**FAMILY WEEKEND 2018**

**WELCOME SUNY POTSDAM FAMILIES!!**

**September 21 & 22, 2018**

**Friday, September 21**

6:45 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.  **Fitness Center.** Maxcy Hall. The Fitness Center will be open for visiting families to use at no charge.

9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  **The College Store** will be open. Barrington Student Union.

4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  **Check-in and Registration Table Open,** Barrington Student Union Fireside Lounge. Be sure to sign in and pick up your family weekend packets.

4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  **Create Your Sign, & Bottle Top Keychains,** Fireside Lounge. Enjoy Photo Booth Fun!

**DINNER**  
**On Your Own.** Available in Lehman Dining Hall, Barrington Student Union Dining Court, or downtown.

7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  **Open Pool,** Maxcy Hall. The pool will be open to all.

9:00 p.m. – 10:45 p.m.  **Family Weekend Movie – Shrek,** Barrington Student Union Dining Court. Join us to watch the movie *Shrek* and create your own picture frames! Sponsored by Office of Campus Life.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**

**BREAKFAST**  
**On Your Own.**

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  **The College Store** will be open. Barrington Student Union.

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  **Check-in and Registration Table Open,** Barrington Student Union Fireside Lounge.

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  **Fitness Center.** Maxcy Hall. The Fitness Center will be open for visiting families to use at no charge.

10:00 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.  **Career Services: Parents as Partners in Career Development**, Kellas 105. This class will focus on empowering parents to support their undergraduate student through the major/career exploration and career planning process. Julie Johnson, Career Coach, with SUNY Potsdam’s Career Services office will be presenting the individual support and tools available to all SUNY Potsdam students and discuss the philosophy behind the “Come Early, Come Often” motto of Career Services. Also discussed will be the many applied learning opportunities that will strengthen a resume and offer a competitive advantage for employment upon graduation. (Maximum 200)
10:00 a.m.– 10:50 a.m. Comic Books and Racial Justice, Kellas 104. Taught by Professor James J. Donahue of the English & Communication Department, students will be introduced to some of the means by which current comic book series address pressing contemporary social justices. Focusing specifically on issues of racial justice, students will be introduced to some of the ways that they writers and artists for Black Panther and Captain Paiute use traditional superhero comics to engage in the larger national discussion of justice for Black and Native Communities, with a particular emphasis on Black Lives Matter and NDPL movements. (Maximum 200)

11:00 a.m.– 1:00 p.m. Build a Bear, BSU Fireside Lounge. Come stuff and decorate your own SUNY Potsdam Bear! Reservations/tickets required. (Maximum 160)

11:00 a.m.–11:50 a.m. Witchcraft & Witch-hunting in Early America, Kellas 105. Taught by Professor Sheila McIntyre. 50 Minutes. How did witch beliefs, Satan, gender, economics, politics, law, speech, and one misguided (and money-hungry) Godly minister all collide in 1692 to create a witchcraft crisis of unprecedented proportions in the Massachusetts Bay colony? (Maximum 200)

11:00 a.m.–11:50 a.m. Remembering Maurice Kenny, Teacher and Poet. Kellas 106. Coordinated by Derek Maus from the English Department. Maurice Kenny taught at SUNY Potsdam for nearly two decades before retiring as Writer-in-Residence in 2011. During an illustrious literary career that spanned six decades, Kenny published more than thirty books and read his work to audiences all over North America and Europe. Although he left this world on April 16, 2016, his publishing career continues at a lively pace. At this event, former students and colleagues of his will read selections from both a tribute anthology (Wild Daisies from the Side of the Road) and from Kenny’s memoir (Angry Rain). Each of these books was published in 2018 and will be available for purchase before and after the reading. 50 minutes.

11:00 a.m.— 12:30 p.m. Igniting Creative Energy: Helping student (and teachers) release their artistic expression, Bishop Hall C107. Presented by Jeffrey Francom and Donald George from the CRANE School of Music. Albert Einstein said, “If what is seen and experienced is portrayed in the language of logic, then it is science. If it is communicated through forms whose constructions are not accessible to the conscious mind but are recognized intuitively, then it is art.” Music—more than just technique, skill, discipline, and hard work—is a creative art. Musicians are taught to be in touch with their minds and bodies in profound and unique ways as they tap creative energy from within. This interactive workshop of movement, song, fun games, role play and speech will also address the hindering effects of music performance anxiety (MPA), as it introduces various techniques (Brain Gym, Kristin Linklater, de Mallet Burgess, Balk, and others) for developing musical creativity. It’s for the beginner as well as the more advanced musician. Wear comfortable clothing. A handout and PowerPoint will be included. 90 minutes.
12:00 p.m.—1:30 p.m. **Workshop in Vocal Performance: A Window Into One Crane Voice Studio,** Wakefield Recital Hall. Taught by Professor Deborah Massell of The Crane School of Music. Dr. Massell will teach six of her Crane voice students in an open, interactive format geared towards helping the audience understand how voice teachers assess and young singers learn. 90 minutes. (Maximum 130)

12:00 p.m.—2:00 p.m. **SUNY Potsdam 7th Annual SUICIDE AWARENESS WALK,** In front of Dunn Hall (Rain Location: TBD). Please join the College Counseling Center for the SUNY Potsdam 7th Annual SUICIDE AWARENESS WALK. Registration starts at 11am outside Dunn Hall. After you register there are numerous ways to honor loved ones from honor beads to tie dying your walk shirt. To register online ahead of time go to potsdam.edu/studentlife/counseling/suicideawareness or walk up the day of the event to register! There is no cost to walk; donations to the Jeffrey Kimball Foundation for Suicide Awareness and Prevention. For more information, or to get involved, please contact Noreen or Gena at the College Counseling Center, 131 Van Housen Hall, 315-267-2330.

**LUNCH**

**On Your Own.** Available at Lehman Dining Hall, Barrington Student Union or downtown.

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **It was 50 Years Ago Today: The Beatles in 1968.** Wakefield Recital Hall. Taught by Professor Douglas Rubio of the Crane School of Music. 1968 was a year of opposites for the Beatles. They produced some of their finest songs, and yet also some of their very worst music. They went on a spiritual journey with an Indian guru, and yet were extremely unhappy as individuals and as a band. This class will explore the music and lives of the Beatles in this seminal year. 90 minutes. (Maximum 130)

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Open Pool,** Maxcy Hall. The pool will be open to all.

2:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m. **Leaning In: Making the Most of Your College Years,** Kellas 105. College is a time where aspects of oneself begin to unveil and you learn how to navigate campus life and the new world of academia. This transition welcomes new experiences and the inevitable lessons of “adulting”. These valuable years of self-discovery can shed light on your future, where you can hold your degree with pride knowing this college stepping stone has formed you a clear and prosperous path. Your self-drive and willingness is what will get you there. How you invest your time is crucial to the outcome of your own personal success. This lecture will center around career development strategies you can begin to utilize in your first year of college and onwards. We will examine how “leaning in” can serve as an ideal route to self-investment. Led by Career Coach, Karen Kus, this session will highlight tips of going beyond surviving college to a state of thriving. 50 Minutes (Maximum 200)
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Playing Games as a Method For Learning.** Kellas 106. Taught by Professor Becky Duprey. It’s a known fact that people learn best when they are engaged. What’s more engaging than playing games? I have created a game, **SUM OF WHICH**, and several sister games that are being played in more than 16 countries and 41 US states. Come play some games and see how quickly you learn. 90 minutes. (Maximum 200)

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Sandy Feldstein Music Industry Roundtable,** Proscenium Theatre. (Maximum 175)

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **President’s Dinner,** Thatcher Hall. $25.00 per person (remember to include your student when purchasing tickets). Reservations/tickets required, limited seating. (Maximum 125)

7:30 p.m. **CPS Concert: Lisa Vroman.** From Broadway to classics, on stage and in concert, Lisa Vroman has established herself as one of America’s most versatile voices. She has been regarded as a “musical and theatrical marvel” by The San Francisco Chronicle, as well as “one of American Musical Theater’s most beautiful voices” by acclaimed Broadway producer Sir Cameron Mackintosh. Among her extensive repertoire, Ms. Vroman starred on Broadway, in San Francisco, and Los Angeles as Christine Daaé in The Phantom of the Opera. Ms. Vroman is a regular guest artist with symphonies including San Francisco, Cleveland, Hong Kong, Philadelphia, Seattle, Atlanta, Detroit, as well as Boston Pops (Keith Lockhart), Philly Pops (Peter Nero), and New York Pops (Carnegie Hall). For tickets, please go to: CPSpotsdam.org.

8:00 p.m. **Completely Stranded, Improve Group,** Dunn Theatre. For unconventional comedy, **Completely Stranded**, Plattsburgh’s Premiere Improv Comedy Troupe, has it in spades. **Completely Stranded,** featuring Merritt Billiter, Jason Borrie, Andrew Ducharme, and Tiana Marrero, perform in the style of the hit television show *Whose Line Is It Anyway?* creating on-the-spot characters and situations from the wacky, unpredictable suggestions of the audience. Playing games such as “Party Quirks,” “Film Theatre, and TV Styles,” and “Sound Effects,” **Completely Stranded** will deliver fully improvised comedy and side-splitting laughs created without a script. This fun-filled, laugh-out-loud group will provide entertainment the whole family will enjoy.

Save the Date for Family Weekend 2019-2020:
September 20 & 21, 2019

Thank you for attending Family Weekend 2018!!