Recalling Top 10 moments of Syracuse Sports in 2012. Check out the photogallery here.

The Slutzker Center for International Services wishes the students all the very best for their Finals tomorrow.

Get ready for the Winter weather

If you have trouble viewing this message, please view this e-mail using your SYR email account.

We also post past SCIS newsletters on the SCIS website at http://international.syr.edu/newsletters/index.html
Street plowing: In the winter, major roadways receive priority, while secondary streets are plowed as soon as possible. The City of Syracuse operates a fleet of 40 plow and salt spreader trucks assisted by independent plow truck operators.

Sidewalks: Sidewalk snow removal is the responsibility of each property owner. In most cases, if the owner doesn't live at the property, the tenant is responsible for keeping the sidewalk clear. Clarify with your landlord about whose responsibility it is to remove the snow, especially while you are away. Just a reminder, the rule is to clear snow and ice from sidewalks by 6pm after snowfall. The Fire Department must keep hydrants clear of snow in case of emergency, so residents are asked to assist in this task whenever possible, especially during a heavy snowfall.

Below are some other tips to keep in mind during the Winter:

- **Parking:** During the winter, all parking regulations are strictly enforced by the City of Syracuse so that snow can be removed from the street. Your car will be towed if you are parked across the sidewalks or if you are in violation of the odd/even parking regulation. Call the 315-448-CITY for more information.

- **Clothing:** Dress appropriately before going outdoors. The air temperature does not have to be below freezing for someone to experience cold emergencies such as hypothermia and frostbite. Wind speed can create dangerously cold conditions even when the temperature is not that low. **Dress in layers** so you can adjust to changing conditions. Avoid over-dressing or over-exertion that can lead to heat illness. Most of your body heat is lost through your head so wear a hat, preferably one that covers your ears. Mittens provide more warmth to your hands than gloves.

- **Footwear:** Wear waterproof, insulated boots to help avoid hypothermia or frostbite by keeping your feet warm and dry and to maintain your footing in ice and snow. Get out of wet clothes immediately and warm the core body temperature with a blanket or warm fluids like hot cider or soup.

- Avoid drinking caffeine or alcohol if you expect you or someone you are trying to help has hypothermia or frostbite.

For more detailed information visit AmericanRedCross website.

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**Recreational Facilities Schedule for Winter Break**

The new schedule for the recreational facilities has been put up by the department. The schedule is only for the dates from Saturday, Dec 8th 2012 to Sunday, Jan 13th 2013. The Women’s Building will be closed for recreational use during the above stated time period.

You can access the full schedule in a pdf format here.

**Mini Aqua Fitness Class**

Want to stay fit this winter? Join the fitness crew at the Webster pool for mini aqua fitness class. Details are as mentioned below.

**When:** January 2nd, 3rd, 7th, 8th & 9th

**Where:** Webster Pool

**Time:** 11:10am & Noon

**Cost:** $10.00

For full details access the brochure here.

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**Upcoming dates for Travel and Practical Training seminars**

**Travel seminars for F-1 and J-1 visa holders**

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With the Winter holidays approaching, SCIS will be holding additional travel seminars.

If you are planning any travel, be sure to attend a seminar and ensure you are up-to-date on what you must prepare in advance. It will help make your trip as smooth as possible!

Where: Slutzker Center for International Services
310 Walnut Place (across the street from Bird Library)

Cost: Free

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**Movie Time at Slutzker Center!**

**FINALS ARE DONE FOREVER!!!**
(well, at least until Spring term)

Now come relax with MOVIES at SCIS!

- **Monday, Dec 17th** at 12pm (noon)
- **Tuesday, Dec 18th** at 11am
- **Wednesday, Dec 19th** at 10am
- **Thursday, Dec 20th** at 12pm (noon)
- **Friday, Dec 21st** – **Time to be announced**

The staff has brought a collection of DVDs to choose from and we'll have some popcorn and drinks too!

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**SCIS Programs**

**MIX-IT-UP is back in January**

**Yeah!! Mix-it-Up is back!**
First meeting is **January 18th** at 5pm at the Schine Underground.
Students of all backgrounds are welcome. Come out to share stories, eat food and have some fun! RSVP today with Elane Granger at elcarras@syr.edu.

### English Conversation Groups

New students and new volunteers are invited to join our English Conversation Group. For more information please click this link.

### Let’s Chat!

Family problems, roommate difficulties, academic concerns, or financial struggles? Stressed, sad, or feeling lost? Need to talk to someone?

Try “Let’s Chat!”

For details visit this link.

### Academic Success

Need help to improve your academic performance? Don’t be late in getting proper support. Visit this link for the detailed information on resources at SU.

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**Syracuse University Events**

**Syracuse University Brass Ensemble**

The Syracuse University Brass Ensemble is composed of thirty eight members of the Syracuse University faculty and staff, the S.U.N.Y. Upstate Medical University faculty and staff and accomplished musicians from surrounding communities. The ensemble is a year round organization which presents approximately sixteen performances yearly including recitals on the Syracuse University Campus and several performances in the surrounding communities. The repertoire of the ensemble includes music from all major musical periods. Each program draws on four centuries of songs and carols, including “Let It Snow,” “White Christmas” “Winter Wonderland,” “O Holy Night,” “It’s the Most Wonderful Time of the Year” and “How the Grinch Stole Christmas,” featuring WCNY-FM’s Bruce Paulsen. Non-holiday fare includes music from Bernstein’s “West Side Story,” Rossini’s “Semiramide,” Saint-Saëns’ “Samson and Delilah,” “The Muppet Show” and “Crimson Tide.”

For more information please visit the official page here.
### Master’s Level Graduate Research Conference: Call for Proposals

The Master’s Level Graduate Research Conference is open to the public and will feature work by hundreds of master’s level students across the disciplines from Brockport and other universities throughout New York, neighboring states, and nearby Canada. These students will present original research and artistic endeavors in poster sessions, oral presentations, and creative performances. In addition to a luncheon and keynote presentation, there will be seminars for students on career development and doctoral study preparation and workshops for visiting faculty on government and foundation grant opportunities.

**When?**: Saturday, Apr 20th

**Proposals Submission Deadline**: Saturday, Feb 9th

**Contact Info**: Kim Remley at (585) 395-2523

For further information please visit the official website [here](#).

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### Stop Bias @SU

If you have been impacted by an act of bias at SU, click the link above to report it. It’s quick, easy, and can be anonymous. We just need to know where, when, what, and your role, although as much info as possible is appreciated. Your report will help us better understand and improve the campus environment for all.

For consultation, support and referrals, please find the contact info below -

**Office of Student Assistance @315-443-4357**

For reporting an Act of Bias please [click here](#).

For more information please visit the official page [here](#).

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### Registrations for Student Leadership Conference

Sponsored by the [Student Leadership Institute](#) and the [Lerner Center for Public Health Promotion](#), the theme of the 2013 Syracuse University Student Leadership Conference is “Real Talk. Real Action.” The conference will be held in the Schine Student Center and the SU Sheraton Hotel and Conference Center on February 9, 2013.

- **Registration**: Students who [register](#) by Friday, Dec 14 will receive exclusive “swag”

- **Proposals**: Submit a program proposal [here](#) by Friday, Dec 14th.

  Links to Check out: [Conference website](#) & [Tips for Attendees](#)

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### Transitive Flux – Art Exhibition

XL Projects presents the exhibition *Transitive Flux*, a conversation about the location of thoughts and objects on the transitional plane. The four-person exhibition is the work of Rebecca Aloisio, Michael Giannattasio, Sarah Camille Wilson and Davana Wilkins. Each artist’s work is a visual negotiation of physical and psychological spaces. Through diverse media and practices, the artists question time, space and the nature of human interaction with objects. The theme of the transitive and an underlying connection to the human body are present in the work of each artist. Drawing, clay, electronics and large-scale sculpture form the language with which they express ineffable moments in space and time. The exhibition addresses these issues through complex visual and physical systems that resonate with consciousness.

**When**: Wednesday, Dec 5th 2012 - Sunday, Jan 27th 2013

**Where**: XL Projects, 307-313 S. Clinton St., Syracuse

Contact Info for inquiries and holidays: [ahavenhand@yahoo.com](mailto:ahavenhand@yahoo.com)

For more information please visit the [official page](#).
Cost: Free

Autographed sports goodies up for grab - After the Auction Sale

The SPM Club's Charity Sports Auction on Dec 8th, 2012 was a huge success, and now our "After the Auction" sale begins, making available those items that went unsold on a first-come, first-served basis now through Dec. 20. This is a wonderful way to get some great holiday deals while supporting Special Olympics New York.

When: Now until Thursday, Dec 20th
Contact: Kate Veley, 315.443.9816, koveley@syr.edu
Pickup Location: David B. Falk College of Sport and Human Dynamics Department of Sport Management
808 Nottingham Road, Drumlin's Complex, Syracuse, NY 13224
Download List of Items here
For more information visit the official page.
### Adventure Trips to Enjoy this Winter

| **Daytrip: Lake Placid**  
| (Ride the Bobsled and Skeleton) | **Daytrip: Skiing/Snowboarding at Song Mountain**  
| **When:** Saturday, Feb 2, 6:30am-11:00pm | **When:** Sunday, Feb 17, 10:30am-5:00pm  
| **Available spaces:** 7 | **Available spaces:** 24  
| **Cost:** SU/ESF Students: $55.00  
| All other SU/ESF ID card holders: $110.00 | **Cost:** SU/ESF Students: $35.00  
| All other SU/ESF ID card holders: $45.00  
| **Daytrip: Skiing/Snowboarding at Song Mountain**  
| **When:** Sunday, Feb 17, 10:30am-5:00pm  
| **Available spaces:** 24  
| **Cost:** SU/ESF Students: $35.00  
| All other SU/ESF ID card holders: $45.00  
| **Six Week Ski and Snowboard Program at Toggenburg Mountain**  
| Program starts Friday January 25 and Saturday January 26 and runs for six consecutive weeks.  

For full details about the above events please visit [Recreation Services Website](#).

### The College of Arts and Sciences

La Casita is committed to promoting and documenting the arts and culture of Central New York’s Latino/Latin American community.

**Next Event:** Angels on the Border  
(open 12pm to 6pm)

For a full listing of events click [here](#).

### Musical performances/recitals at SU

The Setnor School of Music will be presenting a series of musicals, recitals and ensembles.

**Next Event:** "Too Many Sopranos" – Music Opera Workshop  
(01/25, 8pm)

For a full listing of events, [click here](#).

### SU Athletics–Cheer for the Orange!

Don’t miss a huge part of the college/university experience. Attend a game or a concert.

**Next Event:** SU Women's Basketball vs. Binghamton (12/15, 1pm)

For a complete schedule of sports [click here](#).

For major events calendar and ticket info, [click here](#).

### Hendricks Chapel Events

The diverse religious, spiritual, ethical and cultural heart of SU. Events include musicals, choirs, ensembles, etc.

**Next event:** Memorial for Pan Am Flight 103 (12/21, 2:03pm)

For more details and full list of events visit [this](#) link.

### Arts, Recreational & Community Events

#### ‘Room 514’ to conclude Israeli Film Festival

**Title:** Room 514 by Sharon Bar-Ziv – 88 min, Fiction

**When:** Thursday, Dec 13th at 7pm

**Where:** Jewish Community Center
### About the Movie:
In this disturbing, realistic debut a determined young female soldier interrogates an officer.

### New York State Fair Ground Events
Home of the annual New York State Fair and a number of other events. For a list of upcoming events [click here].
**Next Event:** Always...Patsy Cline-Theatre Performance (12/14, 8pm)

### Events at Landmark Theater
A major venue for events in Syracuse. For a calendar of events, [click here].
**Next Event:** Holiday movie series (12/16, 1pm)

### CNY Jazz Central Events
CNY Jazz hosts several musical events. For a list of upcoming events, [click here].
**Next Event:** Performance by Loren Barrigar & Mark Mazengarb, with Donna Colton & Sam Patterelli (12/14, 7:30pm)

### Syracuse Opera Events
A limited season of major operas and musicals. For more information, [click here].
**Next Event:** Sweeney Todd (02/8, 8pm)

### The Oncenter Events
Home for pro sports teams (including soccer and ice hockey) and major performances in Syracuse. For a list of upcoming events, [click here].
**Next Event:** Syracuse Silver Knights vs Missouri Comets (12/14, 7:30 pm)

### Onondaga County Parks events
Outdoor events all over Onondaga County, including parks, beaches and the Rosamond Gifford Zoo. For a calendar of events, [click here].
**Next Event:** Gardeners In Thyme (12/13, 7pm)

### SU on the stage
The Department of Drama will be presenting several popular shows at the Syracuse Stage complex. The 2012-

### SRC Arena & Events Center
The SRC Arena and Events Center is a premier facility, hosting major college and community events, the arts,
2013 season includes works by Sondheim, Shakespeare, and a Christmas production. For a full listing of events, click here.

Next Event: White Christmas (performing 11/23–12/30)

Commencement and award ceremonies, athletic events and more. For a full listing of events, click here.

Next Event: Empire Brass Feat. Elisabeth von Trapp (12/21, 8pm)

Next Event: Akuma Roots: Performing a Fusion of Reggae and Afro-Caribbean Music (01/17, 7pm)

SU Sports and Trending News

Men’s Basketball: ESPN 2 to air Orange vs Detroit

The Syracuse men’s basketball game against Detroit on December 17th will tip off at 7 p.m. and will be televised live on ESPN 2. Heading into this weekend’s matchup between the #4/4 Orange and Canisius, head coach Jim Boeheim is just two wins away from 900. Currently second in most wins among active Division I coaches, Boeheim is only four victories away from matching Bobby Knight (902) on the all-time ledger. Read full story on SUAthletics.

Don’t forget to witness the Geminid Meteor Shower tonight

Syracuse area residents view two rare astronomical objects today – the sun during the day and the Geminid meteor shower tonight. The sun, absent most of the past three weeks from Central New York, should grace the Syracuse area today thanks to a high pressure over the eastern United States, the National Weather Service said. The temperature is expected to peak around 43 degrees at Hancock International Airport. Some clouds are expected tonight, but sky conditions should be favorable for viewing the Geminids, said Joanne LaBounty, a meteorologist with the weather service’s Binghamton office.

The Geminid shower typically peaks on Dec. 13 and 14 each year, with 50 or so bits of cosmic dust streaking across the sky per hour, according to the EarthSky website. The moon won’t be out tonight, making it easier to see the meteor show. Continue reading the full story on Syracuse.com.

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Quotes to keep you thinking

“Things are always best seen when they are a trifle mixed-up, a trifle disordered; the chilly administrative neatness of museums and filing cases, of statistics and cemeteries, is an inhuman and anti-natural kind of order; it is, in a word, disorder.” – Camilo Jose Cela (Nobel Prize winner for literature)

“To win means nothing without the will to prepare.” – Juma Ikangaa (former NYC marathon champion)

“One of the things I feel confident in saying we can do is bring some excitement, and challenges, to people's lives. We want them to be able to embrace the unexpected.” – Zaha Hadid (Pritzker and Stirling Award winning architect)

“I am not an animal in my personal life. But in the ring there is an animal inside me. Sometimes it roars when the first bell rings. Sometimes it springs out later in a fight. But I can always feel it there, driving me and pushing me forward. It is what makes me win. It makes me enjoy fighting.” – Roberto Durán (World champion boxer in four different weight classes)

“I had a very fortunate life, a good education. I should give it to somebody else.” – Anuradha Koirala (social activist-CNN Hero of the Year award winner)

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