

# OFF-CAMPUS STUDENT UNION NEWSLETTER

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

We've made it through midterms and the end of the fall semester is just around the corner. It seems like the semester has flown by. I hope you all had a chance to attend one or more of our events: Halloween Off-Campus Student Appreciation Day (10/30), Helping You Register (11/6), and the Veteran's Day Letter Writing Campaign (11/11). We have one more event in store for this semester and it's our "Snack and Study" on Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> between 12 PM to 3 PM in the Student Union room 418. There will be free food for off-campus students. You can use the room to study or take a break from studying and meet mingle with other off-campus students, whatever you like to do. We'll make game board available if you need some stress relief.

I hope you have all registered for the Spring 2010 semester and got into the classes you wanted/needed. I'm looking forward to 2010! We'll be having another Off-Campus Student Appreciation Day, so be on the look out for that. If you have any suggestions for events or programs you would like OCSU to sponsor in the fall, please let us know. You pay mandatory activity fees just like everyone else, so voice your opinion in what you would like it to be spent on. You can e-mail us at [NPOCSU@gmail.com](mailto:NPOCSU@gmail.com) or you can join our Facebook group "Off-Campus Student Union (OCSU)" and write on our wall. By joining, you will also be able to stay updated on the current OCSU events and meeting times.

## NP ALERT!

If you're not already signed up for NP Alert, go to [my.newpaltz.edu](http://my.newpaltz.edu), click on the "Student Services" tab, and click the link in the NP Alert box and use your NP login to sign in.

Make sure to add "Off-Campus & Commuter Student" as one of your groups to receive text messages about our events.

If you're interested in getting notifications about Student Activities programs and events, add "New Paltz Student Activities."

You can opt-out at any time.

*Want to be updated on OCSU events and programs?*

*Join our "Off-Campus Student Union (OCSU)" Facebook group:*

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=49631808508>

## New E-Board Members

We felt it would be nice to introduce you to our new executive board members of OCSU and share a little information about them.

**Full Name:**

Kimberly Ryan Perkins

**Position in Club:**

Secretary

**School Year:**

Junior

**Major/Minor:**

International Relations

**Hometown:**

Poughkeepsie

**Random fact you'd like to share:**

I can write with my feet.

**What are your goals for OCSU?**

My goal for the club is to be a strong advocate for my fellow off-campus students. I feel that because there is no longer a common hour during the day, most clubs meet in the evening, which makes it very difficult for commuters that live outside of New Paltz to be involved on campus. I believe the Off Campus Student Union should be the forum where students can be able to share their concerns and ask questions pertinent to non-residents. I'm around campus and I don't bite, so feel free to tap me on the shoulder and bring up any issues you may have!

### IMPORTANT REMINDER!

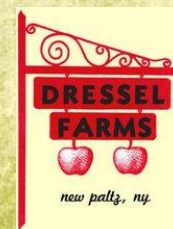
Now that you're registered for courses for the Spring 2010 semester, don't forget to stop by *Student Accounts* to take care of your tuition bill. You don't want to be stuck on the long lines at the beginning of the semester. You can also take care of your bill online at [my.newpaltz.edu](http://my.newpaltz.edu). Click on the "Student Services" tab and then in the "Student Information" window click on "Money", then click on "My Student Account."



*Secretary, Kimberly Perkins*

**OCSU would like to thank Dressel Farms for their large donation of apples and for their delicious cider donuts for our Halloween Off-Campus Student Appreciation Day!**

*Be sure to stop by Dressel Farms for apples and hot cider.*



**Located on 271 State Route 208 in  
New Paltz, NY**

## New E-Board Members

(continued)

*Treasurer,  
Melissa Manning*



**Full Name:**  
Melissa Manning  
**Position in Club:**  
Treasurer  
**School Year:**  
Junior  
**Major/Minor:**  
Early Childhood Education

**Hometown:**  
New Paltz

**Random fact you'd like to share:**  
I love pink.

**What are your goals for OCSU?**

My Goals for OCSU is to make more students aware of the things happening on campus. Being involved in school has always been something I've been a part of. Becoming involved may not be for everyone, but people need a chance to see how much fun it is and new friendships that are built. At New Paltz so many students come in for their classes and head back home. College is a time to go out expand yourself and for the people that did not go away to school this is the opportunity to enjoy college life. OCSU needs more supporters to show the campus the fees we pay for on campus housing needs to be put back into us. Many students on this campus live off campus especially due to limited housing and no transfer housing. So everyone become involved and it will sure be a fun journey for the rest of your schooling here!

*Public Relations,  
Katie Gross*



**Full Name:**  
Katie Elizabeth Gross  
**Position in Club:**  
Public Relations  
**School Year:**  
Junior  
**Major/Minor:**  
Early Childhood Education- English

**Hometown:**  
Plattekill

**Random fact you'd like to share:**  
I love to scrapbook and be creative!

**What are your goals for OCSU?**

My goal for the club is to get off campus students involved in whats going on around campus! there is so much, and sometimes it is very hard to get involved, but i feel it is so important! We all have so much fun with this group! Fun ideas have been shared and planned out for future events and we are always looking for new ideas! New friendships and strong bonds have been made with this club! I feel that it is a great opportunity to get involved, have fun, and just take some time to relax and be with friends after a long day of classes! Come join this awesome club and find out for yourself! :)

*Be sure to check out the Evenst Calendar for current events and programs sponsored by other organizations on campus at the New Paltz Student Association website:*

[www.newpaltzsa.com](http://www.newpaltzsa.com)

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## Upcoming Event: SNACK & STUDY!

Come just us on Study Day to mingle with fellow off-campus students, relax  
before finals, and enjoy some FREE FOOD!

**Tuesday, December 8th from 12 - 3 PM in Student Union Room 418**

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*Happy Holidays and a  
Happy New Year!*

*From the OCSU  
Executive Board*



**To:**  
Off-Campus Student

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