year position. Please ask students to apply online at <http://orl.syr.edu> or to visit any main desk to pick up an

application. Applications should be dropped off at any main desk on campus or to the ORL central office located at 111 Waverly Ave. Suite 200.

The application deadline is **Monday April 6, 2009**.

Thank you for your assistance! If you would like additional information regarding the summer or academic year MDA position, do not hesitate to contact Kim Williams at [knwillia@syr.edu](mailto:knwillia@syr.edu) or 315-443-3637.

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### **Get Involved at the R.A.P.E. Center!**

The R.A.P.E. Center is a place where there is always something to get involved in, from being on the stage to helping prepare for trainings, programs and events.

For more information about volunteer opportunities at the R.A.P.E. Center, contact Jill Sneider through e-mail at [jasneide@syr.edu](mailto:jasneide@syr.edu) or by phone (315-443-7126). You can also visit our website at <http://students.syr.edu/rapecenter/>

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#### **Note:**

**If you would like to submit a request to publish your news or events in our SCISNEWS letter. Please contact Daniela Baban Hurrle at [dbabanhu@syr.edu](mailto:dbabanhu@syr.edu)**

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