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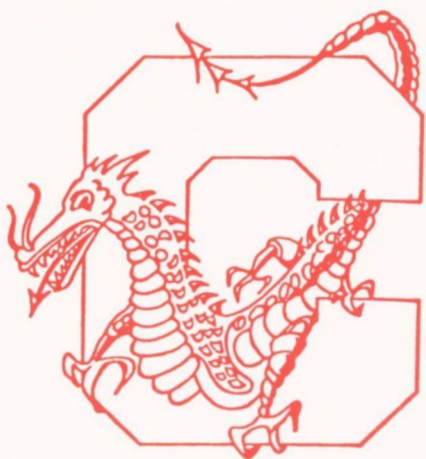
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# CORTLAND STATE SPORTS



WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 1978-79

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### CORTLAND INFORMATION

Founded: 1868

Enrollment: 5,584

Colors: Red and White

Nickname: Red Dragons

Acting President: S. Stewart Gordon

Men's Athletic Director:

Roger Robinson (607/753-4963)

Women's Athletic Director:

Carole Mushier (607/753-4953)

Women's Basketball Coach:

Roger Sipher (607/753-2723)

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# CORTLAND STATE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 1978-79

## VARSITY SCHEDULE

December		
1	Springfield	A 8:00
5	Brooklyn	A 7:00
8	SUNY Buffalo	H 7:00
13	Edinboro	A 8:00
January		
30	Penn State	H 7:00
31	Manf. Hanover Trust	A
	Quarter Finals Upstate	
February		
2	Oneonta	H 7:00
5	Manf. Hanover Inv.	A
	1st Round-Upstate	
6	Syracuse	H 7:00
8	Brockport	A 6:30
10	East Stroudsburg	H 1:00
12	Ithaca	H 7:00
14	Manf. Hanover Inv.	A
	Finals-Upstate	
17-18	U.R.I. & Vermont &	A
	St. John's at U.R.I.	
23-25	NYSIAW State Championship	A
	at Iona	
28	Manf. Hanover Inv. Finals	A
March		
4	AIAW Regional Playoff	H 12:00 &2:00
	Regional Championship	A
9-11	at Northeastern Univ.	-



## ROGER SIPHER

## HEAD COACH

Roger Sipher is in his first season as head coach of the Cortland State women's varsity basketball team during the 1978-79 season. Sipher succeeds the departed Ernest Lanford, who last year guided Cortland to its most successful season ever. The Dragons finished at 17-7 and won their first New York State AIAW Championship.

Sipher is a professor of history and coordinator of secondary social studies with the Cortland State History Department. He received a B.A. degree from Potsdam State and an M.Ed. degree from the University of Rochester. His Ph.D. is from Syracuse University.

Before coming to Cortland 17 years ago, Sipher was the J.V. basketball coach at Williamsville and Liverpool Central Schools. While at Liverpool, he also served as assistant varsity football coach.

A native of Gouverneur the new Cortland coach excelled in basketball during high school and college. He earned All-Northern honors in basketball while at Gouverneur High School and played three years at center for Potsdam State. During his senior year of college, Sipher was elected team captain.

Sipher, who took over the coaching job in a volunteer role, believes that his strong basketball background as well as his teaching experience will assist him in his new position. In addition, Sipher plans to utilize some of his successful teaching techniques to provide a "positive learning experience" on the basketball court.

## 1978-79 SEASON OUTLOOK

Coming off its best season ever, the Cortland State women's basketball team has a tough act to follow. Last year the Dragons roared to a 17-7 season and the New York State Championship. In addition, they finished second in the Manufacturers Hanover Invitational and advanced to the Eastern AIAW semi-finals before being eliminated in the chase for the national crown.

Under new coach Roger Sipher, the Dragons will be rebuilding during the 1978-79 season. Gone from last year's team are five seniors who totaled more than 55 points a game, including two who were drafted by the new Women's Professional Basketball League, Lynda Lyman and Dawn Forster.

Sipher, who is carrying a 16 player squad, believes that all are capable of playing. "Although this is a young and inexperienced squad, it is one of considerable depth and enthusiasm and I expect it to mature into a strong team before the season is over," Sipher said.

Leading the Cortland team will be senior co-captains Lori Slaght and Bev Carter. Slaght, a native of Ithaca, has three previous years of experience at forward for the Dragons. Carter, a 6'0" center from East Douglas, Mass., averaged over 13 points a game last year and led the team in rebounds. She was plagued with knee injuries during pre-season.

In addition to Carter at center, Sipher has three other candidates for the job. They are Ramona Benjamin, a 5'10" junior from Brooklyn who last year shuffled between the varsity and



J.V. teams; Karen Blend, a 6'1" junior transfer from Landing, N.J.; and Beth Davidson, a 5'10" junior transfer from Belvidere, N.J.

Coach Sipher said that he expects Davidson to play both forward and center. "She may be the best shooter on the team," he noted.

Other forwards for the Dragons will include 5'9" Debbie Drabinski, a sophomore from Elmira, 5' 7" Linda Shrauger, a junior from Lisle, and 5'7" Heather Harrington, a sophomore from Olcott. All are returning veterans on the varsity team.

Moving up from the J.V. team of last year are two forward candidates. Both sophomores, they are 5'8" Diane Abrey of Rochester, and 5'9" Mary Ortelee of Pittsford.

Two returning players at the guard posts are Julie Gilmore, a junior from North Greece, and sophomore Mary Anne Jules of Baldwin. Up from the J.V. are sophomore Cheryl Monica of Malone, and sophomore Katie Mooney of Delmar.

Another guard candidate is Elizabeth "Tish" Fahey of West Orange, N.J. She's a transfer from Delta State. The only freshman on the Dragon team is guard Pat Kugler of Argyle, a player with "outstanding potential" according to Sipher.

1977-78 Results: 17 Wins, 7 Losses

<u>CORT.</u>		<u>OPP.</u>
73	West Point	82-
103	Ithaca	58
75	Brooklyn	66
74	Springfield	76-
98	Buffalo+	65
60	Penn State	89-
94	Oneonta	57
107	Cornell	30
77	Ithaca+	59
82	Syracuse	77
93	Brockport	69
74	E. Stroudsburg	67
97	St. John Fisher+	62
44	Ithaca	64-
80	Rhode Island	59
79	Vermont	46
57	Queens+	84-
97	LIU**	53
83	Fordham**	74
71	St. John's**	61
73	Syracuse***	70
61	St. John's***	42
66	Southern Conn.***	70-
61	Providence***	65-

+ Manufacturers Hanover Trust Tournament

\*\*NYSIAW

\*\*\*AIAW East Regionals



## 1977-78 INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS FOR CORTLAND

<u>Player</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Reb.</u>	<u>FG</u>	<u>FT</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Ave.</u>
Dawn Forster	24	74	136	169	40	378	15.8
Lynda Lyman	24	21	217	137	53	327	13.6
*Beverly Carter	22	9	218	122	57	296	13.5
Susan DeKalb	24	70	73	99	19	217	9.0
Sharon Kowalski	24	89	115	94	15	203	8.5
Kathy Solano	20	124	78	71	12	154	7.7
*Debbie Drabinski	19	9	51	26	17	69	3.6
*Julie Gilmore	20	12	21	25	13	64	3.2
*Lori Slaght	22	16	44	26	11	63	2.9
Heather							
* Harrington	16	1	43	14	8	36	2.3
*Linda Shrauger	17	9	26	13	10	36	2.1
*Mary Anne Jules	17	3	7	8	3	19	1.1
Michele Lent	12	3	18	3	0	6	.5
*Ramona Benjamin	16	1	26	3	0	6	.4

\*Returning

## 1977-78 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

The 17 wins were the most ever in a single season for Cortland. The team won its first New York State AIAW championship in its 7th consecutive tournament appearance. The Lady Dragons also advanced to the EIAW final four before being eliminated in the race for the national tournament title. Cortland took second place in the Manufacturers Hanover N.Y.S. Invitational Tournament for the second straight year and Dawn Forster completed her college career with a total of 1,260 points. Forster and Lynda Lyman, who scored 987 points in four years, were drafted by the newly formed Women's Professional Basketball League.

## SERIES RECORD WITH OPPONENTS / 1972-PRESENT

(Cortland wins listed first)

Adelphi	2-1	Maine/Portland	1-0
Brockport	4-3	Mercy College	1-0
Brooklyn	3-2	Oneonta	4-0
Buffalo	3-0	Oswego	3-0
Canisius	1-0	Penn State	0-3
Connecticut	1-0	Providence	0-1
Cornell	5-0	Queens	0-4
E. Stroudsburg	1-5	Rhode Island	3-0
Fordham	1-1	St. John's (NYC)	4-1
Hartwick	4-0	St. John Fisher	2-0
Houghton	1-0	Southern Conn.	0-1
Ithaca	5-6	Springfield	1-2
Lehman	2-2	Syracuse	5-0
LIU	1-0	Vermont	4-0
Lock Haven	1-0	Westchester "B"	1-0
		Wagner	1-0
		West Point	0-1

## WOMEN'S J.V. BASKETBALL SCHEDULE 1978-79

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5	Broome	A 7:00
13	Edinboro	A 9:30
February		
1	Cornell	H 7:00
10	E. Stroudsburg	H 2:30
12	Tompkins-Cortland	H 5:00
27	Tompkins-Cortland	A 6:00

## CAREER SCORING LEADERS

Dawn Forster, 1974-78	1,260
Lynda Lyman, 1974-78	987
Kathy Solano, 1974-78	894
Sue DeKalb, 1974-78	871
Sharon Kowalski, 1976-78	395

## CORTLAND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COACHES AND RECORDS

Nancy Langham, 1971-76	5 Years	48-26	.648
Ernest Lanford, 1976-78	2 Years	28-13	.683

## WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT RECORD AT CORTLAND

1977-78

- 2nd Place, Manufacturers Hanover Invitational
- 1st Place, NYSAIAW
- Semi-Final Round, EIAIW Regional Tournament

1976-77

- 2nd Place, Manufacturers Hanover Invitational
- 5th Place, NYSAIAW Tournament
- Participated in AIAW Regional Tournament

1975-76

- 2nd Place, NYSAIAW Tournament
- Participated in AIAW Regional Tournament

1974-75

- 4th Place, NYSAIAW Tournament
- Participated in AIAW Regional Tournament

1973-74

- 3rd Place, NYSAIAW Tournament

1972-73

- Participated in NYSAIAW Tournament

1971-72

- 2nd Place, NYSAIAW Tournament



## CORTLAND STATE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

1978-79 VARSITY ROSTER

Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown	High School
Abrey, Diane	F	So	5-8	Rochester	Greece Athena
Benjamin, Ramona	C	Jr	5-10½	Brooklyn	W.H. Maxwell
Blend, Karen	C	Jr	6-1½	Landing, NJ	Roxbury
Carter, Beverly	C	Sr	6-0	E. Douglas, MA	Douglas Memorial
Davidson, Beth	F/C	Jr	5-10	Belvidere, NJ	Bernards
Drabinski, Debbie	F	So	5-9	Elmira	Notre Dame
Fahey, Tish	G	Jr	5-5	W. Orange, NJ	St. Xavier Acad.
Gilmore, Julie	G	Jr	5-5	N. Greece	Hilton
Harrington, Heather	F	So	5-7	Olcott	Newfane
Jules, Mary Anne	G	So	5-4	Baldwin	Baldwin
Kugler, Patricia	G	Fr	5-6½	Argyle	Argyle
Monica, Cheryl	G	So	5-6	Malone	Franklin Acad.
Mooney, Katie	G	So	5-6	Delmar	Bethlehem
Ortelee, Mary	F	So	5-9	Pittsford	Pittsford Mendon
Slaght, Lori	F	Sr	5-7	Ithaca	Ithaca
Shrauger, Linda	F	Jr	5-7	Lisle	Whitney Point

Coach: Roger Siphér

Asst. Coach: Sharyn Madison

Manager: Denise Kiser

Trainer: Kathy Koshansky

Co-Captains: Beverly Carter and Lori Slaght

## CORTLAND STATE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

J.V. ROSTER 1978-79

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Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown	High School
Brickwedde, Ellen M.	F	Jr	5-6	Syracuse	Webutuck
Devlin, Kathy	G	Fr	5-2	StatenIsland	Moore Catholic
Dorward, Donna Marie	G	Fr	5-2½	DeRuyter	DeRuyter
Feldman, Julie	G	So	5-2½	Mt. Vernon	Mt Vernon
Gloekler, Ellen	F	Fr	5-6	Amherst	Northwest Catholic
Hathorn, Jan	C	Fr	5-10	Stanley	Marcus Whitman
Kristiansen, Kathryn	F	Fr	5-7	Garrison	James O'Neill
Langworthy, Lisa	G	Fr	5-2	Adams	Belleville
Miller, Debora Ann	G	So	4-11½	Oswego	Oswego
Schaffer, Susan	G	Fr	5-4	Newfane	Newfane
Smith, Kathie	C	Fr	5-7	Rochester	Greece Athena
Sugar, Rene	G	Fr	4-11	Holley	Holley
Templeton, Judy	G	Fr	5-3½	Oswego	Bishop Cunningham
The-Malvoisin, Amanda	F	Fr	5-2½	Long Beach	Long Beach

## STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE AT CORTLAND

Founded in 1868, Cortland has been part of State University of New York since 1948 and has evolved as a college of arts and sciences with a coeducational enrollment of approximately 5,600 undergraduate and graduate students.

The College offers undergraduate programs with more than 40 different majors in professional areas and in liberal arts and sciences. Provision is made for specialization within many of the majors which cover a broad range of interests.

Teacher preparation programs provide a range of opportunities from elementary through secondary education. Health, physical education and recreation programs are nationally recognized. Outdoor education and environmentally related offerings are expanding.

Students have wide selection in off campus field experiences for almost every major. Study abroad opportunities in five European countries are available. New five-year science-engineering majors are now offered in cooperation with SUNY Buffalo, SUNY Stony Brook, Alfred University and Clarkson College of Technology.



## STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK • COLLEGE AT CORTLAND

Founded 1868 • A public college of arts and sciences for men and women in Central New York • Undergraduate and graduate programs offered in arts and sciences, education, health, physical education and recreation • Undergraduate enrollment exceeds 4,500 students • Graduate enrollment near 1,000



### INTERCOLLEGIATE SPORTS AT CORTLAND STATE

**MEN'S:** Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Gymnastics, Hockey, Lacrosse, Skiing, Soccer, Swimming, Tennis, Track and Field — Indoor and Outdoor, Wrestling.

**WOMEN'S:** Basketball, Field Hockey, Golf, Gymnastics, Lacrosse, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Track and Field, Volleyball.