

Delhi People

Delhi's Fab Four

Four Delhi faculty and staff members have been nominated to receive this year's SUNY Chancellor's Awards for excellence—**Lynda Preiser**, Student Health Services Director, **Richard L. Golding**, Assistant Professor of Hospitality Management, Dr. **Michael J. Petrillose**, Associate Professor of Hospitality Management, and **Barbara Sturdevant**, Professor of Business (pictured from left to right). If approved, they will be recognized at SUNY Delhi's 89th commencement on May 20.

"We look forward to celebrating the achievement of these extraordinary members of the Delhi campus community," says President **Candace Vancko**. "They contribute to the success of our students in so many ways, both in and outside of the classroom."

Professor Sturdevant has been nominated for the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching. A professor who is both demanding and well-liked, Sturdevant has taught a wide range of courses in accounting, computer processing and management, teaching in both the Business and Hospitality Management programs. She has developed many new courses for the Business program, including *Computerized Accounting*, *Government and Non-Profit Accounting*, and *Accounting for Small Businesses*. Professor Sturdevant has also played a major role in developing



the college's baccalaureate degree in Information Technology.

Professor Sturdevant has been a leader in many college initiatives, committees and workgroups. She currently serves as chair of Delhi's curriculum committee and has served for many years as chair of the college's United University Professionals Individual Awards

program. In the past, Professor Sturdevant has served as chair of the promotion committee and co-chair of the strategic planning committee. She has been recognized with the college's Academic Advisor of the Year Award. For over 10 years, Professor Sturdevant has served as Associate

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Q & A with... Joan Erickson

Occupation: Instructor, Mathematics

Birthplace: Taiwan

Education: A B.S. in Chemical Engineering from the University of Mississippi and an M.S. in Natural Sciences from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

What do you like most about your job?

I like my subject area. I like teaching it, and I like learning it since there is always something new to play with. I feel this job is so worth it when I see students giving their earnest effort trying to solve math problems. I honestly feel it is such a privilege to be a teacher. I consider college the place where academia meets the real-world work skills. Every young person

in college learns what their academic strengths are, what careers may be a good match for their interests and capabilities, and ultimately they come to realize who they are as individuals. And I feel that we are here to make a lasting impression upon their learning experience before we send them off to the big world.

Who do you most admire? My parents, especially my mother. The term “immigrant’s dream” is very real to my family and me. I watched my parents work through hardships and challenges by sheer determination. That’s why I admire anyone who refuses to be defeated by challenges.

What is your greatest achievement? I am achieving it right now.

If you could change jobs with someone for a day, who would that be? My dog. I want to know how it feels to wait for hours before someone comes home and takes me for a walk.

Director of the NJCAA Division III Men’s Basketball Championship and has ensured the success of the college’s hosting of the tournament.

Professor Golding has been nominated for the Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Faculty Service. An active member of the campus community, Professor Golding has served four years on the academic policy committee and has served a vital role as a member of Delhi’s budget and planning committee. He currently volunteers at Regalia, the college’s gently-used clothing store. He has also served as a co-planner and master of ceremonies for the store’s annual fashion show. His other campus activities include acting as master of ceremonies for staff development presentations, presenting many customer service seminars for faculty and staff, and assisting with the college’s DAD Day program, open houses, scholarship dinners, Family Day, and SUNY’s legislative activities in Albany. Although his instructional focus is restaurant and hotel management, Professor Golding regularly assists the culinary students during their competitions. Professor Golding serves as the advisor for Hotel Sales & Marketing Association International, a student-

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professional organization on the Delhi campus. In that capacity, he received the 2004-2005 Student Activities Advisor of the Year.

In addition to his service on the Delhi campus, Professor Golding has served his community as president of the Deposit Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Town of Deposit Planning Board, a member of the Deposit Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund Committee, and Clerk of Session for the Deposit Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Petrillose has been nominated for the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities. Dr. Petrillose's studies on human resources management within the hospital-ity industry have been published nationally and internationally. Since joining the Delhi faculty in 2002, he has continued his research, investigating topics such as a potential employee's tendency toward customer service. In 2004, Dr. Petrillose received a Marriott Faculty Fellowship that enabled him to work closely with the company's loss prevention and ethical investigation department. In addition, Dr. Petrillose sought the expertise of a retired FBI agent/profiler to better understand workplace violence and how it

relates to supervisory communication. He presented his findings at the International Society for Performance Improvement annual conference.

In 2005, Dr. Petrillose received a "Conversations in the Disciplines" Award from SUNY to organize a one-day symposium on brand recognition and corporate reputation, which brought industry professionals and international scholars to the Delhi campus. That same year he received the SUNY Chancellor's Recognition for Research and Scholarship. More recently, Dr. Petrillose is exploring trends in labor shortages within businesses today, as well as generational difference and the legal and social impacts in today's workplace.

Lynda Preiser has been nominated for the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Professional Service. As Director of Student Health Services, Preiser has initiated several improvements to student health care which include a self-care cold clinic, improved laboratory services, and disease testing on campus. Through her efforts, the college offers low-cost birth control options to students as well as free vitamins.

Preiser has played a significant role in educating Delhi students

Wearing of the Green



Who says green's only for showing your Delhi spirit? Faculty and staff celebrated Saint Patrick's Day by wearing their green Delhi flashing sun glasses and dancing the jig to the sounds of Instructor **Pete Campbell's** pipes. From left to right are **Roberta Hudson**, Secretary II, **Suzanne Puffer**, President's Secretary, Campbell, and **Barbara Kaplan**, Secretary II.

on good health. She has instructed on a variety of wellness topics that include sexually transmitted diseases, birth control, CPR and the Heimlich maneuver. In addition to instructing on health, she has trained students in diversity issues, conducted peer education classes, and taught classes in student success. Preiser has been instrumental in improving the

overall health care of the campus community by introducing automated external defibrillators (AEDs) to key areas on the Delhi campus and instructing faculty and staff on CPR and the use of the AEDs. She has also made flu vaccinations available to faculty and staff in addition to the student population.

Kudos



Assistant Professor Tom Recinella

Assistant Professor **Tom Recinella** won his first international individual gold medal at the International Culinary Competition in Marina deMassa, Italy. Winning the gold in the cold food category, he was also named the 2006 National Champion of the Cold Kitchen.

The Hudson Valley Chapter of Golf Course Superintendents Association recently awarded \$1,000 scholarships to two students of the Golf Course Management Superintendent program—**Dan Dulin** and **George Lang IV**.

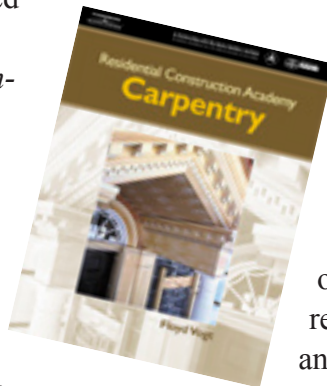
Two Professional Development Grants have been awarded by

the Deans' Council this month. Senior Assistant Librarian **Steve Dixon** received \$150 to attend the SUNY Training Center's Spring 2006 Conference on Teaching and Learning in Buffalo. Instructor **Jamie Rotter** received \$225 to pursue his certification as an executive chef through the American Culinary Federation.

Delhi's Center for Community Service was awarded \$50,000 in matching grants from the O'Connor Foundation. "We are very excited about the new grant," says **Martha E. Vink**, Coordinator. "It sends a clear message that the O'Connor Foundation supports our operation and that they are impressed with our results."

In Print

Associate Professor **Floyd Vogt** has just completed a revision to his textbook, *Carpentry*. This effort required him to travel to Dallas, TX, Port St. Lucie, FL, and Valencia, CA to gather information on variations in residential construction



Delhi nursing students hosted this year's Teddy Bear Clinic in the new South Hall facility. Children from Delhi's Child Care Center brought their favorite stuffed animal to the clinic to learn what it's like to visit the doctor. The nursing students also made presentations on good health and well being.

practices across the nation. He interviewed dozens of workers and took hundreds of photos for the book. *Carpentry, 4th Edition* follows the logical path of a residential project, using reader-friendly presentations and easy-to-follow diagrams to explore building plans, site-work and layout, footings and

foundations, framing, interior and exterior surfaces, cabinetry and flooring, and more.

New Face

Marilyn Stever is the new Keyboard Specialist for Records and Registration and Information Systems.

Making the Most of Break



This year students and staff volunteers traveled to Oxnard, CA to work with Habitat for Humanity during mid-winter break. From left to right: (top row) **Martha E. Vink**, Campus Minister and O'Connor Center Coordinator; **David "Buzz" Bussing**, Habitat for Humanity Site Manager; **Danny Lockwood**; **Heather Byrnes**; **Carlos Lopez**; **Toni Bederka**; **Dan Ratto**; **Jamie Popiel**; **Laurence O'Connell**; **Bill Forshaw**; **Frank Farrington**; **Kelly Herzog**; **Pete Campbell**, Technology Instructor; **Katie Lynn**; (front row) **Lynda Preiser**, Student Health Services Director; **Kevin Pawlowski**; and Dr. **Gary Preiser**.

Out and About

University Police have been busy participating in professional development and offering presentations. Lieutenant **Timothy Hess** attended a training seminar on drug investigation in Binghamton.

Officer **Ladd Dawson** participated in a Breathalyzer seminar in Oneonta. Officer **James McCartney** was recently certified in the use of breath alcohol testers. Chief **Perri DeFreece** gave a presentation to 20 youths at the New York State Office of Children and

Family Services Brace Facility in Masonville.

SUNY Delhi was the place for culinary and academic competition in February. Hospitality Management hosted the New York State Hot Food Team ACF competition with Delhi's culinary team winning a silver medal. The college also hosted its annual MathCounts for area high school students, thanks to Professor **Walt Bray**. The regional Skills-VICA competition returned to Delhi in February hosting 19 high schools from across New York State. Assistant Professor **Eric Robert** and Secretary II **Denise McLean** organized this campus-wide event.

Janet Bodisco-Massink, Nurse I, **Lori Osterhoudt**, Director of Counseling, and **Barbara Jones**, Vice President of Student Life, traveled to Albany to serve on the selection committee for the 2006 SUNY Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence.

Lori Osterhoudt, Director of Counseling Services, recently attended a meeting of the SUNY Counseling Center Directors Organization at SUNY Oneonta. Osterhoudt is secretary of the organization. She also attended a



A Gerald Scheck original

meeting of the SUNY Orientation Directors at SUNY Albany.

Assistant Professor **Gerald Scheck**'s Catskill landscapes are currently featured in an exhibition at the Ink Shop Printmaking Center in Ithaca. The gallery exhibit will be on display through April 30.

Hospitality Management faculty hosted their first Travel and Tourism Educators' Symposium on February 17. The program featured a panel discussion with industry specialists from American Express, New York State Hospitality and Tourism Association, Saratoga County Convention and Tourism Bureau, Liberty Travel, and Delhi's own Associate Professor **Bob Seibert**.

Senior Counselor **Mary Wake** attended the regional meeting of the National Orientation Director's Association in Lake Placid.