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HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND RUTGERS UNIVERSITY - NEWARK SIGN DUAL ADMISSION PROGRAM AGREEMENT

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) graduates will have yet another option available to them for attaining a bachelor's degree, as the College has entered into a dual-admissions program with Rutgers University - Newark (RU-N).

HCCC and RU-N signed the letter of intent for the program on Wednesday, April 8, 2015. Hudson County Community College President Glen Gabert, Ph.D. was joined by Rutgers University - Newark Chancellor Nancy Cantor, Ph.D.

The agreement will facilitate the seamless transfer of HCCC students who graduate with an associate degree to RU-N with full junior status. The agreement will also provide for a "reverse transfer" agreement, whereas RU-N students who wish to, may transfer to HCCC to attain their associate degree, even after they have graduated from RU-N.

Other provisions of the agreement call for providing prospective academic advisement and financial aid counseling for students considering transfer from HCCC to RU-N, continued support for HCCC students after transferring to RU-N, and exploring the possibility of joint fundraising for scholarship support of students transferring to RU-N.

Dr. Gabert noted that the letter of intent builds upon an established relationship with Rutgers University - Newark that has included other collaborative and articulation agreements.



Pictured are seated from left: Dr. Glen Gabert, President of Hudson County Community College and Dr. Nancy Cantor, Chancellor of Rutgers University - Newark. Standing from left: Dr. Paula P. Pando, HCCC Vice President for North Hudson Center and Student Affairs; Dr. Eric Friedman, HCCC Vice President for Academic Affairs; Christopher Wahl, HCCC Dean of Arts & Sciences; and John J. Gunkel, Vice Chancellor, Academic Programs and Services, Rutgers University - Newark.

"Over the years, we have worked together with Rutgers University - Newark to provide HCCC students with ways of attaining a baccalaureate degree that will lead to a more secure future," Dr. Gabert stated. "This dual admission agreement will make it easier for our students to attain their bachelor's degrees in Art, Biology, Business, Computer Arts,

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HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR 2015 COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) President Glen Gabert, Ph.D. announced that the College will hold its 37th Annual Commencement Exercises on Thursday, May 21, 2015 at New Jersey Performing Arts Center's Prudential Hall in Newark, NJ. The festivities will begin at 6:00 that evening.

Dr. Gabert said that 907 students are scheduled to receive their degrees that evening.

The keynote speaker will be Nicole Sardinas, DNP(c), MSN, RN, CCRN, Director of Nursing Education at Jersey City Medical Center - Barnabas Health. Mrs. Sardinas earned her Associate in Science Degree in Nursing in 2006 at HCCC, through the partnership with Christ Hospital School of Nursing.

The Hudson County Heritage Award recognizes members of the community who have made significant

contributions to the College, its students and families. This 2015 award will be presented to Joseph Napolitano, Sr.

The invocation at this year's event will be led by Sr. Roseann Mazzeo, Executive Director of WomenRising, an organization that assists women and their families in achieving self-sufficiency and enabling them to live safe, fulfilling, and productive lives.

Additional details about the HCCC 2015 Commencement Exercises will be made available within the next few weeks.



Nicole Sardinas
2015 Commencement Speaker

PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY NEWS

Hudson County Community College Vice President for Academic Affairs Honored with Phi Theta Kappa Distinguished College Administrator Award

Dr. Eric Friedman, Vice President for Academic Affairs at Hudson County Community College (HCCC), has been awarded Phi Theta Kappa's prestigious Distinguished College Administrator Award.

The Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society honored Dr. Friedman and 22 other leaders at a reception and dinner on Friday, April 17, 2015 at the San Antonio Marriott Rivercenter. The event was part of 97th Annual Convention, NerDNation, where Society advisors and students are also recognized for chapter and student success.

The Distinguished College Administrator Award is presented to college vice presidents, deans, or leaders other than college presidents/CEOs, who serve in an administrative role, and have demonstrated a strong level of support for Phi Theta Kappa and student success during their tenure.

"I am deeply honored to be recognized by an organization so committed to providing leadership opportunities to community college students," stated Dr. Friedman.



Dr. Eric Friedman, Vice President for Academic Affairs at Hudson County Community College, displays his Phi Theta Kappa Distinguished College Administrator Award, received in April during the Society's Annual Convention in San Antonio, Texas.



Members and officers of Beta Alpha Phi chapter, an officer of Chi Iota chapter, and an advisor of Alpha Epsilon Phi, attended the Phi Theta Kappa Annual Convention in San Antonio, Texas. Pictured at the April 18 banquet are: Standing: Fernando Sanchez (Vice President), Daniel Ruiz (Treasurer), Prof. Theodore Lai, Advisor, Franklin Beeg (President), Gary Wood (President, Chi Iota Chapter, Burlington County College). Seated: Ingrid Cooper (Vice President of Scholarship), Mayra Gomez (Secretary), Tatiana Boyd (Vice President of Leadership), and Professor Win Win Kyi (Advisor, Alpha Epsilon Phi Chapter, Bergen Community College).

Dr. Friedman has served as Vice President for Academic Affairs at HCCC since 2011, and was Dean of Community Education at the College from 2007 to 2011. He brings to his position valuable experience from previous roles in higher education administration, teaching and research in the humanities and so-

cial sciences, as well as foundational experience from an early career in hospitality management.

Dr. Friedman earned his Ph.D. from the New School for Social Research, his Master's degree from

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CENTER FOR BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY NEWS



Picture on Left: CBI staff at Guttenberg Arts: (left to right) Aneeqa Saeed, Mayelin Torres, Catherina Mirasol, Caitlin Masley-Charlet (Guttenberg Arts), Matt Barteluce (Guttenberg Arts), Djadji Sylla.

Pictured on Right: April 7 Lunch & Learn- Career Pathways in Nursing moderator and panelists from left to right: Mary Cataudella and Panelists Beverly Dow-Graffeo, Judy Dundon, Clarice Maala, Thomas Ross.



CBI staff visited Guttenberg Arts on March 26, in the second location of a series of monthly visits to significant sites in Hudson County. Nestled in a residential neighborhood on Jackson Street, Guttenberg Arts is "dedicated to promoting the visual arts by providing practicing artists with the space and time to develop their work while engaging with the public" (Guttenberg Arts website). Then on April 14, staff attended the Enhancing Life Tour at Jersey City Medical Center – Barnabas Health. The tour highlighted areas that best demonstrated the Medical Center's mission to serve the community – 911 Emergency Call Center, Emergency Department, and Neonatal ICU.

On April 1, Ana Chapman-McCausland and Catherine Mirasol attended the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Conference in

Mercer County. WIOA was signed into law by President Obama in July 2014 and is "designed to help job seekers access employment, education, training, and support services to succeed in the labor market and to match employers with the skilled workers they need to compete in the global economy" (US Department of Labor website).

The following day, staff attended Jersey City Employment and Training Program's prisoner re-entry conference titled "The Prisoner's Story." The conference featured panelists from religious groups, the healthcare field, advocate groups, and the formerly incarcerated. Mike Tyson, whose life story is about second chances, was one of the afternoon keynote speakers.

CBI held a Lunch & Learn panel discussion on April 7 titled Career Pathways in Nursing, followed by a Health Fair for Hudson County Community College staff. This was done as part of a weeklong series of events in celebration of Health Care Industry Week. Panelists were Beverly Dow-Graffeo (LPN), Judy Dundon (LPN), Thomas Ross (MS, RN, CCRC), and Clarice Maala (APN). The discussion was moderated by Mary Cataudella, the Vice President of Human Resources at Jersey City Medical Center – Barnabas Health. In May, the Lunch & Learn will be a panel discussion focusing on non-profits.

32BJ and CBI offered High School Equivalency in Spanish for the first time. The class started on April 11 and is currently running as part of 32BJ's Spring 2015 trimester.

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2015 STANDARD MILEAGE RATE FOR TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

The Internal Revenue Service has published new standard mileage rates for business expenses for the new calendar year.

As of Jan. 1, 2015, the standard mileage rates for the use of your personal vehicle for business travel is 57.5 cents per mile for business miles driven

The new rate is slightly higher than the rate for 2014.

Please use this rate when completing travel expense reports when using your personal vehicle for College-related travel.

Note: This does not apply to travel commute from home to work.

SUMMER HOURS 2015

Hudson County Community College President Dr. Glen Gabert is authorizing a summer hour schedule beginning Monday, May 18, 2015 and ending on Friday, August 14, 2015. The regular hours of operation during this time will be 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. The College will not be open for regular business on Fridays during this period. Employees are expected to reduce their lunch breaks to 30 minutes to compensate for the shorter hours of operation during the week. College activities on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays during this period will be minimized to reduce energy and other operating costs. The College will go back to the regular five-day work week on Monday, August 17.

The success and continuation of the summer hour schedule really depends on you. Every activity at the College directly or indirectly supports instruction and student services. The future of HCCC depends in large part on the continuing strength of our enrollments.

I know that you agree that a four-day summer schedule should not and need not result in a cutback in services. It is important that offices are open at 8:30 a.m. and stay open until 5:30 p.m. on Monday through Thursday. This means that employees need to be at their workstations.

If you have questions about this schedule, or if you want to use vacation or personal days to work a schedule other than 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., please contact the Human Resources Office.

PROMOTIONS

*Ana Chapman-McCausley,
Dean of Non-Traditional Programs*

*Yeurys Pujols,
Executive Director of North Hudson
Higher Education Center*

NEW HIRES

*Heather DeVries,
College Lecturer, Humanities*

*Shawn O'Neill,
Associate Director, Student Financial Assistance*

*Pegah Sorour,
Secretary, STEM*

*Mayelin Torres,
Coordinator, Evening, Weekend and
Off-Site Programs*

JOBS

Applicants are now being sought for the following positions:

Accountant - (Controller's Office)

Administrative Assistant

Admissions Recruiter

Assessment Coordinator

Assistant Controller

Associate Dean for Research and Planning

Director of Career Development

Director of Health Related Programs

Director of the Conference Center

Director of Contracts & Procurement

English Instructor

*Executive Administrative Assistant
(VP for Administrative Services)*

Enrollment Support Assistant (Admissions Office)

Executive Director of Human Resources

Full-Time Faculty (5 positions)

History Instructor

Manager of Purchasing Services

Romance Languages Instructor

Senior Maintenance Mechanic

Speech and Humanities Instructor

Student Financial Aid Assistant

Tutoring Coordinator

USDOL TAACCCT Grant Coordinator

To apply, please submit a letter of application, resume, salary requirements, & three references to:

**Hudson County
Community College
Human Resources Department
70 Sip Avenue, Third Floor
Jersey City, NJ 07306
resumes@hccc.edu**

Applicants for instructor and adjunct positions must submit transcripts.

For more information, please visit the New Jersey Higher Education Recruitment Consortium website at www.njherc.org, the Higher-EdJobs.com website at www.higheredjobs.com, www.latinoshighered.com or contact the Human Resources Department at (201) 360-4070. For a detailed description of these positions, please visit the "Jobs @ HCCC" page at www.hccc.edu.

NOTICE ON GRANT SUBMISSIONS

Please be advised that the Hudson County Community College Grants Office is the central repository for all grants awarded and submitted. With that said, all grant proposals, regardless of the size and scope of the proposed program, must be vetted by and submitted through the Grants Office.

Grant Initiation Forms can be found on the Grants Office portal page, as well as in the link below, or you can call or email Ryan Martin at (201) 360-4024 or remartin@hccc.edu; or Nydia James at (201) 360-4024 or njames@hccc.edu.

<https://myhudson.hccc.edu/facultystaff/grants/Pages/default.aspx>

RETIREMENT

Alus Green (effective 6/30/15)

MILESTONES

*Congratulations to the following
on their anniversary with
Hudson County Community College!*

One Year

Robert Kahn
Tammy Hunter
Lilisa Williams

Foundation Art Collection

The Hudson County Community College Foundation Art Collection, which includes artworks in media from painting and sculpture, photographs, American craft pottery, and ephemera, reveals aspects of America's and New Jersey's rich artistic and cultural history from the Hudson River School period to today. In recent years, the College's acquisition efforts have focused on strengthening its American and New Jersey modern, and contemporary collections.

Each month, this page in HCCC Happenings provides updates on artists whose work is in the collection, and new additions to the collection.

Donor Acknowledgements

Thank you to Prof. Elaine Foster for the generous donation of the oil painting *August Study* (2007) by Prof. Laurie Riccadonna. This is the 500th work of art donated to the Foundation Art Collection.

Artist News

The work of **Charles Burwell**, whose lithograph *Labyrinth #4* is installed at the 2 Enos Place Testing Center on the lower level, will be at an exhibit at the Bridgette Mayer Gallery, 709 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, in a show called "Layering Constructs: Margo Allman, Charles Burwell, Antonio Puri," on view through Aug. 2, 2015.

The Foundation Art Collection has "Maui: Sugar Plantation," a work by **Joyce Kozloff**, installed in the faculty reception area on the seventh floor of the North Hudson Higher Education Center. DC Moore Gallery at 535 West 22nd Street #2, New York City presented "Joyce Kozloff: Maps + Patterns" through April 25. This exhibition of new mixed media work synthesized Kozloff's interest in the meaning of maps with the forms of the Pattern and Decoration painting she pioneered in the 1970s. Concurrently on view was the exhibit, "Joyce Kozloff: Social Studies," which was mixed media works based on vintage French schoolroom



maps, at the French Institute Alliance Française, 22 East 60th Street, NYC, also through April 25.

Franc Palaia, whose work *Circo Italiano* is installed on the second floor hallway of 119 Newkirk Street, was in an exhibit at City Life Gallery, 125 1st Street, Jersey City, through April 26.

If you like **Joan Snyder's** work, *Oasis*, which is installed in the Academic Affairs reception area at 70 Sip Avenue, you might enjoy seeing her show



Hudson County Community College has dedicated to retiring Professors **Joan Rafter** and **Elaine Foster** works of their choosing as a way of expressing thanks for years of fine service to the College. Dr. Joan Rafter selected *The Doorway* by Will Barnett (left), installed on the fifth floor corridor of the Culinary Conference Center. Prof. Elaine Foster chose *Here Come Moses*, a Faith Ringgold print (above).

of new paintings, called "Sub Rosa," at Franklin Parrasch Gallery through June 20. The gallery is at 53 East 64th Street in Manhattan.

If you like the portraits of Priscilla the dachshund in the new Library Building and in 168 Sip, you might enjoy watching this video where the artist, **Mickalene Thomas**, talks about her inspiration, photographer Seydou Keita: <http://artdaily.com/?date=04/11/2015#video>

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO HOST PANEL DISCUSSIONS ON WORKS CREATED BY CONTEMPORARY NEW JERSEY ARTISTS

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) invites the members of the community to attend two free panel discussions – one on contemporary art and the other on mid-20th century art. Both are part of "The Changing Scene of Contemporary Art in New Jersey," a mini-series sponsored by the College's Cultural Affairs Task Force, and made possible by a grant from the New Jersey Council for the Humanities, a State partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The discussions – which will be held in the HCCC Culinary Conference Center – will provide a context for works included in the HCCC Foundation Art Collection. The Culinary Conference Center is located at 161 Newkirk Street in Jersey City – just two blocks from the Journal Square PATH Station. Seating is limited and reservations may be made by contacting Clifford Brooks at (201) 978-5720 or cbrooks@hccc.edu.

The first panel discussion, "Facing the Dilemmas of the World: New Jersey Contemporary Artists," is scheduled for Thursday, May 7, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. The discussion will feature artists Eric Avery, M.D., Valeri Larko and Barbara Madsen, and will explore themes such as gender- and race-equality, and religious, social, and political issues, which transcend time, culture, and civilization.

The other discussion, "The Fluxus Movement: ½ Century Late," will take place on Friday, May 8, 2015 at 11 a.m., and will feature Professors Gerry Beegan and Donna Gustafson. It will focus on the cross-disciplinary nature of the Fluxus Movement (also referred to as the New Brunswick School of Art), its role in the humanities and its influence. (The HCCC Foundation Art Collection includes ten works by Fluxus artists, including Marcel Duchamp, Yoko Ono, and Carolee Schneemann.)

The HCCC Cultural Affairs Task Force was established by the College's Board of Trustees and administration to provide the College with guidance and assistance in determining goals centered around several issues, including guidelines and suggestions for cultural programming and events that should be supported by the College.

Any views, finding, conclusions or recommendations expressed in these panel discussions do not necessarily represent those of the National Endowment for the Humanities, the New Jersey Council for the Humanities, Hudson County Community College, the College's Foundation or the HCCC Cultural Affairs Task Force.

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HCCC PANEL DISCUSSIONS BY CONTEMPORARY NEW JERSEY ARTISTS

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About the panelists:

Dr. Eric Avery worked as a consulting psychiatrist, specializing in the treatment of HIV and AIDS. Throughout his life, he made relief prints with themes that frequently relate to sexuality, the human body, and issues surrounding the treatment of HIV and AIDS. His works may be found in the Smith College Art Museum, Baltimore Art Museum, Fogg Art Museum at Harvard University, Firestone Library at Princeton University, The Library of Congress, to name but a few venues.

Valeri Larko, a native of New Jersey, is renowned for her densely painted landscapes of decaying and abandoned structures in America's urban centers and their stories. Ms. Larko's paintings have been exhibited in The Morris Museum (Morristown, NJ), the Hunterdon Art Museum (Clinton, NJ), The New Jersey State Museum, Safe-T-Gallery (Brooklyn, NY), Bronx River Art Center (NY), and Visual Arts Center of New Jersey (Summit, NJ). In 2000, Ms. Larko was commissioned to paint a major mural for the Seacaus Transfer Station, the largest train station in New Jersey.

Barbara Madsen is best known for her works in installation, sculpture, photography, and video. Her vast collections of cast-off 20th century industrial matter inspire her work, which depicts a world gone awry. An associate professor of art at the Mason Gross School of the Arts at Rutgers University, Ms. Madsen's videos have been broadcast in Germany, France and Italy, and her works have been exhibited in Europe, Asia, the Middle East and the United States.

Professor Gerry Beegan is a writer, curator, and designer whose research explores the relationships between art, design, media, and audience. In 2008, he published a book, *The Mass Image*, and his criticism and research have appeared in many magazines and journals.

Donna Gustafson, Ph.D., is currently the Andrew W. Mellon Liaison for Academic Programs and Curator at the Zimmerli Art Museum at Rutgers University. She is also an instructor for the Rutgers Early College Humanities program, and has held several museum positions, including Curator and Chief Curator at the American Federation of Arts. Dr. Gustafson has published widely on American and contemporary art, and presented papers and lectures at the Whitney Museum of American Art and Cooper-Hewitt Museum of Design. She was also co-chair of a College Art Association Fluxus panel.

LIFE AND WORK OF THE NUNS OF THE BLUE CHAPEL HIGHLIGHTED IN HUDSON ROOTS FEATURE

Clifford J. Brooks, Assistant to the President for Cultural Affairs at Hudson County Community College, is the author of "Nuns of the Blue Chapel," an article which was published in *Hudson Roots*, a newsletter of the Hudson County Genealogical & Historical Society, and an excerpt of which appears below. Please visit <http://hudsoncountynjgenealogy.org/hudson-roots/2015/04/12/the-blue-chapel/> for the full text of the article.

The Hudson County Community College Foundation (HCCC) Art Collection contains over 800 items on display in the College's buildings. Among the most significant components on the collection is a permanent exhibit of work in different media by four nuns titled "Artwork of the Nuns at the Blue Chapel in Union City, 1930s-1990s," which can be visited at the HCCC North Hudson Higher Education Center (NHHEC) during open hours on the seventh floor of the Union City facility located at 4800 Kennedy Blvd.

Included among the items permanently on display are paintings, drawings, and cards by Sister Mary of the Compassion, O.P., considered by many to be one of the greatest Dominican artists of the 20th century. All works were formerly in private collections.

Woodblock prints and cards by Sister Mary Gemma of Jesus Crucified, O.P. attest to the Blue Chapel's consistent policy of using the innate talents of community members to assist in the monastery's financial support. Sister died on Aug. 28, 2012, soon after seeing her framed work that is displayed in this exhibit. Other works on view include oils by Sister Mary Hyacinthe, O.P. and Sister Mary Imelda, O.P.

Since the departure of the remaining Nuns in 2009, efforts at preservation and obtaining landmark status have caused researchers to unearth facts about the land, building, and décor that even the Sisters still alive did not know. This exhibit, however, is not about the physical edifice, but about the world that existed within. It looks at four Nuns, all artists in their own right, who

were members of a thriving community of female religious that included over the years four organists, two carpenters, a number of seamstresses, nurses, cooks, shoe makers, accountants, writers, and even sisters with boiler licenses. In short, the Blue Chapel was its own autonomous community, a microcosm of the world around it, self-sufficient and completely run by a large group of dedicated women who entered the enclosure not to escape from the world, but to make it better through their prayer and good works.

It is important, however, for the viewers of this exhibit to know just a bit about the women whom they will meet through their artwork. Each made a choice to become a Roman Catholic cloistered nun, who unlike an "active" sister who teaches or nurses the sick, chooses to remain inside a cloister or enclosure for the rest of her life. Most cloistered nuns take solemn vows and live in monasteries, not convents. Prior to the Second Vatican Council (in the 1960s), once they entered and decided to remain within, they would not go out even to their family's funerals. Their days were organized for prayer, work, and short recreational periods. Inside of the monastery, one could find two well-stocked libraries, an infirmary for the sick and dying, a dental office complete with a standard dental chair and drill, industrial quality washers and dryers, and workrooms of every kind. The Sisters had to earn their own money through their handiwork or donations. Some older Union City residents still remember the "extern" sisters (sisters who did the shopping and external work for the others who remained inside) taking out a horse and cart to collect food and materials from local merchants.

Note: The Monastery of the Dominican Sisters of Perpetual Rosary, known as the Blue Chapel, is located at 605 14th Street in Union City. Erected between 1912 and 1915, the 1.3 acre Gothic complex is surrounded by 12-foot high bluestone walls. Founded by Father Damien Marie Saintourens, a French Dominican priest, the Monastery was the cloistered home to a group of Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary from its founding until it closed in 2009.

NEWLY TENURED FACULTY

The criteria for tenure include excellence in teaching, in scholarly achievement, in community service to the College and in the fulfillment of professional responsibilities. The following have been recommended for tenure effective academic year 2015-2016:



- **Claudia Delgado** is an instructor in Academic Foundations Math. In addition to her commendable teaching, Claudia has made significant contributions to student learning outside of the classroom. She accompanied a student to the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities Quiz Bowl. In line with the New Jersey Council of County Colleges' Big Idea and the HCCC Academic Affairs strategic goal of transforming developmental education, she has been instrumental in establishing innovation in Academic Foundations Math. Claudia has also remained active in College governance, Academic Affairs Committee, Periodic Review Report, and Developmental Math Advisory Board. Claudia personifies a belief that she articulated in her letter to the Tenure Committee: students are quick to discern a caring teacher from one who is simply knowledgeable.



- **Christopher Drew** is an instructor of Criminal Justice. Currently, he is developing curriculum for a Homeland Security degree. This development includes work that would partner HCCC with Middlesex County College and New Jersey City University in a Title V cooperative grant application. Chris is currently working toward his doctorate at NJCU.



- **Dr. Velino Joasil** is an instructor in Biology. Students and colleagues often note his energy and infectious enthusiasm. Velino has served on the Curriculum and Instruction Committee and as the Chair of Academic Affairs Committee. Emblematic of his commitment to student learning outside of the classroom, Velino also serves as the faculty advisor to the Biology Club.

HCCC ADMINISTRATORS UNDERGO VAWA TRAINING

In 2013, President Obama signed into federal law the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 (VAWA), which is aimed at improving how colleges and universities in the United States address sexual violence. This new law imposes obligations for colleges and universities to revise their policies and practices to comply with new regulations that address and prohibit acts of violence, such as sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking, and it clarifies the rights of victims.

On April 8 and 9, a Hudson County Community College delegation participated in a Title IX certification course at Mercer County Community College alongside colleagues from the other 18 New Jersey community colleges. The course was presented by The National Center for Higher Education Risk Management. The HCCC delegation included Paula Gonzalez, Human Resources Manager; Yeury Pujols, Director of Enrollment and Student Services (North Hudson Center); Rafael Nivar, Director of Campus Safety and Security; Michael Reimer, Dean of Student Services; Lilisa Williams, Assistant to the Vice President for Academic Affairs; and Veronica Zeichner, Chief Financial Officer.



Pictured from left: Rafael Nivar, Director of Campus Safety and Security; Paula Gonzalez, Human Resources Manager; Yeury Pujols, Director of Enrollment and Student Services (North Hudson Center); Veronica Zeichner, Chief Financial Officer; Lilisa Williams, Assistant to the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Michael Reimer, Dean of Student Services.

NOTIBREVES

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FIRMÓ ACUERDO DE DOBLE ADMISIÓN CON RUTGERS UNIVERSITY-NEWARK

Los graduados de Hudson County Community College tendrán una opción más para obtener sus grados de bachiller, ya que la Universidad ha iniciado un programa de doble admisión con Rutgers University – Newark (RU-N). La firma de este acuerdo se llevó a cabo el pasado Miércoles, 8 de Abril, donde el Dr. Glen Gabert, Presidente de HCCC estuvo acompañado de la Canciller de Rutgers University – Newark Nancy Cantor, Ph.D.

El acuerdo facilitará la transferencia de estudiantes de HCCC, que se gradúen con un grado de asociado, a RU-N con estatus de junior (tercer año). El acuerdo también proveer un transferencia en reverso” en la cual estudiantes de RU-N pueden transferir a HCCC a obtener sus grados de asociado, aun cuando ya se hayan graduado de RU-N.

Otras provisiones del acuerdo son las de proveer consejería académica y consejería de asistencia financiera para estudiantes que estén considerando transferencia a RU-N, y explorar las posibilidades de recaudación de fondos en conjunto, para becas que ayuden a estudiantes que transfieran a RU-N.

El Dr. Gabert, hizo notar que este acuerdo proviene de las relaciones ya establecidas con RU-N que han incluido otros acuerdos de articulación y colaboraciones.

“A través de los años, hemos trabajado con Rutgers University – Newark para proveer a estudiantes de HCCC de maneras de obtener sus bachilleratos, que los llevará a un futuro más exitoso,” dijo el Dr. Gabert. “Este acuerdo de doble admisión permitirá que nuestros estudiantes obtengan sus grados de bachiller en Artes, Biología, Negocios, Artes de Computador, Justicia Criminal, Inglés, Estudios Ambientales, Administración Pública, y Teatro.”

La Canciller de RU-N Nancy Cantor, ve metas múltiples y comunes a alcanzarse con esta extensa relación con HCCC: “Esta asociación expande significativamente y fortalece, las rutas de educación entre las dos instituciones. Facilitando la transición mediante acuerdos de articulación y empleando mecanismos innovadores en asistencia financiera y completación de grados, refleja un elemento clave de nuestro plan estratégico, de invertir en colaboraciones con instituciones anclas, incrementando el acceso a la obtención de grados en RU-N, a bajo costo, para estudiantes de nuestra región. También habla directamente de nuestra

prioridad nacional de incrementar las oportunidades de obtener un grado universitario.”

El Dr. Gabert dijo además que la Junta de Administradores de Hudson County Community College, aprobó una recomendación de proveer de becas a Rutgers University – Newark, con la creación de la Beca Debra y Marvin Greenberg Rutgers Scholarship. Esta medida amerita que la administración de HCCC iguale la adjudicación de la Fundación de HCCC para la beca, que será dada a estudiantes graduados de HCCC que asistirán a Rutgers University – Newark, de \$2,500 cada año, por dos años.

Marvin Greenberg, se retiró como Vicepresidente Ejecutivo de Rutgers University en 1992. Luego trabajando con el Dr. Glen Gabert (en aquel entonces nuevo Presidente de HCCC) en el desarrollo de un plan estratégico para Hudson County Community College, titulado “Blueprint for the Future (Plan para el Futuro), que contenía direcciones básicas que se convertirían en el renacimiento de HCCC. Luego de completar este proyecto Greenberg y su esposa Debra establecieron un endorso en Rutgers para proveer apoyo a graduados de HCCC que asistan a Rutgers University – Newark.

Estudiantes A Graduarse: Cuéntenos Su Historia!

Hudson County Community College está en busca de historias interesantes acerca de nuestros destacados alumnos a graduarse, para utilizarlas en la publicidad de la próxima ceremonia de Graduación así como materiales de publicidad en general.

El Departamento de Comunicaciones de HCCC estará complacido en escuchar a cualquier estudiante, que esté dispuesto a tener contacto con la prensa durante la temporada de Graduación. Algunos ejemplos de historias incluyen:

Para más información contacte al Departamento de Comunicaciones al (201) 360-4060 o communications@hccc.edu.

- *Estudiantes de 50 años de edad o mayores*
- *Sirvieron en las Fuerzas Armadas*
- *Conexiones familiares (parentesco con personal o alumnos de HCCC)*
- *Miembros de la misma familia graduándose juntos*
- *“Contra toda adversidad” (obtención de su título a pesar de alguna dificultad)*

Además nos gustaría resaltar a participantes de clases inaugurales de uno de nuestros más nuevos programas! Por favor considere compartir su historia con nosotros!

ALL COLLEGE COUNCIL STEERING COMMITTEE 2015-17



Pictured from left: Brian Plunkett, Alison Bach, Denise Rossilli.

Congratulations to Hudson County Community College's newly elected All College Council Steering Committee for 2015-2017:

Chair - Denise Rossilli

Vice Chair - Alison Bach

Secretary - Brian Plunkett

APPLICATION PERIOD FOR HUDSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP TO OPEN MAY 1

Each year, the Hudson County Executive and the Board of Chosen Freeholders will fund merit- and need-based scholarships that will provide support for tuition and fees to students pursuing an HCCC degree on a full-time basis. Each scholarship is renewable for up to six semesters (three years), provided the applicant remains in good academic standing.

Scholarship Guidelines and Eligibility Requirements

- Applicants must reside in Hudson County to be considered for scholarship eligibility. Currently enrolled students may apply.
- Applicants must meet the standard admission requirements set forth by the College (see HCCC catalog).
- Applicants must enroll as full-time students at Hudson County Community College.
- Applicants must submit a financial aid application to the College, although it is not a requirement to submit the form to the state or federal government.
- Scholarship recipients must maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.75 to maintain scholarship eligibility. Should a student's GPA fall below the minimum requirement, s/he will have a one-semester grace period to bring the GPA up to the required minimum. Should the student fail to bring the GPA up to the required minimum at the end of the grace period, the student will lose scholarship eligibility.

This scholarship may not be applied to prior balances.

Applications may be submitted beginning on May 1. The annual deadline for complete scholarship applications is Aug. 1st. (Should that date fall on a day when the College is closed, the deadline will be the first day that the College is open after Aug. 1).

For more information, please visit <http://www.hccc.edu/GovernmentScholarship>.

CENTER FOR BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY NEWS

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CBI will celebrate its 15-year anniversary on June 25. To commemorate the occasion, CBI will hold a job fair and a luncheon in the afternoon.

Get free training for your business!

Your business may be eligible for free training. CBI is currently enrolling for Spring 2015. Offerings include Sales Skills Boot Camp, Problem Solving, Supervisory Skills, and Management Skills. If you are interested in more information, please contact Catherine Mirasol at cmirasol@hccc.edu or (201) 360-4241.

CBI 2015 Calendar of Events

May

Tuesday, May 5: Lunch and Learn - Nonprofit

Friday, May 8: Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism Industry Week Event

June

Thursday, June 25:

CBI 15th Anniversary Celebration



Girls in Technology Student Display Contestants. (Photo courtesy of J. Foster Imagery)



Girls in Technology panelists (from left to right): Courtney Payne (HCCC Chef Instructor), Sonaliz Morel (New Jersey City University Director of Annual Fund & Alumni Programs), Karen Richards (Technology & Entrepreneurship Talent Network Manager), Pamela Scully (HCCC Chief Information Officer), Ana Milady Valle (Dow Jones Information Security). (Photo courtesy of J. Foster Imagery)



Girls in Technology Opening Speaker Essay Winner Heidi Elashal with her parents. (Photo courtesy of J. Foster Imagery)

ESL BLISS AT THE THEATER – A TRIP TO NEW YORK CITY

by Patrizia Barroero

“What is going to happen now?” said the actress at the end of Katherine Mansfield’s *Bliss*, at the Clarion Theater in New York City on Thursday, March 26. That was a line in the script of this adaptation, but also the question that the presenter asked the attentive and amused audience in the theater – entirely made of ESL students and chaperones like myself.

“Maybe she will leave her husband,” one student said from the audience.

“She should leave her husband. He is with another woman!” another student said, indignant.

“Divorce him!” shouted others in the audience, amused and outraged.

At the end of the performance, students were also given the chance to ask the actors, still in character, questions. Bertha Young, the protagonist of *Bliss*, seems happy with her married and social life until she finds out that her husband has been cheating on her with one of her guests at her dinner party.

“Divorce?...” was the character’s dubious answer, among the laughs and protests of the very engaged and heated audience.

In the same way, “The Garden Party,” the second adapted short story by the same author, ended with the words, “isn’t life ... isn’t life ... Isn’t it?”

“Do you think life is too short?” a brave student in the front row asked.

Such a simple question, but what a complex answer... what is life? Is death really part of life? Is life fair? Should the garden party go on?

Despite the complexity of these stories, the ESL students in the audience, even the beginners, were able to grasp their essence, and to provide answers and comments to the presenter’s questions that were only apparently simple. The Educational Theater of New York’s secret is to break down the acting by interrupting the narration after brief acts and asking questions to the students. The audience is asked if they want to repeat the scene or if they wish to continue after the clarification they get by the presenter and other students. They are free to answer from their seats, and they have fun doing so. They are also more engaged, not only because they actually understand what is happening, but also because they know they will be asked questions at the end of each scene.

During this very enjoyable show, the students can practice their listening and speaking skills, but they are also given an insight on literature pieces, history, and real life acting, all while also conquering the frontiers of New York City, which is more foreign than one may suspect for at least a part of our ESL population.

As for me, I got to work in collaboration with Colleen Dallavalle and the Office of Student Activities to make sure our students had their seats



Students from Hudson County Community College’s ESL program attended a performance of the Educational Theater of New York, housed at the Clarion Theatre, on March 26.

reserved and could get there safe and sound on a very luxurious bus and a professional driver. I was also able to enjoy this ride and the show with my colleagues, ESL Professor Denise Phillips, Academic Foundations Professor Evan Gromel, and Dean of Arts & Sciences Christopher Wahl. The latter, Elena Nehrebecki, Director of ESL, and the HCCC Communications Department were very supportive and helped out in advertising the event. So, thank you to all of the above and to all the students for participating, helping out, and making this wonderful event possible. Thank you!

DADSS UNDERGOES NTA TRAINING

Members of the Division of Academic Development and Support Services were trained by the National Tutoring Association from March 30th – April 1st. Dr. Sandi Ayaz, Executive Director of the National Tutoring Association, led the training. Individuals were certified for successfully completing each stage of the training, which included the Basic Level Tutor Certification, Intermediate Level Tutor Certification, Advanced Level Tutor Certification, Academic Coach Training, and Master Level Tutor Certification. The training covered a comprehensive curriculum for each level, and topics included questioning skills, brain-based learning, dealing with difficult students, advanced communication, learning preferences, learning styles, assessment, and evaluation, among others. The National Tutoring Association is the only association in the United States utilizing accredited university approved training and certification for tutors, academic coaches, tutor trainers, and tutorial programs. It is the oldest and largest professional association dedicated exclusively to tutoring.



**North Hudson
Higher Education Center**

4800 Kennedy Blvd., Union City, NJ 07087

END OF THE YEAR
BBQ

Thursday, May 14, 2015

12 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Student Lounge & Courtyard Area

Students, Faculty & Staff are invited!

HCCC, STATE LEADERS DISCUSS STUDENT CAREER OPTIONS

Recently, Hudson County Community College President Dr. Glen Gabert (left) visited the office of New Jersey Assembly Speaker Vincent Prieto (second from left) to discuss improving career program opportunities to students. They were joined by, and are pictured with, Lynn M. Nowak, (second from right), Executive Vice President of Porzio Governmental Affairs, LLC, and Dr. Lawrence A. Nespoli, President of the New Jersey Council of County Colleges.



PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY NEWS

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New York University, and his Bachelor's degree from University of Denver. He has taught at Drew University, Passaic County Community College, Hudson County Community College, and the Art Institute of New York; he also held management positions at the Russian Tea Room, Hudson River Club, and Forsgate Country Club.

New Jersey Council of County Colleges to Honor the State's Top Community College Student Scholars

The New Jersey Council of County Colleges will honor New Jersey's 37 best and brightest community college students and their families at its 21st annual Phi Theta Kappa Day celebration on Thursday, May 7, at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Trenton, from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

"Each year, the New Jersey Council of County Colleges hosts this program to recognize the members of the New Jersey All-State Academic Team, sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for community colleges, the New Jersey Education Association (NJEA), and the Coca-Cola Foundation," said NJCCC President Dr. Lawrence Nespoli. "These students are recognized for their outstanding academic achievements and exceptional service to their communities as members of Phi Theta Kappa at their local community colleges."

"NJEA is proud to celebrate the achievements of our students in New Jersey's community colleges," said NJEA President Wendell Steinhauer. "These students took full advantage of the tremendous opportunities our community colleges offer.

They are well along the path to achieving their dreams and we wish them continued success."

The 2015 New Jersey All-State Academic Team members from Hudson County Community College are Corinna Schlinck of Jersey City and Franco De la Torre of North Bergen.

In addition, 21 of New Jersey's four-year colleges and universities have offered over \$1 million in scholarships to Phi Theta Kappa students transferring to their institutions.

Phi Theta Kappa has recognized and encouraged scholarship among community college students for 97 years while promoting the academic integrity of the associate degree program. Students with grade point averages of 3.5 or higher are invited to join Phi Theta Kappa.

NJEA is a diverse, democratic organization working to achieve excellence in public education in New Jersey. The mission of the New Jersey Education Association is to advance and protect the rights, benefits, and interests of its 200,000 members, and promote a quality system of public education for all students.

The New Jersey Council of County Colleges is the state association representing New Jersey's 19 community colleges. As an independent, trustee-headed organization that joins the leadership of trustees and presidents, the Council is the voice of the community college sector before the state legislature and other branches of government.

STEP RIGHT UP TO YOUR FUTURE

Even with a three-week delay due to snow and inclement weather on the rescheduled date (March 26), the 2015 Spring Transfer Carnival was a rousing success. 169 Hudson County Community College students were able to meet with college representatives about their prospective options.

Members of the Center for Academic and Student Success (CASS) collaborated with the Office of Student Activities and the Culinary Arts department to coordinate the event. New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, and Rhode Island were represented among the 33 schools that attended the fair.

A major aspect of the carnival involved the food served. Cotton candy and popcorn machines greeted the students at the exit along with hot dogs, potato chips and candy at the student service tables. Along with the decorative effects and photo booth, the carnival theme reached out to students, staff and representatives alike. Before the students entered the fair, they were able to vie for prizes small and large. In particular, three students went away with great gifts for their time.

Based on a random draw for students who took the event survey, Elementary/Secondary Education student Mayra Gomez took home an eight-inch Samsung Galaxy Tab. She also got an instant decision and a scholarship from New Jersey City University (NJCU). Other prize winners were Computer Science major Michael Zambrano, who won two tickets to watch the Brooklyn Nets, and Culinary Arts student Carolyn Salinas, who won two tickets for a bus trip to Boston.

Of the students surveyed, the majority were interested in NJCU, Saint Peter's University, Montclair State University, and Rutgers University. Cost of school, GPA's necessary for transfer and overall grades came up as concerns for students in the transferring process. Most participants were finished with at least 31-45 credits at Hudson, and were planning on graduating before moving to a four-year college or institution. All students who participated saw the Transfer Carnival as a satisfying experience.

For all the parties involved in the 2015 Spring Transfer Fair, the event was another opportunity to connect and empower students to take control of their future endeavors.

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND RUTGERS UNIVERSITY - NEWARK SIGN DUAL ADMISSION PROGRAM AGREEMENT

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Marketing and Supply Chain Management, Criminal Justice, English, Environmental Science, Public and Nonprofit Administration, and Theatre.”

RU-N Chancellor Nancy Cantor sees multiple and mutual goals to be achieved in this more expansive relationship with HCCC: “This exciting partnership will significantly broaden and strengthen educational pathways between our two institutions. Smoothing transitions through articulation agreements and employing innovative financial aid and mutual degree-completion mechanisms reflects a key element of our strategic plan priority to invest in anchor institution collaborations by increasing access to and affordability of earning an RU-N degree for students in our region. It also speaks directly to our national priority to increase opportunities for earning a college degree.”

Dr. Gabert said that last month, the Hudson County Community College Board of Trustees passed a recommendation to provide matching scholarships to Rutgers University - Newark with

the institution of the Debra and Marvin Greenberg Rutgers Scholarship. This measure calls for the HCCC administration to match the grant to the HCCC Foundation for the Greenberg scholarships that award HCCC graduates who will attend Rutgers University - Newark \$2,500 per year for two years.

Marvin Greenberg retired as Executive Vice President of Rutgers University in 1992. At that time, the New Jersey Chancellor for Higher Education Dr. Edward Goldberg and Hudson County retained him to work with the new President of Hudson County Community College, Dr. Gabert, in developing a strategic plan. Titled “Blueprint for the Future,” Greenberg’s report set out the basic directions for what turned out to be the renaissance of HCCC. At the completion of his project, Marvin Greenberg and his wife Debra established an endowment at Rutgers to provide support for graduates from HCCC to attend Rutgers University at the Newark campus.

CENTER FOR ONLINE LEARNING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE

Customizing Assignments in Hudson Online

This workshop will provide faculty an overview on how to use the assignment tools and features as well as how to grade assignments in the learning management system.

Creating Assessments for Hudson Online

This session will introduce faculty to the wide variety of tools available for implementing tests in the learning management system. Faculty will also learn how to create customized quizzes using Respondus software.

Getting Started with Hudson Online (Blackboard)

This workshop provides an overview of Blackboard and the basics of setting up a web-enhanced course. (Mandatory for all online/hybrid faculty.)

Hudson Online Faculty Training

This training provides faculty an overview of best practices for online teaching at Hudson County Community College. (Mandatory for all online/hybrid faculty.)

SoftChalk

This training provides faculty an overview of SoftChalk. Learn how to create an interactive digital lesson plan or lecture that can be integrated into Blackboard.

Unless otherwise stated, all training sessions will take place at the Center for Online Learning Lab at 25 Journal Square.

Customizing Assignments:

- Wednesday, May 6, 4:00 p.m.

Creating Assessments for Hudson Online:

- Monday, May 4, 3:30 p.m.

Getting Started with Hudson Online (Blackboard)

- Wednesday, May 13, 1:00 p.m.
- Thursday, May 14, 12:00 p.m.

SoftChalk:

- Friday, May 1, 12:00 p.m.
- Friday, May 8, 12:00 p.m.
- Monday, May 18, 10:00 a.m.
- Thursday, May 21, 11:00 a.m.

Hudson Online Faculty Training:

- Tuesday, May 5, 1:00 p.m.
- Friday, May 15, 12:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 19, 9:00 a.m.
- Wednesday, May 20, 9:00 a.m.

Please register on the Center for Online Learning Portal Page for all professional developments. If you have any questions, please send an email to col@hccc.edu.

Decorate Your Graduation Cap!



Let your personality shine at Commencement!

Come to the Makerspace to decorate your graduation cap using the 3-D printer and a variety of arts and crafts supplies.

You may bring your graduation cap to decorate or design creative pieces to attach later.

Thursday, May 7, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Thursday, May 14, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**HCCC Library Makerspace
– Main Library
(71 Sip Avenue, Room L116)**

SPRING 2015 FOUNDATION SUBSCRIPTION DINING SERIES



Janine Migliaccio (foreground) prepares an item for the Hudson County Community College Foundation Subscription Dining Series during a March service. Migliaccio has worked in the kitchen for the Series, for at least three semesters.

PROFESSIONAL NOTES



Dr. Pamela Bandyopadhyay (left), Associate Dean of Academic Development and Support Services, with Dr. Idahlynn Karre, namesake of The Chair Academy's Idahlynn Karre Exemplary Leadership Award at the organization's 2015 leadership conference.

On Wednesday, April 15, Dr. Paula P. Pando, Vice President for the North Hudson Higher Education Center and Student Affairs, was interviewed by Jill Horner, host of *Comcast Newsmakers*, discussing the NHHEC, recent dual admission agreements with Saint Peter's University and Rutgers University-Newark and the pending construction of the STEM Building. To view the interview, please visit <http://comcast-newsmakers.com/2015/04/16/north-hudson-campus/>. "Comcast Newsmakers" is a television news show in which local, state, federal and community leaders discuss current events and issues.

The Chair Academy awarded Dr. Pamela Bandyopadhyay, Associate Dean of Academic Development and Support Services, with the Idahlynn Karre Exemplary Leadership Award at its 24th Annual International Leadership Conference in Seattle, Washington. The award is presented to exceptional post-secondary leaders who exemplify and support academic and administrative excellence in leadership. Dr. Bandyopadhyay was credited with leading efforts to support students and improve retention while sharing these best practices with colleagues throughout the nation. The Chair Academy is dedicated to delivering exemplary leadership development and has offered



Pictured from left at the Mathematics Association of Two-Year Colleges of New Jersey Conference at Brookdale Community College: Prof. Claudia Delgado, Prof. Joseph Essilfie (Brookdale) and Prof. Kewal Krishan.

world-class, competency-based leadership development programs for college and university leaders since 1992.

In June, Librarian Clifford Brooks will be co-teaching "Music! Words! Opera!" at the University of Missouri St. Louis. "Music!Words!Opera!" is a weeklong workshop for K-8 teachers that uses opera as a touchstone to explore interdisciplinary coursework. During this year's workshop, participants will explore one of the classic comedic operas of all time, Rossini's *The Barber of Seville*.

Professors Claudia Delgado and Kewal Krishan attended the Mathematics Association of Two-Year Colleges of New Jersey Conference at Brookdale Community College on Saturday, April 18.

Katie Sweeting has won a National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) stipend to attend their seminar on "Slavery in the American Republic: From Constitution to Civil War" in July 2015 in the District of Columbia and Virginia. The two-week institute will enable faculty participants to explore the rapidly accumulating new collaborative scholarship which focuses on the reading and interpretation of slavery in American from the writing of the Constitution to the Civil War.



Bookstore-on-the-Square has a display of titles by authors who are on Hudson County Community College faculty.

The College Bookstore at Journal Square now boasts a faculty book display – shelves of publications by College faculty members. Many thanks to Tom Colban, Store Manager, for making this possible.

The Psychology Club sponsored an outing to the famous Albert Ellis Institute in New York City for the Institute's "Friday Night Live!" event. This was an excellent and unique opportunity for the students to see first-hand how a trained therapist applies Rational Emotive Behavioral Therapy (REBT) on a volunteer from the audience that has chosen to share an issue to be resolved. One of the volunteers of the evening discussed concern about having assaulted a girlfriend. Dr. Raymond DiGiuseppe expertly identified the issue, challenged the audience member's self-defiant thoughts and beliefs and suggested short-term, action-oriented strategies. This was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see the process of seeing theory in action.



Members of the Psychology Club recently attended a "Friday Night Live" session at the Albert Ellis Institute, which featured a live demonstration of Rational Emotive Behavior Therapy.

JAMES E. MCGREEVEY DELIVERS KEYNOTE SPEECH AT HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S FUNDRAISER FOR THE GEORGIA BROOKS MEMORIAL FUND



On Thursday, April 23, James E. McGreevey (right), Director of Jersey City Employment & Training Program and former Governor of New Jersey, delivered the keynote speech at the Georgia Brooks Stonewall Celebration Project breakfast. Pictured with McGreevey from right are Hudson County Community College President Dr. Glen Gabert; Dr. Paula P. Pando, Vice President for the North Hudson Higher Education Center and Student Affairs; Gregory Ratcliff, partner of Dr. Gabert; Dr. Eric Friedman, Vice President for Academic Affairs; and Roger Jones, President, CEO and owner of Jones & Associates Communications.

The Georgia Brooks Stonewall Celebration Project at Hudson County Community College (HCCC) sponsored a fundraising breakfast on Thursday morning, April 23, 2015. The event was held in the HCCC Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street in Jersey City.

James E. McGreevey, Director of Jersey City Employment & Training Program and former Governor of New Jersey, delivered the keynote speech at the breakfast.

Proceeds from the event will be utilized in providing scholarships to deserving students, and will be matched dollar-for-dollar by the Hudson County Community College Foundation.

The Georgia Brooks Memorial Fund is named in honor of Georgia Brooks, who passed away in November 2013. Ms. Brooks worked in the College's Information Technology Services Department as an Academic Lab Manager for 25 years, and was an active advisor for the College's Gay-Straight Alliance.

"Hudson County Community College is very proud of the diversity of the College and our community. That diversity goes far beyond ethnicity and race, and includes sexual preference," said HCCC President Glen Gabert, Ph.D. "Georgia Brooks was an advocate in promoting understanding for our lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender students and neighbors, and for working to ensure the dignity and equality of everyone." Dr. Gabert said that the Memorial Fund is a fitting tribute to her work.

Throughout the month of April, the College's Georgia Brooks Stonewall Project, and other HCCC campus organizations, sponsored a variety of events, including: a workshop on the concepts of identity; trainings for faculty, students and staff about creating safe, comfortable and welcoming environments for those who may need a safe haven; a coffeehouse performance centering around Pride themes; a screening of the film, "The Kids Are Alright;" a Rainbow Book Fair; and roundtable discussions on issues and challenging stereotypes.

LEARNING COMMUNITIES RECAP

On Thursday, April 9, Hudson County Community College held its Spring 2015 Learning Community Day. As in past terms, it was a successful event.

Nearly 180 people attended the Learning Community Day. In addition to LC students, LC faculty and LC Academic Mentors, students and faculty from non-LC classes and administrators from different departments attended the event.

LC students were excited to have an opportunity to showcase their best work, at the Poster Session. Not only was there a record number of posters on display, but these also represented a wide array of topics from various disciplines, including Psychology, Sociology, Child Development Workshop, Cultures and Values, English and Speech. Some of the topics were Milgram's Experiment, The Other Wes Moore, The Wampanoag Culture, Children's Cognitive Skills, and many more. One group of students even made a model of Thorndike's Box!

For the first time, the LC students' Poster Session turned into a lively interactive event as all attendees were encouraged to view the posters, interact with the presenters, and select the Best Poster by vote. For their active participation, each attendee was entered into raffle for a prize at the end of the program. The LC students' Best Work Showcase



Learning Community students are recognized for academic excellence and achievement at the semiannual Learning Community Day. The students, holding their awards. From the left: Pictured from left: Prof. Brian Plunkett, Prof. Kelly Baker, Feliciano Christian, Prof. Paula Jones, Erika Fiori, Malika West, Aminadad Gonzalez, John Mulleano, Sara Chaibe, Eman Youseff, Prof. Saliha Yagoubi, Prof. Susannah Wexler, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs Dr. Chanida Katkanant, and Prof. Syeda Jesmin.

provided our students and attendees a unique opportunity to engage in an interactive learning experience.

During LC Day, outstanding LC students, nominated by their LC faculty, for their exceptional class performance in all of the linked courses of a Learning Community, were also recognized. Each of these nominated students was awarded a Cer-

tificate of Recognition, in either of the two categories: Academic Excellence and Academic Achievement. This time, 18 LC students from different LCs received these awards.

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE ONE OF JUST FOUR U.S. COLLEGES RECOGNIZED BY AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES FOR 'ADVANCING DIVERSITY'

On Monday, April 20, 2015, Hudson County Community College (HCCC) was one of just four community colleges in the United States to be recognized for its diversity initiatives by the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC).

HCCC President Glen Gabert, Ph.D. accepted the honor at the 2015 Awards of Excellence presentation during a gala at the AACC annual convention in San Antonio, Texas. The AACC Awards of Excellence finalists were selected by the AACC Board of Directors, and the honors were presented by AACC President and CEO Dr. Walter G. Bumphus and AACC Board of Directors Chair Dr. Ken Atwater (President of Hillsborough Community College, FL).

The AACC Advancing Diversity category recognizes colleges that are dedicated to increasing diversity and advocating for social equity on their campuses and in the community. The makeup of the student body at Hudson County Community College is 57% female, 55% Hispanic, 14.88% Black/African-American, 11.02% white, and 7.35% Asian. HCCC students were born in 119 different countries and speak more than 29 different languages.

"Every department and division of our College – as well as our Board of Trustees, our elected officials and our generous Foundation supporters – works to ensure that attaining a college education is not just a possibility but a reality for every Hudson County resident, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, age, physical ability, gender preference or sexual orientation," Dr. Gabert said. "We are devoted to ensuring that we are successful in fulfilling this goal."

Among the initiatives Hudson County Community College utilizes are those that seek to dispel or diminish language and affordability barriers



Hudson County Community College President Dr. Glen Gabert (second from left) accepts an Advancing Diversity Finalist Award at the American Association of Community Colleges' (AACC) Awards of Excellence Gala on April 20. He is pictured with, from left, Dr. Walter G. Bumphus, President and CEO of the AACC; Dr. Kenneth Atwater, Chair of the AACC Board of Directors and President of Hillsborough Community College (Fla.); and David Pluviose, Executive Editor of Diverse: Issues in Higher Education. The magazine sponsored the Advancing Diversity Award. (Photo courtesy of AACC)

to higher education, and promote understanding and acceptance of all students and all members of the community. These include: partnerships with K-12 schools, as well as information sessions for students and their families that are presented in their native languages when appropriate; partnering with local governments and corporations to provide students with internships; and hosting a number of community events such as the HCCC Lecture Series, HCCC Foundation Arts Talk Series, Spring Family Reading Fair (a daylong event of books, entertainment and refreshments), plus several community cleanup and environmental programs, and most recently "Pridefest 2015"

which included a fundraising breakfast sponsored by the College's Georgia Brooks Stonewall Celebration Project. Other HCCC initiatives include: the Foundation Scholarship program; the College's exceptional Financial Assistance program; the comprehensive six-level English-as-a-Second language program; the Student Early Alert System; offering bilingual classes in Math, Sociology, Psychology, Computer Science and College Student Success; and the College's year-long "First Year Experience" program which helps students to successfully complete their first-year studies via counseling and mentoring.

"The diversity of our community and student body is enriching on so many levels. We are proud to have been honored with this recognition, which shines a light on everyone at the College and all who work with us in these efforts," Dr. Gabert stated.

This is not the first time Hudson County Community College has been recognized with national honors. The College has also been awarded: the New Jersey Business & Industry Association's 2015 New Good Neighbor Award for the HCCC Library Building; the Association of Community College Trustees 2012 Northeast Regional Charles Kennedy Equity Award; Association of Community College Trustees 2012 Northeast Regional Professional Board Staff Member Award; Association of Community College Trustees 2013 Northeast Regional Marie M. Martin Chief Executive Award; one of just five U.S. finalists for the American Association of Community Colleges' 2013 Awards of Excellence Student Success Award; New Jersey Business & Industry Association's 2009 New Good Neighbor Award for the Culinary Conference Center; New Jersey Business & Industry Association's 2012 New Good Neighbor Award for the North Hudson Higher Education Center; and Hudson County Planning Board 2010 Smart Growth Gold Award.





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COLLEGE HOSTS INTRODUCTORY LUNCHEON AND Q&A SESSION FOR TRANSITIONING CAREPOINT HEALTH EMPLOYEES

On Monday, April 27, Hudson County Community College held a luncheon to kick off the partnership between the College and CarePoint Health. Beginning in September 2015, the Joseph Cundari Center, which is currently undergoing a \$3 million renovation, will house the CarePoint Health Nursing and Radiography Programs. Nearly 30 people attended the luncheon, including administrators from the College and CarePoint Health, as well as faculty from the CarePoint Nursing and Radiography Programs.



Dr. Glen Gabert, President of Hudson County Community College, brings greetings to the assembly at a luncheon for HCCC and CarePoint Health administrators and nursing and radiography faculty.



Thomas Brodowski, HCCC Vice President for Administrative Services, makes a presentation during a HCCC-CarePoint Health luncheon.

Join Us for Our Summer Youth Program

Make this your tween's and teen's brightest summer ever with extraordinary fun and learning opportunities at Hudson County Community College!



Our unique one-, two- and three-week programs provide chances for youth 9-17 years old to make new friends and explore future courses of study and careers in STEM, the Culinary Arts, Theatre and Art, or prepare for the SAT.

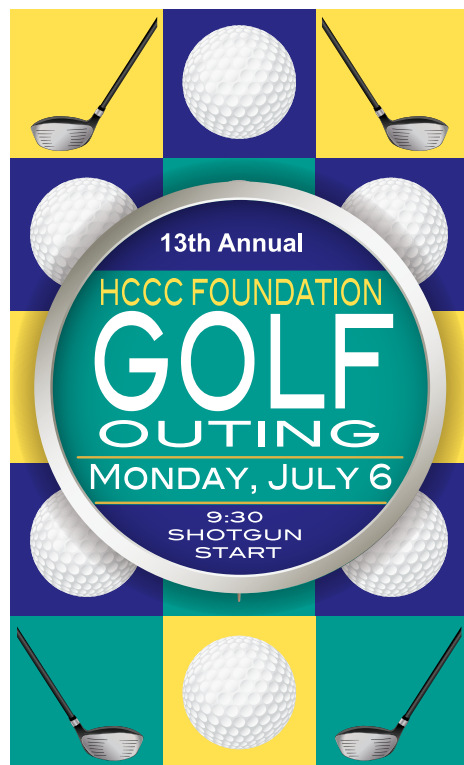
These hands-on programs are offered in partnership with the Hudson County Community College Division of Academic Affairs, Culinary Arts Institute, Liberty Science Center, Black Rocket and Speranza Education Theatre in morning and afternoon sessions July 29 - 6, 2015.

Information Session is scheduled for **Thursday, May 14, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.** at the Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street, Jersey City, NJ 07306.

Offerings include:

- Minecraft Designers
- Make Your First Video Game
- Creative Cookies and Candies
- Custom Cakes and Cupcakes
- Farmer's Market Culinary Adventures
- CSI Forensics
- App Attack
- Fashion Sewing
- Design Diva
- World of Chemistry
- Code Breakers
- Mini-Med
- Art Expressions
- Theatre
- Creative Comic Books
- Young Photographers
- Young Chef Academy: Baking Basics
- Young Chef Academy: Culinary
- Sports Journalism
- Algebra Refresher
- SAT Math
- SAT Language Arts

For more information, call the HCCC, Division of Community Education at 201-360-4246 or 4224.



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Golf Check-In
8:00 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

Continental Breakfast
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Shotgun Start
9:30 a.m. (sharp)

Refreshments on Course

Cocktails, Luncheon and Awards
2:00 p.m.

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HCCC'S THEATRE STUDENTS EXPERIENCE ALEXANDER TECHNIQUE WORKSHOP



Theatre Arts Coordinator Joseph Gallo (left) introduces the session's facilitator, Gary Ramsey, to the student participants.



Gary Ramsey (kneeling) explains relaxation in the Alexander Technique with a student volunteer.

On Thursday, April 16, students in Hudson County Community College's Theatre Arts program had an opportunity to practice the Alexander Technique – a method of mindful movement – with actor and performer Gary Ramsey.

In describing the Alexander Technique to the students, Ramsey explained that people interfere with their own movement and vocalization. A common tension-inducing practice, said Ramsey, is freezing the joint at the top of the spine which is connected to the brain.

The Alexander Technique is named after Frederick Matthias Alexander, an actor who discovered a solution to his laryngitis after physicians could not find a cause. Alexander found that excess tension in his neck and body were the source and he sought ways to move and speak with greater ease.

Ramsey led the students through several exercises, including relaxation. "When we are tense," said Ramsey, "we are contracted and do not perform well."

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You are invited to join the festivities:

GRADUATION 2015 EVENTS



Friday, May 1

**Academic Foundations
and ESL Graduation
Reception,**

Culinary Conference Center,
12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Sunday, May 10

**New York Yankees Game
(with free food)**

1:00 p.m. at Yankees Stadium

Eventbrite Link: <http://hcccyankeesgame-may2015.eventbrite.com>

Thursday, May 14

Graduation #TruckinThursday

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., outside 81 Sip Ave.

Honors Poster and Project Showcase

5 p.m. to 7 p.m.,

Culinary Conference Center,
161 Newkirk Street.

Refreshments will be served.

Monday, May 18

Graduation BBQ, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.,

CAI Park

Tuesday, May 19

Commencement Formal

5 p.m. to 11 p.m., Liberty House.

To purchase your ticket for a night

of dinner and dancing, go to:

<http://2015CommencementFormal.eventbrite.com>.

Tuesday, May 19

LPN Pinning Ceremony

Culinary Conference Center, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, May 20

Faculty vs. Student Basketball Game

Saint Peter's University Recreational Life
Center- beginning at 3 p.m.

Thursday, May 21

Commencement

New Jersey Performing Arts Center,

Graduates to arrive at 4 p.m. -

Commencement begins at 6 p.m.

Thursday, June 4

Nursing Graduation Ceremony

Saint Peter's University, 4 p.m.

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College Placement Test (Accuplacer)

Welcome to HCCC! The CPT is a computerized assessment used to assist with English/Math course placement. Take the CPT seriously! Depending on your scores, you may have to register/pay for additional semesters of courses that do not bear college credit/count toward degree.

You may be exempt from the CPT, if you have college-level transfer credit, qualifying ACT/SAT scores or Accuplacer scores from another institution. For more information, visit www.hccc.edu/testing

Before taking the CPT:

- Review, Brush-up, Study!!! See reverse side for free study resources
- For special testing accommodations, contact Disability Support Services' at 201-360-4157 in advance.

On day of CPT:

- Make sure you eat and rest well
- Bring photo ID, College Wide ID #, pen, and pencil
- Report at least 10 minutes before the test start time
- Walk-ins accepted for 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. sessions; Appointment required for 5 p.m. sessions

Academic Success begins with preparation for the College Placement Test (Accuplacer)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
TESTING LOCATIONS: Journal Square: 2 Enos Place, Jersey City NHHEC: 4800 Kennedy Blvd., Union City				1 Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM
4 Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM	5 NHHEC 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM	6 Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM	7 XXXXXXXXXX	8 XXXXXXXXXX
11 Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM 5 PM by appt.	12 XXXXXXXXXX	13 XXXXXXXXXX	14 NHHEC 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM	15 Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM
18 Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM	19 NHHEC 9:00 AM only Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM	20 Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM	21 NHHEC 9:00 AM only Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM	22 <i>College Closed</i>
25 <i>College Closed</i>	26 Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM	27 Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM	28 NHHEC 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM	29 <i>College Closed</i>

College Placement Test

*Approximately 2-3 hours

1. Writeplacer: 1 hr. timed/typed essay
2. Reading Comprehension: untimed/multiple choice
3. Arithmetic: untimed/multiple choice
4. Elementary Algebra: untimed multiple choice

English as a Second Language placement test

*Approximately 2.5-3.5 hours

1. ESL Reading Skills: untimed/multiple choice
2. ESL Language Use: untimed/multiple choice
3. ESL Listening: untimed/multiple choice
4. ESL Essay: 1 hr. timed/handwritten essay
5. Must be eligible to take Math Placement test

Spring 2015 CLEP EXAM

Session I: 9:00 a.m.
 Session II: 1:00 p.m.
 Non-refundable Registration Fee: \$20 per test
 CLEP Fee: \$80 per test

May
 Tuesday, May 5
 Friday, May 8

May 2015 Prospective Graduates: Plan ahead and test early!
 Official CLEP transcripts may take more than two weeks to be received/processed.

Avoid getting misplaced in Math. Brush up on your Math skills with EdReady!
 Create your free EdReady account: <http://www.hccc.edready.org>
 View additional Accuplacer Study Resources at: www.hccc.edu/accuplacerstudyresources

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, May 1

LEAP Connection Breakfast, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Culinary Conference Center, Scott Ring Room

Subscription Dining Series Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St. To obtain additional information or to register, please call (201) 360-4006.

End-of-Semester Luau, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., CAI Park

Academic Foundations and ESL Graduation Reception, Culinary Conference Center, 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Free Flick Friday, 4 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

Monday, May 4

Graduation Portraits, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

Tuesday, May 5

Graduation Portraits, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

Culinary Café will be open for lunch at Culinary Conference Center. Lunch Buffet served from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Center for Business and Industry "Hudson County Non-Profit Leaders Lunch and Learn Panel Discussion," 12 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street, First Floor. Pre-registration required at <http://goo.gl/vj1WFh>.

Wednesday, May 6

Digital Photo Editing on a Budget, 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Makerspace. Learn how to use free or low-cost apps and web-based programs to edit your photos on a shoestring budget! Free, but registration is required. Register for the workshop at <http://hccclibrary-digitalphotoediting.eventbrite.com>. Registration is limited to 12 participants.

Win Big BINGO, 3 p.m., NHHEC

Student Excellence & Achievement Awards, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St. RSVP at <https://spring2015excellenceawards.eventbrite.com>

HCCC Foundation, West Hudson/North Arlington Scholarship Committee Hudson/Bergen Comedy Night Fundraiser, 6 p.m., San Carlo Fine Catering, 620 Stuyvesant Ave, Lyndhurst. Tickets \$75. To purchase tickets or for additional information, please contact Joseph Sansone, Vice President for Development, at (201) 360-4006 or email jsansone@hccc.edu.

New Pathways to Teaching in New Jersey Information Session, 6 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Room 519. Please pre-register by calling 201-360-4255/4266/4244.

Thursday, May 7

Decorate Your Graduation Cap, Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Makerspace

Saint Peter's University Transfer Talk presented by Dr. Rachel Wifall, Saint Peter's University Honors Program Director, 12 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, Follett Lounge, Fifth Floor

National Society of Leadership and Success Induction, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, Banquet Room

ESL Conversation Group for students in levels IV and V, 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Room 310. Please feel free to contact Julia Ruskin at jruskin@hccc.edu with any questions.

Panel discussion: "Facing the Dilemmas of the World: NJ Contemporary Artists," 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. Moderator: Meredith Lippman, Program Development Specialist of Hudson County Cultural Affairs, Curator, Exhibitions Organizer at Hudson County Cultural & Heritage Affairs. Presenters: artists Eric Avery, M.D., Valeri Larko, and Barbara Madsen. Seating is limited and reservations may be made by contacting Clifford Brooks at (201) 978-5720 or cbrooks@hccc.edu.

Friday, May 8

Panel discussion: "The Fluxus Movement: Half a Century Late," 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. Presenters: Professors Gerry Beegan and Donna Gustafson. Examining the Fluxus Movement, this discussion will focus particularly on Fluxus School works owned and displayed in HCCC's Foundation Art Collection. Seating is limited and reservations may be made by contacting Clifford Brooks at (201) 978-5720 or cbrooks@hccc.edu.

Monday, May 11

Open Hours at the Makerspace, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. The Makerspace in the Library Building (71 Sip Ave.) will be open with all supplies and equipment available for use. Visit the Makerspace during open hours to explore, create, and innovate using a variety of technology equipment and arts and crafts supplies.

Tuesday, May 12 and Wednesday, May 13

Finals Study Break, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Liberty Café & NHHEC Lounge

Tuesday, May 12 – Monday, May 18

Last classes and/or final exams (including Off-Campus Locations)

Tuesday, May 12

Culinary Café will be open for lunch at Culinary Conference Center. Lunch Buffet served from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Last meeting of ESL Book Group, 4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Library Building (71 Sip Avenue), Room L505. Group will view film adaptation of *A Wife for My Son* by Ali Ghalem.

Wednesday, May 13

Fine Arts Department Art Exhibition and Limited Print Sale, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., First Floor Lobby

Thursday, May 14

Decorate Your Graduation Cap, Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Makerspace

Information Session, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street

Graduation #TruckinThursday, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., outside 81 Sip Ave.

NHHEC End-of-the-Year BBQ, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., Student Lounge & Courtyard Area

Honors Student Paper Presentations, 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. The College is invited to come and listen to Honors students read their papers. Open to the entire College community. Light refreshments will be served.

Honors Dinner, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street

Honors Poster and Project Showcase and Competition, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Scott Ring Room, Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. Refreshments will be served.

Information and Registration Event for Summer Youth Program, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Culinary Conference Center (161 Newkirk Street)

Friday, May 15

Fine Arts Artist Presentations, Opening Reception & Print Sale, Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Fifth Floor, 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Spring Theatre Festival: An Evening of Scenes & Music, 6 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, Scott Ring Room, Second Floor, 161 Newkirk Street. Free admission. For more information, please contact Joseph Gallo, Theater Arts Coordinator, at jgallo@hccc.edu.

Monday, May 18

Summer Hours begin

Graduation BBQ, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., CAI Park

Tuesday, May 19

Groundbreaking ceremony for STEM Building, 10:30 a.m., 282 Academy Street

Meeting of Hudson County Community College Board of Trustees, Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street, 5 p.m.

Culinary Café will be open for lunch at Culinary Conference Center. Lunch Buffet served from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Practical Nursing pinning ceremony, 6 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Commencement Formal, 6 p.m. to 11p.m., Liberty House Restaurant, Jersey City, NJ. RSVP at <https://2015commencementformal.eventbrite.com>

Wednesday, May 20

Faculty vs. Student Basketball Game, Saint Peter's University, Yanitelli Center

Thursday, May 21

Commencement, New Jersey Performing Arts Center, 6 p.m. All guests including small children/infants must have a ticket in order to attend.

Monday, May 25

Memorial Day - College closed

Tuesday, May 26

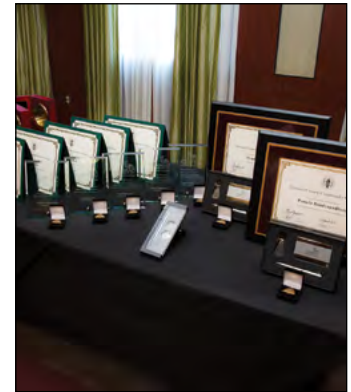
Summer Session I and Summer Online A Session begin

Culinary Café will be open for lunch at Culinary Conference Center. Lunch Buffet served from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

HCCC OBSERVES SECOND ANNUAL STAR (SPECIAL THANKS AND RECOGNITION) LUNCHEON



At the STAR Luncheon on April 30, from left: Vice President for Development Joseph Sansone, Employee Courtesy Service Award winners Yvette Ramos and Joseph Pascale, and HCCC President Dr. Glen Gabert. Missing from Photo Marie Mahood.



Employees achieving milestone anniversaries received several items of recognition, including a pin with the number of years and a certificate of appreciation.

Graduating Students: Tell Us Your Story!

Hudson County Community College's Communications Department needs your help in identifying unique and exceptional graduate student stories to use in publicity for the upcoming Commencement ceremony as well as future marketing materials.

HCCC's Communications Department will be pitching these stories to media during the Commencement season and would be pleased to hear from students willing to be interviewed. Some past noteworthy stories covered by media included students who:

- Were age 50 or older while studying at HCCC
- Had served in the military
- Had relatives on HCCC staff or of HCCC alumni
- Were family members graduating together
- "Beat the odds" (earned a degree despite an adversity, disability, etc.)

In addition, we would be interested in highlighting inaugural classes of HCCC's newest degree programs!

For more information please contact the Communication Department at 201.360.4060 or email at Communications@hccc.edu.

On Thursday, April 30, Hudson County Community College held a special awards luncheon to acknowledge employees who have many years of service and demonstrate outstanding service to students and fellow employees.

The STAR Luncheon, hosted by Dr. Paula P. Pando, Vice President for the North Hudson Higher Education Center and Student Affairs and Joseph Sansone, Vice President for Development, and the Hudson County Community College Foundation, recognized employees achieving milestone anniversaries from five years up to 30 years, employees who have retired or will retire during the 2014-15 academic year, and the winners of the 2015 Employee Courtesy Service Award.

The 2015 Employee Courtesy Service Award winners were Marie Mahood, Joseph Pascale and Yvette Ramos.

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE presents
SPRING THEATRE FESTIVAL
An Evening of Scenes & Music

Friday, May 15, 2015, 6 p.m.
 Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street,
 Scott Ring Room, 2nd Floor
 Jersey City, NJ 07306

FREE ADMISSION!!

For more information:
 Contact Joseph Gallo, Theater Arts Coordinator at jgallo@hccc.edu

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COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE



Earlier this semester, Hudson County Community College's newest billboard debuted at the corner of Bergen Avenue and Sip Avenue in Jersey City. It features students of all ages and the Culinary Conference Center, appealing to prospective students and local businesses and organizations alike. The billboard was designed by the College's Communications Department.

REGISTER NOW FOR SUMMER SESSIONS
www.hccc.edu/summer

We are Growing!
 The HCCC STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Building Now Under Construction, Scheduled to Open Spring semester 2017.

JOURNAL SQUARE CAMPUS
 70 Sip Avenue, Jersey City, NJ
 (near the Journal Square PATH Station)

NORTH HUDSON HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER
 4800 Kennedy Boulevard,
 Union City, NJ
 (adjacent to NJ Transit Bergenline Avenue Transit Center)

Advertisements for summer registration are currently running online and in several local papers in English and Spanish, including *The Jersey Journal*, *The Hudson Reporter*, *The Observer of Kearny*, *El Especialito*, *Cambio*, *The Courier Times*, *The Jersey Times* and the *River View Observer*.

The Board of Trustees and President of Hudson County Community College proudly invite you to join the College community for

The Official Groundbreaking of the Hudson County Community College STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Building

Tuesday, May 19, 2015
282 Academy Street
Jersey City, New Jersey

Formal Ceremony begins at 10:30 a.m.
 Light refreshments will be served.

RSVP to:
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 at (201) 360-4060
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