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**April 12:**

North Carolina region - Regional Campaign Launch (Charlotte, NC)

**April 14:**

On campus - Fall Sports Alumni Weekend

**April 19:**

Manhattan Alumni Reception, with School of Business students

**April 21:**

On campus - Omega (Beta Psi) Challenge Weekend/ Greek Hall of Fame Induction

**April 27-28:**

On campus - Springfest/  
[Alumni Weekend](#),  
[Greekfest](#)

**April 27:**

Men's Rugby 30th Reunion, Geneseo

## Externship Marks 25th Anniversary by Expanding to Two Cities!



*Chicago externs enjoy the Skydeck on the 103rd floor of the Willis Tower.*

The 2012 Externship program doubled in size by sending 14 students to Boston and 13 to Chicago. Traditionally, the career exploration program alternates among Boston, DC and NYC each year. Through the generosity of four alumni donors in Chicago, students got the chance to Extern in the "Windy City" in addition to "Beantown" during spring break. Externs participated in several career exploration activities hosted by generous Geneseo alumni volunteers.

Support from Gary Grose '87, Jeff Burkard '89, Jeff Cramer '86 and Paul Lambert '91 made this year's Chicago Externship possible. In fact, it was Burkard's own student Externship experience in New York that gave him the inspiration and courage to follow his dreams in Chicago.

"The idea of moving to a much larger city and making roots can be overwhelming. To see other alums who had moved [to New York] and made it - and to see the energy a large city has - was very inspiring," Burkard said. "To be able to open that experience to more students is fantastic."

Students gained invaluable information about what life is like after Geneseo; how to look for and land

**May 6:**

New York City region -  
Museum of NYC Tour and  
Luncheon

**May 17:**

Syracuse region - Regional  
Campaign Launch

**May 19:**

Westchester/Rockland  
region - Regional  
Campaign Launch  
(Briarcliff, NY)

**May 30:**

Albany region - Regional  
Campaign Launch

**May 31:**

Long Island region -  
Regional Campaign  
Launch (Woodbury, NY)

**June 2:**

New England region -  
Regional Campaign  
Launch (Boston)

**July 13-15:**

On campus - SUMMER  
REUNION

**August 8:**

Saratoga Day at the  
Races, Saratoga, NY

**September 21-23:**

Homecoming Weekend

For more information about  
events, visit our [website](#), e-  
mail [alumni@geneseo.edu](mailto:alumni@geneseo.edu)  
or call (585) 245-5506.

Are you interested in  
sponsoring an event in  
your area? [Let us know!](#)

that first job; how to find a place to live; and, most importantly, that the Geneseo family of alumni are eager to help students.

Learn more about the Externship experience by [reading a blog post from Boston Extern Dominick Ciruzzi '12](#).

## Get Ready, Summer Reunion is Coming!

Summer Reunion 2012 is quickly approaching. Alumni relations staff is working closely with reunion volunteers to organize an exciting weekend of activities. Last year, more than 500 alumni gathered in Geneseo for a unique opportunity to relive college memories and make new ones to last a lifetime.

More importantly, everyone is looking forward to reconnecting with old friends during Reunion weekend, July 13-15. This year we will have a special slideshow comprised of YOUR photos, [so send them in](#).

Classes celebrating an anniversary this summer include all years ending in a 2 or 7. Plus, we'll also celebrate affinity reunions for MTC, RAs and the ADE Sorority (1995-2012).

Excited and want to help make the weekend special? We could use your help! Here's how:

- Become a reunion volunteer - it's not too late! Email [alumni@geneseo.edu](mailto:alumni@geneseo.edu) to find out more and get involved.
- [Send us your favorite college photos](#) for use in a special reunion slideshow to premiere during reunion weekend. We are especially interested in pictures from 2000-present.
- Summer Reunion 2013 will celebrate all classes ending in a 3 or 8 and volunteers are needed. If you are interested in assisting in the planning of your class reunion, please email us at [alumni@geneseo.edu](mailto:alumni@geneseo.edu).

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Class Notes

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THE CAMPAIGN FOR GENESEO

For a fun walk down memory lane, the below video celebrates your time at Geneseo. Enjoy and we hope to see you this summer!



[View the full schedule of activities](#) and [SIGN UP TODAY!](#)  
Registration is now open.

### Celebrate Alumni Weekend!

Alumni of all eras - including fraternity brothers and sorority sisters - will gather on campus Friday - April 27, 2012 and Saturday - April 28, 2012 to revel in Geneseo memories and tradition.

Take a look at the weekend's events and get registered. We'll see you there!

#### **Friday - April 27 and Saturday - April 28**

9:00 - 11:00 p.m.

Exclusive "Alumni Only" Happy Hours at the I.B.

This event runs prior to the doors opening to the public. Registration is just \$5 per person and includes Alumni Mug Drink Specials,\* Mama Mia's pizza and Aunt Cookies' subs. \*Pre-registration required

#### **Saturday - April 28 - GREEKFEST**

9:00 - 11:00 p.m.

Part of Exclusive "Alumni Only" Happy Hour at the I.B. - this event runs prior to the doors opening to the public and features Alumni Mug Drink Specials\*, Mama Mia's pizza and Aunt Cookies' subs. This event is **FREE for all pre-registered Geneseo Greek alumni**, compliments of the Office of Alumni Relations, with special thanks to Tim Tobin '89 (Sigma Nu).

\*Pre-registration required.

**Register for one or both Happy Hours today!**

From the Alumni Blog:

[A G.O.L.D. Mine of Information](#)

[Blue Knights Winter Recap](#)

[Sharing your Sweethearts - through Tweethearts!](#)

The Office of Alumni Relations is offering a complimentary Late Night Alumni Shuttle on Friday and Saturday between 8:30 p.m and 2:30 a.m. The shuttle will make stops on Main Street (at the fountain), lower Court Street (near Orchard Street) and at both the Hampton Inn and Quality Inn.

### ***Upcoming Greek Events and Anniversaries***

#### **2012**

Clio 140th Anniversary Celebration - Homecoming 2012 (September 21-23)  
Greek Hall of Fame ([now accepting nominations](#)) - Homecoming 2012

#### **2013**

Sig Tau 50th Anniversary - Summer Reunion 2013  
Sammies 10th Anniversary

#### **2014**

Pheta 20th Anniversary  
Sigma Kappa 25th Anniversary  
Omega 30th Anniversary  
Phi Lamb 50th Anniversary  
Arethusa 120th Anniversary

#### **2015**

**CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF GREEK LIFE AT GENESEO  
IGC'S 100th Anniversary - Summer Reunion 2015**

Please [email us](#) if you are interested in planning your organization's upcoming anniversary celebration; committees are forming now.

### **Math Professor Gary Towsley Named Among Best 300 Professors by *Princeton Review***

Gary Towsley, distinguished teaching professor of mathematics, is among the country's top undergraduate professors named in The Princeton Review's new guidebook "the Best 300 Professors."

"To be honest, I'm not surprised to hear about Gary's selection as one of the country's best," said Provost Carol Long. "His reputation as a consummate scholar is well-known on our campus, and I frequently hear from students about the impact he has on their learning, both inside and outside of the classroom."

Towsley has taught at Geneseo for 38 years and was named a distinguished teaching professor in 1998. Among his favorite classes is Poetry and Cosmology in the Middle

Ages, which he co-teaches with Geneseo Dante scholar Ron Herzman.

In its profile of Towsley, *The Princeton Review* editors cited his "ability to account for the varying levels of skill and understanding in his classes by trying to challenge those who already understand the material, while simultaneously being patient and supportive with those who feel they are lost."

Read responses from alumni and current students on Towsley's being named one of "The 300 Best Professors," and share your thoughts, on the [SUNY Geneseo facebook page](#).

## Metzler '00 Receives Outstanding Young Alumni Award

Molly Smith Metzler '00 got her playwriting start at Geneseo, when Professor Emeritus Terry Browne asked to her create a 10-minute scene focused on conflict.

Those 10 minutes inspired a life passion.

Metzler staged her scene, which depicted a family's first holiday following a divorce, before she graduated. Through the experience, she knew she wanted to be a playwright and Browne gave her the encouragement she needed.

Since then, she has won numerous awards for her work. Her play, "Close-Up Space" debuted in the prestigious Manhattan Theatre Club last fall with celebrity actors David Hyde Pierce and Rosie Perez in the leading roles.

On March 5, President Christopher C. Dahl awarded Metzler the Geneseo Alumni Association's Outstanding Young Alumni Award for her accomplishments.

Dahl presented the award following a reading of Metzler's current work, "Carve," at Rochester's Geva Theatre.

"You are without a doubt someone who has achieved amazing success," said Dahl. "You have catapulted to new horizons as an extremely talented playwright within a very short period of time. The alumni association is proud and privileged to present you with this award."

Some of Metzler's mentors were also on hand to listen to her new work and congratulate her on her success: Browne, Distinguished Teaching Professor of English Ronald Herzman and Professor of English Tom Greenfield.

Metzler's plays have won 13 awards. Her first play, "Training Wisteria," won three national awards and "Elemeno Pea" just opened at the Actors Theater of Louisville's Humana Festival of New Plays.



*Molly Smith Metzler (center) with (from left to right) Terry Browne, Tom Greenfield, Ron Herzman and President Christopher Dahl.*

