

# HCCC Happenings

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## From the Editor's Desk

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## HCCC NAMES ROOM AFTER LONGTIME SUPPORTER PHILIP JOHNSTON



*Pictured from left: Hudson County Community College Vice President for Development Joseph Sansone; Philip Johnston; Karen Fahrenheit, HCCC Trustee and Foundation Director; and HCCC President Dr. Glen Gabert.*

On Thursday, Oct. 31, 2013, Hudson County Community College announced that Rooms 214-216 of the Culinary Conference Center would be henceforth named "The Philip Johnston Room." Mr. Johnston has served on the Hudson County Community College Foundation Board of Directors for nearly 15 years (including a term as Chair) and has given generously to the College, including sponsoring the Johnston Communications Awards for Excellence in Teaching. Mr. Johnston was presented with a plaque commemorating the occasion.

## HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION TO HOLD ITS 16TH ANNUAL "HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA" FUNDRAISER ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) Vice President for Development Joseph D. Sansone announced that the College will celebrate its 16th annual "Holiday Extravaganza" fundraiser at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 5, 2013. The event — the largest and most festive of all the Foundation's fundraisers — will be held in the College's Culinary Conference Center at 161 Newkirk Street in Jersey City. Proceeds from the event will be dedicated to scholarships for deserving students, faculty development programs, and the College's physical expansion.

The Foundation will present its 2013 Distinguished Service Award to United Water. The honor recognizes organizations and individuals for their work on behalf of the College and the people of Hudson County. United Water is one of the nation's leading environmental companies, providing water and wastewater services to approximately 5.5 million people in the United States. The 144-year-old company, which is a subsidiary of SUEZ ENVIRONMENT, is a longtime supporter of the Hudson County Community College Foundation.

The HCCC Foundation "Holiday Extravaganza" is the largest and most festive of the Foundation's annual fundraisers. The event features a hospitality hour and gourmet dinner feast prepared by the chefs/instructors of the College's nationally acclaimed Culinary Arts Institute, with service provided by students from the HCCC Culinary Arts Institute/Hospitality Management program.

The evening also includes a "Lucky Odds" drawing in which the Grand Prize winner receives 40% of the raffle ticket sales, the Second Prize winner receives 6% and the Third Prize Winner receives 4%. Raffle tickets cost \$50 each; ticket holders need not be present to win.

Hudson County Community College Foundation is a nonprofit 501 (c) 3 corporation giving tax-exempt status to contributors. The Foundation generates financial support to benefit deserving HCCC students by providing them with scholarships. Additionally, the Foundation provides seed money for the College's physical expansion and for new programs and faculty development.

Since the Foundation was established in 1997, it has provided over \$1.5 million in scholarships to more than 1,000 students. In addition to the Holiday Extravaganza, the Foundation's Board of Directors also organizes and holds the following annual fundraisers: the Golf Outing in July; Night at the Races, a family-oriented event; and the HCCC Employees' Scholarship Luncheon in November, where faculty and staff support the Foundation through pledged donations. Events are also held throughout the year to build scholarship funds for students specifically from Hudson County's northern and western municipalities.

A limited number of tickets for the December 5 gala are still available at a cost of \$500 each. Those tickets — as well as tickets for the "Lucky Odds" raffle — may be purchased by phoning Mr. Sansone at 201-360-4006 or emailing [jsansone@hccc.edu](mailto:jsansone@hccc.edu).

# PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY NEWS



Photo on Right: Hailee Longo at Fall Induction, Nov. 3.

Photo on left: Pictured from left: Luis Rivera, Alpha Theta Chapter President (Essex County College); Melissa Ortiz, Beta Alpha Phi Chapter President (Hudson County Community College); Luz Tellez, 2013 alumna, 2012-3 Vice President of Service, Beta Alpha Phi Chapter (Hudson County Community College) and current student at Rider University, and Jesus Garcia, International Vice President, Division I, at Fall Induction on Nov. 3.



## Fall Induction

The Fall Induction was held on Sunday, November 3 at the Culinary Conference Center.

## Sharing the DREAM Campaign

Beta Alpha Phi Chapter coordinated, with other College organizations, a series of events from November 4-8. The "Sharing the DREAM Campaign" was a project that the chapter planned to help educate students about current immigration policy. These events included a documentary, "The Dream Is Now," on Monday, November 4; U.S. Immigration History Day on Tuesday, November 5; Current Immigration Wave and Resource Day on Thursday, November 7 and a rally in Journal Square on Friday, November 8.

## Five-Star Competitive Edge

Phi Theta Kappa has initiated The Competitive Edge to assist members in ways to strengthen communication, planning, teambuilding and research skills, to become more competitive for scholarships, college transfer, and jobs. Log into <http://ce-web.ptk.org/edge/> using your CollegeFish.org username and password. Competitive Edge combines instructional videos with hands-on activities to give you that professional edge to succeed in school and in the job market. Participation is tracked online by completing activities and posting written assignments (descriptions of leadership roles/activities, awards/honors received a resume, etc.) to an online portfolio that can then be shared with scholarship providers, college admissions officials, and/or potential

employers. You can also share your portfolio with chapter advisors, faculty or community members who are writing letters of recommendation for you. The plan is self-paced and allows you to choose from one to five levels for completion. A Five-Star pin will be awarded to all who successfully complete all five levels.

## Chapter Meeting

The final chapter meeting for the fall term will take place on Saturday, December 7, in the Student Lounge at 25 Journal Square. Start time is 10 a.m.

## CAMPUS SAFETY TIPS

In today's world, creating and maintaining a safe, secure campus community is our primary concern.

As winter is fast approaching and it is getting darker earlier, the Security Department at Hudson County Community College would like to remind the College community to take necessary measures for safety including:

- Share your class/activities schedule with parents and a network of close friends.
- Maintain situational awareness. Pay attention to the people and circumstances around you.
- Do not leave personal property unattended or unprotected in libraries, labs, classrooms or other

common spaces. Always secure your belongings.

- Avoid working or studying alone in a building at night. Take advantage of the available campus escort and transportation services.
- Park in well-lit areas and travel on populated, well-lit streets.

Security escorts are available by contacting the Security office at (201) 360-4080. When on campus, immediately call Campus Safety & Security at (201) 360-4080 or -4085 when you feel unsafe in any situation. If you are in imminent danger – on or off campus – call 911!

## SECURING STUDENT & PERSONAL INFORMATION

The College community is reminded to please not send any student or employee personal information in emails, internally or externally. Such information includes Social Security numbers, date of birth, credit card information, etc, either in the body of the email or as an attachment of a document

Also, persons who use laptops and/or mobile devices to perform their duties should not store any of this personal/critical data on the devices. If compromised in the event of loss or theft, this could potentially cause legal issues for the College.

All employees are reminded not to share their IDs or passwords with anyone. Doing so jeopardizes the integrity of the data, compromises the network, and the security rights and privileges of your respective job responsibilities, in addition to violating the Acceptable Use Policy.

ITS will never send you an email requesting your ID or passwords. Do not respond to those types of emails.

If you are not sure, contact ITS via phone or in person, and we will address any concerns that you may have.

## MAIL ROOM & COPY CENTER ANNOUNCES EXTENDED HOURS

The Mail Room & Copy Center will be extending its hours of operation starting Monday, December 2, 2013 through Friday, Dec. 13, 2013 to accommodate the increase in demand during final exams.

Hours will be as follows:

- Monday through Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday and Sunday: Closed

The Mail Room and Copy Center will resume regular hours of operation (Monday- Friday, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.) on Monday, December 16.

## CHANGES TO PARKING AT NORTH HUDSON HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER

Effective with the Winter/Spring 2014 terms, all parking for the North Hudson Higher Education Center will be in the West New York Municipal Lot at Bergenline Avenue between 51st and 52nd Streets. This means that as of January 2014, College faculty and staff may no longer park in the P.C. Richard parking lot.

The municipal lot will have 75 spaces reserved for College faculty/staff use only.

HCCC students may park in the metered sections of the lot for a maximum of 12 hours. The current rate is \$0.25 per half hour.

## IN MEMORIAM: GEORGIA BROOKS

**H**udson County Community College recently suffered a loss when a former colleague, Georgia Brooks, passed away on Sunday, November 24. Ms. Brooks worked in the Information Technology Services Department from June 1986 to June 2011. During her time at HCCC, she was a Academic Lab Manager and an active advisor for the Gay-Straight Alliance.

In Ms. Brooks' memory, a piece of art *Danys y Leithis* by Elizabeth Catlett from the College's collection, will be publicly designated. She will be deeply missed in the HCCC community.



## 2013 W-2 STATEMENTS ELECTRONIC CONSENT

**A**s the end of the calendar year is quickly approaching, this is a reminder that employees will have the option to obtain their 2013 W-2 statement via the secure portal at <https://myhudson.hccc.edu>. In order to access your 2013 W-2 statement electronically, you must first submit your consent by logging into the portal page and following these directions:

- 1) Log in to [myhudson.hccc.edu](https://myhudson.hccc.edu)
- 2) Access the W-2 Electronic Consent form,

located in the "Employee Profile" section on the "Liberty Link" tab.

- 3) Select the first option to give your consent and submit.

If you do not consent to the electronic delivery, a form will be printed and mailed to you. If your W-2 is lost and needs to be replaced, you need to print and send the "Duplicate W-2 Request Form" to the Controller's Office, available through the portal.

## WORKPLACE WELLNESS: GET PAID TO STAY HEALTHY!

**N**JWELL is the new wellness program offered for actively employed members of the School Employees Health Benefits Program (SEHBP). NJWELL aims to cultivate healthy lifestyle choices and improve well-being among actively employed members of the SEHBP.

The program is multi-year approach to raising awareness and improving the health of members and their communities. Eligible members and their covered spouses or partners who meet the program's Wellness Goals each year receive financial rewards in the form of a gift card. Along with the gift cards, participating employees will also be contributing to a possible overall reduction in medical insurance premiums depending on the number of employees involved.

This is an ongoing program that will be phased in over several years. In 2014, NJWELL will focus on helping participants understand their current health status. Employees and their covered spouses/partners will each receive a \$100 gift card when they earn 250 Wellness Points by participating in both a biometric screening, which identifies potential health risks and a short online Health Assessment questionnaire about their general lifestyle. All Biometric Screening and Health Assessment information will be confidentially collected and stored by the participant's health plan. The results are provided only to the participant; by law, they cannot be shared with an employer.

Please visit <http://shbp.horizonblue.com> or <http://www.aetnastatenj.com> for more information about the program.

## Come join us for the HOLIDAY FESTIVITIES! HCCC EMPLOYEE HOLIDAY RECEPTION

Thursday, December 12, 2013

12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the Culinary Conference Center

We will be honoring two retiring members from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.  
Victor Mastrovincenzo, Academic Foundations (Math) Associate Professor  
Clara Williams, Call Center Coordinator

Enjoy spending time before the holiday break with your fellow co-workers.  
Hot cider, holiday pastries and appetizers will be served.

For more information, please contact Randi Miller  
at (201) 360-4073 or email [rmiller@hccc.edu](mailto:rmiller@hccc.edu)



## JOBS

Applicants are now being sought for the following positions:

*Academic Foundations Mathematics Instructor*

*Adjunct/ Non-Credit Community Education Instructors*

*Admissions Recruiter*

*Assistant Registrar*

*Director - Health Information Technology Program (Grant Funded)*

*Office Assistant (Part-time)*

*- 2 positions*

*PC Technicians*

*(1-grant funded for 24 months)*

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](mailto: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](http://www.njherc.org), the *Higher-EdJobs.com* website at [www.higheredjobs.com](http://www.higheredjobs.com), [www.latinoshighered.com](http://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](http://www.hccc.edu).

## RETIREMENT

*Victor Mastrovincenzo, Academic Foundations (Math) Associate Professor*

*Clara Williams, Call Center Coordinator*

## MILESTONES

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

**Five Years**  
*Darlery Franco*

**10 Years**  
*Hital Patel*

# From the Office of College Life

Each month, the "College Life Corner" will introduce members of the College community and recognize milestone anniversaries among our employees. We will highlight employee publications, awards, officers in professional organizations, community service, and academic accomplishments.

For comments & suggestions for "College Life Corner," please contact College Life at (201) 360-4011 or [efriedman@hccc.edu](mailto:efriedman@hccc.edu).



**Mavis Faulknor**  
Director of  
Practical Nursing

Mavis Faulknor comes from Jamaica and her career began with strong influences from her accomplished family. On her mother's side, a "whole big family" was involved in academics. Her cousin is Chief of Surgery at King George's Hospital in Bermuda, and she has reminisced with him about how he and other family members influenced her. "He was always studying. There were always books around."

Inspired by the accomplishments of family members, Mavis earned the Valedictorian spot in high school and went on to the University of Technology in Jamaica to study dietetics and nutrition, having been encouraged by a paternal aunt who recognized her interest in cooking. At the end of the three-year program in Jamaica, her aunt helped her to gain acceptance into NYU for the final year as an international student. However, she "transferred to Hunter to decrease the financial burden on my parents." She continued on to earn an M.S. in Nutrition at Hunter.

Her work in the field began in New York City in the South Bronx as Director of the program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) to facilitate food and nutrition resources for low-income families. During that time, she married and shifted to

Newark, New Jersey, working for 11 years for a similar WIC program. Her responsibilities included teaching and mentoring students, overseeing budgets, supervising staff, providing outreach, educating clients, and building relations with the community. Eventually Mavis transitioned into Nursing and became an advanced practical nurse in family health (nurse practitioner). She is currently enrolled at the University of Buffalo online pursuing doctoral studies in Nursing. Her research focus is looking at the quality of life for dia-betic patients and to identify ways towards improving the quality of care.

"I want to know," asks Director Faulknor, "how students can move on with their lives and contribute?" She sees her position at HCCC as a big challenge, yet she feels uniquely qualified for the challenge: "I have been teaching nursing and nutrition throughout my career. I have enjoyed great outcomes. When I walk through any health care facility someone comes up to me, knows me, I had something to do with training them. Every place has challenges."

Mavis looks forward to learning more Spanish as professional development. She also sees the need for "a good nursing lab for the students where we can do simulation training."



**Dr. V.B. Joasil**  
Instructor,  
Life Sciences  
Allied Health Division

His story is the prototypical account of a first-generation immigrant. At the request of his parents, for reasons of economic and educational advancement, he immigrated to the United States. He faced numerous challenges during his first couple of years including language issues, adjusting to a new environment, and financial concerns. His remarkable ambition and diligence, as well as his parents' unwavering support, paved the way towards his earning a high school diploma from East Orange High School, a bachelor of science in Biology from Montclair State University, a master's degree in Microbiology from Seton Hall University and a medical degree from Medical University of the Americas.

His eight-year career in academia has been marked by an impressive body of teaching assignments at Seton Hall University, Essex County College and Hudson County Community College. His journey at HCCC commenced in 2007 as an adjunct instructor where he later accepted a full-time teaching position in Fall 2010. As a dedicated educator, Joasil has demonstrated the ability to instruct, motivate and empower students. "A great number of our students are immigrants and struggle with the English language; when I see them in my Bio classes, I immediately connect with them. Having been in their shoes, I know their fears, their anxieties and I am glad that I have been able to help a little", said Joasil when asked about his in-classroom experience.

In addition to full-time teaching, Professor Joasil has served as Chair of the Academic Affairs Governance Committee since Fall 2012 and has been a member of the division's Curriculum and Instruction Committee. He served

as Chair of the Faculty Senate Social Committee for two years. Importantly, he has been actively involved in mentoring to a great number of students. "I know that it sounds cliché, but I love the students; it is my inflexible desire to keep influencing them to dream big, reach higher with the goal of maximizing their full academic potential," declared Professor Joasil. He has organized tele-conference tutoring sessions for students to help them grasp complex scientific concepts with the goal of improving student success.

Developing and teaching online courses, participating in selecting textbooks for courses, helping to revise syllabi, his plate is quite full and rewarding. He co-founded a Faculty Enrichment in Life Science committee (FELS), whose objective is to conduct workshops for the professional enrichment of Life Science instructors at the College. He is now working on a Periodic Review Report (PRR) subcommittee for Middle States accreditation.

V.B. Joasil is passionate about everything he does. He says: "I do not talk much unless I am very familiar with the people surrounding me. Since I am not a talker, I have always relied on my work to do all the talking for me." He also points to the fact that a major part of his continued professional development has been his ability to seek professional advice from senior faculty and administrators. "If you have been here for ten, twenty, thirty years, you definitely have a tremendous amount to offer and so far I have been blessed by the counsel of many," he said. On his off-time he loves spending hours with his wife and daughter watching movies, joking, staying in touch with his parents over the phone, going to church and Bible study sessions, and "counseling" the family cat who likes to destroy his furniture.

## NHHEC OBSERVES FALL IN-SERVICE



HCCC President Dr. Glen Gabert offers NHHEC faculty and staff opening remarks at the Fall In-Service Luncheon.

On Tuesday, Nov. 19, the North Hudson Higher Education Center had its Fall In-Service Luncheon. NHHEC faculty and staff, ranging in service to Hudson County Community College from three months to 28 years, gathered to engage in a dialogue about milestones, goals and initiatives at the institutional level, and at the campus level.

This in-service, organized by Dr. Paula Pando, Vice President for the NHHEC and Student Affairs, occurs twice per academic year. The NHHEC currently enrolls over 2,600 students, or nearly 30% of the entire HCCC student population.

## PROFESSIONAL NOTES

**Kewal Krishan** and **Theodore Lai** participated in the New Jersey Community Colleges Faculty Summit on Core Student Learning Outcomes at Mercer County Community College on Nov. 15. They worked on introductory statistics courses with other instructors from several community colleges.

**Dr. Ferdinand O. Orock**, Professor of Mathematics, attended a STEM tech conference in Atlanta, Georgia from Oct. 26 to Oct. 30.

**Dr. John Nutakor** and **Professor Ahmed Rakki**'s proposal "STEM: The case of an urban community college," has been accepted for presentation in American Society for Engineering Education's (ASEE) national conference to be presented in ASEE 2014 Annual Conference.

**Dr. Azhar Mahmood** attended a teacher training workshop at Union County College. The workshop was part of "Improving the Pipeline

in STEM Teacher Education" a collaboration between Union County College and New Jersey City University.

**Dr. John Nutakor** and **Professor Ahmed Rakki** attended Association of American Colleges and Universities' annual conference on Transforming STEM Education: Inquiry, Innovation, Inclusion, and Evidence

**Laurie Riccadonna** (Associate Professor of Fine Arts) is helping to curate the +ART piece of the Dodge Planning Grant Award for Sustainable Jersey City's Rain Gardens +ART Campaign. The project is a citizen-led initiative to educate and engage Jersey City stakeholders about green infrastructure benefits and inspire more projects across all neighborhoods. Riccadonna says, "I became a participant in Sustainable Jersey City for a variety of reasons both personal and professional. As an art professional and an artist, I am interested in the role that the arts play in the ar-

ray of activities that SJC sponsors. As one of the curators of their Rain Gardens +ART project, I am able to utilize my experience in art and curate exhibitions that explore issues involving the environment and community."



*A rainforest at Laurie Riccadonna's home. She began the project in support of Sustainable Jersey City's Rain Gardens +ART Campaign.*

## VP FRIEDMAN BRINGS WELCOME AT ECONOMIC SUMMIT

**Dr. Eric Friedman**, Vice President for Academic Affairs at Hudson County Community College, provided opening remarks at the Nov. 13 "Growing Our Local Living Economies Summit" conference held at the Culinary Conference Center. In his remarks, he provided a brief overview of the history of business in Jersey City, citing the need for innovative approaches to collaboration between business, non-profits, and educational institutions.

More than 80 national and local leaders attended the conference. Other speakers included Mike Pearson, President and CEO of Union Packaging; Don Shaffer, President and CEO of RSF Social Finance; and Judy Wicks, author and co-founder of Business Alliance for Local Living Economies. During the event, Jersey City Mayor Steven Fulop, along with former Gov. Jim McGreevey, executive director of Jersey City Employment and Training Commission, announced the key points for the administration's local economy agenda, including the formation of a Local Economy Working Group. The Working Group will collaborate to evaluate local resources and produce ways to stimulate economic growth and tackle job creation by maximizing existing resources. Ana Chapman-McCausland, the Executive Director for the Center for Business & Industry (CBI) at HCCC, is part of the inaugural working group joining Commissioner McGreevey.

"This summit was a great opportunity to collaborate across sectors and I look forward to building the elements of a local living economy with the working group," said Deputy Mayor Vivian Brady-Phillips.

The summit — organized by HCCC's Ana Chapman-McCausland, Rising Tide's Alfa Demmellash, the Hudson County Chamber of Commerce's Maria Nieves, and Mark Murphy, President of LeadNJ — consisted of several presentations and panel discussions to ignite thoughts on harnessing entrepreneurial initiatives to create new opportunities through workforce development and small business cluster-based growth.

Another key feature of the summit was the announcement of the Institute for Urban Revitalization through Entrepreneurship by the President of Saint Peter's University, Dr. Eugene Cornacchia. The Institute will be the home of the Local Economy Working Group, and going forward, will present the summit annually.

The event launched Rising Tide Capital's local celebration of Global Entrepreneurship Week, which continued at the Start Something Challenge Grand Finale.

"I am thrilled that leaders of anchor institutions and key industry sectors came together to have this important conversation about building a local living economy in New Jersey's second largest city. I anticipate this summit will influence more cities to consider holistic strategies that map out more sustainable growth opportunities for urban entrepreneurs and future job creators. I look forward to working together with our partners, to execute the ideas from the summit," said Alfa Demmellash CEO and Co-Founder of Rising Tide Capital.



*Dr. Eric Friedman, Vice President for Academic Affairs delivers greetings.*

## SMART BOARD TRAINING

SmartBoard and Brightlink training will be provided on the following schedule:

- Tuesday December 10, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- Friday, December 13, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Monday, February 3, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. (North Hudson Campus-- Brightlink Training)
- Thursday February 6, 12 noon to 1 p.m.
- Tuesday March 4, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- Saturday, March 8, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Unless otherwise specified, training will take place at the Library, 25 Journal Square, Second Floor. Please register in advance at <http://bit.ly/I4GWMH>.

# Foundation Art Collection

The Hudson County Community College Foundation Art Collection, which includes artworks in media from painting and sculpture to photographs to 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

Thanks to Anna-Mária Vág of Seattle for her generous donation of the eight matted, urban landscape photographs of New Jersey: Cambria Mack, Flowers &, Katkco Office Supplies, Katsin's Drugs, Modern Trend, Slice-N-Spice, Service One Hour, and Walling Bros. Block Co.

Thanks to Michael Marsico, Ronald L. Threm, and Daniel Yo for their generous donations to help restore and install the recently donated artwork by Sister Mary of the Compassion, O.P. of Union City. Thank you to Sister Carol Marie, O.P, for the beautiful painting of St. Dominicus by Sister Imelda, O.P., another one of the artist nuns of the Blue Chapel in Union City. Thanks to Clifford Brooks for your tireless transporting of donated artwork to the College. Thanks to Gary Berchume for the Thiel speakers for the new gallery as well as the Classe amp and pre-amp and equipment table. Thanks to Mandy Otero for your ongoing efforts helping us to honor the work of our Union City artists. Belated thank you to Joan and Chris Madormo for their donations this year in memory of John Tully and Gregor Granderson.

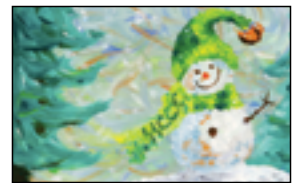
Thank you to Alma Peralta of Union City for her generous donation of art. Thank you to Benjamin J. Dineen, III and Dennis C. Hull, for the surprise additional donations of art work and art materials. And finally, thanks to our anonymous donors. You know who you are, and we appreciate you.

## Art Contest Winners

Congratulations to the winners of the Foundation Holiday Card Contest: winner Kevin Hsieh of Kearny and finalists Edwin Collazos of Union City, Gian Perez of Jersey City, Albeirys Francisco of North Bergen, and Sebin Kim of Ridgefield. Hsieh's design will be featured on the 2013 HCCC Foundation Holiday Card.

## Artist News

Collection artist **Jon Rappleye** is participating in the following exhibits: "Seeing Voices: Contemporary Drawings" at the University Las Vegas Nevada, Donna Beam Gallery through December 13; "Innovation" (Selections from the West Collection at the Kimmel Center); and "6 Years In: The Warehouse" at the Salina Art Center through December 22.



Clockwise from left: Foundation Holiday Card entries from winner Kevin Hsieh and finalists Edwin Collazos, Sebin Kim, Gian Perez and Albeirys Francisco.

## SECOND WINNING CLASS IN FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE CANNED FOOD CHALLENGE ANNOUNCED



For the Fall 2013 term, the College's Center for Advising and Student Success (CASS) launched a Canned Food Challenge among the College Survival Skills (CSS-100) students. All student enrolled in CSS-100 this semester were encouraged to bring in canned goods to donate to the local community.

Students were able to bring the items to class or either of the Advisement Centers (70 Sip

Avenue or at the NHHEC).

College Survival Skills, Section 35 was the most recent section winner of the Canned Food Challenge. They earned a pizza party in November.

Please stay tuned to HCC Happenings for announcements of the North Hudson winners.

## SPORTS JOURNALIST AND ESPN COMMENTATOR STEPHEN A. SMITH APPEARS AS SPEAKER AT HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S LECTURE SERIES



On Thursday, Nov. 21, noted journalist and talk show host Stephen A. Smith - host of "The Stephen A. Smith and Ryan Ruocco Show: on ESPN Radio New York 98.7 FM - was a speaker in the Hudson County Community College Lecture Series. From left, Smith is pictured with Bakari Gerard Lee, Esq., Vice Chair of HCCC's Board of Trustees; being interviewed by JC1 TV, the cable television station for the City of Jersey City; and with Dr. Paula P. Pando, Vice President for the North Hudson Higher Education Center and Student Affairs at the College.

# NOTIBREVES

## LA FUNDACIÓN DE HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE SOSTENDRÁ SU 16VA. GALA PARA RECAUDACIÓN DE FONDOS EL PRÓXIMO 5 DE DICIEMBRE

La Fundación de Hudson County Community College sostendrá la 16va Gala Anual – el más grande y festivo evento de recaudación de fondos del año - a las 6:00 p.m., el próximo Jueves, 5 de Diciembre, 2013 en el Centro de Conferencias – Artes Culinarias de HCCC, 161 Newkirk Street, en Jersey City. Los fondos recaudados en el evento son dedicados a becas para estudiantes merecedores, programas de desarrollo de la facultad, y la expansión física de la Universidad.

La Fundación estará presentando el Reconocimiento al Servicio Comunitario a United Water. Este honor reconoce a organizaciones e individuos por su trabajo para la Universidad y la gente del Condado de Hudson. United Water es una de las compañías ambientales líderes en la nación, proveyendo servicios de agua potable y alcantarillado a aproximadamente 5.5 millones de personas en los Estados Unidos. La compañía de 144 años, es una subsidiaria de SUEZ ENVIRONMENT, ha trabajado con la Fundación de HCCC por mucho tiempo.

La Gala de la Fundación es el más grande y festivo evento del año. Resalta una hora de bienvenida y una cena gourmet preparada por los chefs/instructores del nacionalmente aclamado Instituto de Artes Culinarias de HCCC, con servicio proveído por los estudiantes del programa de Gerencia Hotelera de HCCC.

Durante la Gala, se escogerá el boleto ganador de la rifa anual "Lucky Odds." El Premio Mayor es el 40% de las ventas de boletos, Segundo Premio obtendrá el 6% y el Tercer Premio será el 4%. Los boletos tienen un costo de \$50 cada uno, y quienes compren boletos no necesitan estar presentes para ganar.

La Fundación del Hudson County Community College es una corporación 501(c)3 dando exención de impuestos a sus contribuidores. Establecida en 1997, la Fundación ha proveído más de 1.5 millones en becas a más de 1,000 estudiantes. Además de la Gala, la Junta de Directores de la Fundación organiza: el Abierto de Golf en Julio; Noche de Carreras en

Octubre, un evento familiar; el Almuerzo de la Beca del Personal de HCCC en Noviembre, donde la facultad y el personal apoyan a la Fundación mediante sus donaciones. Múltiples eventos se llevan a cabo a lo largo del año para recaudar fondos para becas para estudiantes residentes de las municipalidades del norte y oeste del Condado de Hudson.

Aun existe un número limitado de boletos para la Gala del 5 de Diciembre a un costo de \$500 cada uno. Estos boletos, así como los boletos de la rifa "Lucky Odds," pueden ser adquiridos llamando al Sr. Sansone al 201-360-4006 o por correo electrónico [jsansone@hccc.edu](mailto:jsansone@hccc.edu).

## LOS VOLUNTARIOS DEL HOSPICIO AUXILIAR DE HUDSON HONRÓ A VICEPRESIDENTE DE HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE JOSEPH SANSONE

Hudson Hospice Volunteers, Inc. sostuvo un evento de recaudación de fondos, "Noche de Carreras" el pasado Viernes, 22 de Noviembre. En este evento Joseph D. Sansone, Vicepresidente de Desarrollo y Asistente al Presidente de Hudson County Community College, y miembro de la Junta de Directores de Hudson Hospice Volunteers – fue honrado.

El Sr. Sansone se unió a Hudson County Community College en el 2001 y además es el Director Ejecutivo de la Fundación de la Universidad. Antes de venir a HCCC sostuvo posiciones en la industria bancaria con First Jersey National Bank (desde que fue adquirido por NatWest, y luego por Fleet Bank y más recientemente por Bank of America), y fue Vicepresidente de Correspondencias y Seguridades para Chase Mellon Shareholder Services. Asistió a Rutgers College en la Universidad de Rutgers, y The American Institute of Banking, el Sr. Sansone es además miembro del Rotary Club de Jersey City – daybreak, y miembro de la Junta de Administradores del Pershing Field Babe Ruth League, La Conferencia Nacional de Comunidad y Justicia – Capitulo New Jersey, y Destination Jersey

City. Previamente ha servido como Administrador de la Asociación de Banqueros del Noreste de New Jersey, miembro y Presidente de West Hudson/South Bergen Optimist Club, miembro y Tesorero de la Junta de Administradores de PAVONIA Girl Scout, miembro del Centro de Información de Seguridades del Programa SEC Lost Securities – New York, Administrador del Salvation Army en Hoboken, y miembro del Hoboken Kiwanis Club.

Hudson Hospice Volunteers fue establecido en 1980 para traer el concepto de hospicio – proveer cuidado que se enfoca en asistir a aquellos que padecen de enfermedades terminales para que vivan lo mejor posible sus últimos días – a la gente del Condado de Hudson. Aunque Hudson Hospice no provee cuidado médico o de enfermería directamente, está asociado con programas y agencias que dan cuidados de hospicio y suplementa sus programas con una variedad de servicios de voluntarios, y asistencia financiera a aquellos que lo necesitan. El Auxiliar fue establecido en 1982 y su propósito primario es recaudar fondos monetarios para aquellas familias del hospicio en necesidad financiera.



*Sr. Joseph D. Sansone, Vicepresidente de Desarrollo de HCCC y Director Ejecutivo de la Fundación de HCCC.*

## CALL FOR PROPOSALS – FIRST COLLEGE SERVICE DAY POSTER SESSIONS

**H**ave you recently completed an interesting project or program, either institutionally, within a department, or in a classroom? Would you like the opportunity to share your project/program with colleagues? Please join members of Hudson County Community College at the first annual HCCC College Service Day Poster Session on Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2014.

### What is a “Poster Session?”

A poster session is a plenary session where each speaker will have space to display their poster as a visual aid to engage the audience in a quick impromptu presentation while addressing specific questions to small groups. HCCC’s first College Service Day Poster Session will take place immediately after lunch in the Philip Johnston Breakout Room (located on

the second floor of the Culinary Conference Center, across the hall from the Scott Ring Room).

### Who can participate?

Anyone attending College Service Day who wishes to share a project/program is invited to participate. This is not a judged event; rather it is an opportunity to share successes, innovations and implications for practice. Any type of project is welcome; whether large or small scale, one-time or ongoing.

### Points to consider:

Ask yourself, “What would I need to know if I were viewing this material for the first time?” and then state that information clearly.

Keep it simple. Place major points in the poster and save nonessential but interesting sidelights for informal discussion.

A poster is neither a paper nor a slideshow. Use this session as a way to make connections with people, and share your successes and innovations!

### Submission Deadline:

Proposal submissions are due by Friday, Dec. 20 and should be sent to postersessions@hccc.edu. Confirmation of acceptance of the submission will be sent to the presenter on December 23. Any questions should be directed to Dr. Paula Pando at ppando@hccc.edu.

## CENTER FOR BUSINESS & INDUSTRY NEWS

**T**he Center for Business & Industry (CBI) and the Hudson County Office of Minority and Women Business Enterprise (OMWBE) have partnered to offer The Hudson County Management Training Program to small businesses in Hudson County. This innovative program includes 39 hours of training in six key organizational functional areas: General Management, Project Management, Leadership Skills, Team Building, Supervision Skills, and Workplace Diversity. This cohort program is designed for business managers/owners who are often steered into their roles without formal instruction in organizational management skills. The program is at no cost to the small business and is slated to start in December.

Open Enrollment Microsoft Office 2013 classes for Fall 2013 will be ending on December 20. The response for Excel was so great that two sections were opened to accommodate students. In addition, Jersey City Medical Center requested Microsoft Office training in November and December.

On November 5, CBI began training employees of Advanced Built Structures (ABS) in Jersey City in ESL for the Workplace. Instruction is funded in full through the NJBIA Basic Skills Workforce Training Program.

The Career Opportunities Training Program has

been modified to include PowerPoint and Financial Literacy. Cycle four of Career Opportunities Training Program ends in December. Cycle five will start in January with the new model.

The Civil Service Commission has requested 12 more training dates through March 2014 to accommodate the flow of requests being made for training in the new NJ FamilyCares website. Classes will be held at both the Union City and Jersey City campuses.

More than 75 attendees were present at the Tri-Power Speed Networking Event on Nov. 5. The business community was able to network with each other as well as with teen members of New City Kids, who were prepared and professional. CBI partnered with the Hudson County Chamber of Commerce and New City Kids to sponsor this event.

On November 13, Ana Chapman-McCausland moderated a case study panel called Rethinking Workforce Development – “Inside Up” Strategies at Rising Tide Capital’s Growing our Local Living Economies summit. The case study was on Community Partnerships in Hotel Employment (CPHE) with WomenRising. CPHE ran successfully over the last several years but was discontinued when UEZ funding was eliminated.

CBI invited Hudson County WorkFirst vendors to a closed Lunch & Learn on November 19 to discuss adult learning principles.

### Upcoming Events

Business Movie Lecture Series (January 29, 2014) CBI invites the business community each month to partake in screenings and discussions of movies as they relate to business.

Job Fair for Healthcare (January 30, 2014) CBI is partnering with the NJ Healthcare Talent Network to host a Healthcare Job Fair targeted to HPOG participants and all healthcare students and graduates. This will be a great day for networking and taking workshops on resume writing and job search. HPOG participants are invited to join the Job Fair planning committee, please contact Monteria Bass at 201-360-4243 or mbass@hccc.edu

Women in Technology Symposium (March 26, 2014) This symposium focuses on helping female high school and college students who want to pursue a career in technology. For more information, contact Aycha Edwards at (201) 360-4262 or aedwards@hccc.edu.

## FELS COMMITTEE FALL WORKSHOPS



**T**he Faculty Enrichment in Life Science (FELS) Committee at Hudson County Community College produced a series of informative and engaging sessions during the Fall 2013 term:

On October 19, Dr. Nadia Hedhli presented “Anatomy in Clay Workshop, Part 1.” This workshop covered a new method of teaching anatomy using clay to construct different organs, muscles, systems and structures in the body. Here, students not only learn location, but they also learn where things are found in reference to one another and how the whole

body is built. The philosophy behind this new trend of teaching is that “the mind does not forget what the hands have made.” –

On October 26, Associate Dean of Allied Health Catherine Sirangelo facilitated “Test Construction /Test Blueprinting,” during which she explained to faculty methods of constructing and choosing tests based on the course level, the subject being taught and the objective being addressed. Here, she emphasized to keep in mind objectives of the course when testing students and to re-evaluate the outcomes once the scores are obtained.

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## TESTING SCHEDULE

All new students are required to take the CPT, which allows for course placement that is appropriate to their skill level. We have created a walk-in schedule to give students the opportunity to Study/Review their Math and English skills prior to visiting the Testing Center.

*It is extremely important that you take the College Placement Test seriously. Depending on your score, you may have to register for and pay to take additional semesters of courses that do not bear college credit count toward graduation.*

### Before Taking the CPT:

- Students must submit an Application to Admissions (70 Sip Ave.)
- To review for the College (College Board's "Accuplacer"), please visit: [www.college-board.com/student/testing/accuplacer/](http://www.college-board.com/student/testing/accuplacer/)
- For CPT exemption criteria such as SAT scores and applied transfer credit for English and/or Mathematics visit: [www.hccc.edu/testing](http://www.hccc.edu/testing)

### On the day of the CPT students must:

- Report at least 10 minutes before the test start time.
- Bring photo ID (Driver's License/Passport/Green Card / Student ID).
- Have your College Wide ID number.
- Bring a copy of transcripts (only if student is a transfer or foreign student).

### About the CLEP:

The College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) gives students the opportunity to receive college credit for what they already know. For more information on CLEP, please visit: [www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/clep/about.html](http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/clep/about.html)

### Before Taking the CLEP Exam:

- Please call (201) 360-4191 or -4192, as CLEP exams are administered by appointment only.
- All appointment cancellations must be made at least 24 hours in advance.
- HCCC students must have a permit to take the CLEP (form available at the Testing Center or the MyHudson portal). It is recommended that visiting students review their school's CLEP policy before registering.

- All students must pay a \$20 HCCC service fee (non-refundable) per examination at the Bursar's Office, located at 70 Sip Avenue, Jersey City, or the North Hudson Center Main Office, located at 4800 Kennedy Blvd., Union City, NJ. This fee must be paid prior to setting an appointment for the exam. Testers must show receipt on the day of CLEP exam.
- Please contact the Testing Center for an appointment: (201) 360-4194, -4192 or -4191.

### On the Day of the CLEP Exam:

- Students must report at least 10 minutes before the test start time.
- Bring two (2) forms of identification (Driver's License, Passport, Green Card, Student ID, or Military ID).
- Bring \$20 receipt from Bursar's Office.
- Bring \$80 CLEP Fee: money order, payable to ETS/CLEP, or credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or Discover are accepted).

### Disability Support Services

If you require special testing accommodations due to a documented disability, please contact Disability Support Services at (201) 360-4157. All students with approved testing accommodations must take the College Placement Test at the Testing Center located at 2 Enos Place, Jersey City, NJ.

The testing schedule for December follows (times indicated with \* are by appointment only):

- Monday, Dec. 2 — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- Tuesday, Dec. 3 — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- Wednesday, Dec. 4 — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- Thursday, Dec. 5 — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place

- Friday, Dec. 6 — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place and NHHEC

- Monday, Dec. 9 — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place

- Tuesday, Dec. 10 — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place; 9 a.m., NHHEC

- Friday, Dec. 13 — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place and NHHEC

- Monday, Dec. 16 — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place

- Tuesday, Dec. 17 — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place; 9 a.m., NHHEC

- Wednesday, Dec. 18 — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9 a.m., 1 p.m. or 5 p.m.\* , 2 Enos Place

- Thursday, Dec. 19 — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place

- Friday, Dec. 20 — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place; 9 a.m., NHHEC

- Monday, Dec. 23 — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9 a.m., 2 Enos Place

For further information, please contact HCCC's Testing Center, located at 2 Enos Place, Jersey City, NJ 07306 at (201) 360-4193 for College Placement Test appointments.

To obtain additional information and policies of the Testing Center, please visit [www.hccc.edu/testing](http://www.hccc.edu/testing).

## HCCC TO ESTABLISH STUDENT BUSINESS/ACCOUNTING CLUB

Hudson County Community College is in the beginning stages of forming a new Business/Accounting Club. This club will be open to all Business and Accounting majors, as well as anyone who is interested in learning about the Business/Accounting world entails.

Students who are interest in becoming members may contact Franklin Beeg for further information at [Fbeeg9826@live.hccc.edu](mailto:Fbeeg9826@live.hccc.edu). The club is set to start up in the Spring 2014 semester and is open to all HCCC students.

## FELS COMMITTEE FALL WORKSHOPS

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Prof. Abdallah Matari discussed "Teaching Hybrid and Online Courses" on November 2. He covered teaching methods in online and hybrid classes, as well as the advantaged of teaching these courses, their limitations and future goals we would like to attain when teaching them.

On November 9, Genevieve Pinto Zipp, PT, Ed.D. of Seton Hall University was invited to speak on "Flipped Classrooms as a means to Engage Students in Active Learning Experiences." Dr. Pinto Zipp discussed the flipped classroom as a means to keep students engaged and

critically thinking about the subject being taught. She emphasized that teaching is a blend of traditional, hybrid and technology-assisted devices. Regardless of whether a class is online or in a traditional classroom, faculty should always seek ways to keep the students engaged in the subject. Questions to consider: 1) What is the most difficult or challenging part of the lecture? 2) What is the most fundamental and most essential part of today's lesson? 3) Are the students bored? Am I bored? How can I change this?

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Tuesday, December 3

HCCC Live: HCCC Idol, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 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.

Meeting of the HCCC Board of Trustees, 5 p.m., Mary T. Norton Room, 4th Floor, 70 Sip Avenue

### Wednesday, December 4

DJ: Ballroom Dancing ,11 a.m. to 2 p.m., NHHEC

Instant Decision Day (New Jersey City University), 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., 70 Sip Avenue. Students must bring a completed application and an official (sealed) College transcript to the Career & Transfer Center.

Yoga, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

Life after HCCC Honors, 5 p.m. Where are you headed? The workplace? A Bachelor's degree? A more advanced degree? What you do at HCCC will help carry you into a successful future. We will discuss challenges, experiences, and tips to aid in the transition.

### Thursday, December 5 and Friday, December 6

"Natural Environment Teaching" workshop presented by the Foundation for Autism Training and Education (FATE), 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. Registration: \$195. Please visit [www.thefate.org/training/index.asp](http://www.thefate.org/training/index.asp) to register.

### Thursday, December 5

DJ: Learn How to Ballroom Dance, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Student Lounge, 25 Journal Square

Instant Decision Day, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Saint Peter's University), 70 Sip Avenue. Students must bring a completed application and an official (sealed) College transcript to the Career & Transfer Center. You must have a reservation to participate, so contact the Career and Transfer Services office at or call (201) 360-4184 to reserve your spot. All reservations are on a first come, first served basis.

Club & Organization Holiday Social, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m., 25 Journal Square (Building B), Room 413

Campus Rucksack (veteran resources on and off campus), 2 p.m., 70 Sip Avenue, Second Floor

HCCC Foundation Annual Holiday Extravaganza, 6 p.m., Culinary Conference Center. United Water will receive the annual Distinguished Service Award. For information and tickets, please call (201) 360-4006 or [jsansone@hccc.edu](mailto:jsansone@hccc.edu).

### Friday, December 6

SGA Town Hall Meeting, 25 Journal Square, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, please call the SGA Office at 201-360-4196.

The Writing Center Book Club reads and discusses *Life of Pi* by Yann Martel, Chapters 88- 100, 12 p.m., Writing Center, 2 Enos Place, Room 204

Holiday Main Courses and Sides – Our Holiday Festivity Showcase continues with the definitive course on preparing and serving a foolproof, incredible holiday meal. Our chef-instructor is developing a special menu just for these sessions. So whether you'll be preparing your first holiday meal or just want to add new life to your traditional fare, this is the class for you! Tuition: \$75. Meets 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit [www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration](http://www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration) or email [instantenrollment@hccc.edu](mailto:instantenrollment@hccc.edu).

### Saturday, December 7

Gluten-Free and Loving It! – Are you or someone you know Gluten Intolerant? Have you been dreaming of gluten-free breads, cakes, cookies and desserts? Well, look no further – in this course we will discuss and use gluten-free flour blends that will be paramount to creating some of these classic favorites. Come learn the basics of Gluten-Free Baking and learn the theory behind the ingredients you need to use to substitute for gluten. This class will be a fun and educational chance to recreate some of your favorite foods you may not be able to enjoy anymore. Tuition: \$75. Meets 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit [www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration](http://www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration) or email [instantenrollment@hccc.edu](mailto:instantenrollment@hccc.edu).

### Monday, December 9

Bingo, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

Club & Organization Pizza Social, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., 2 Enos Place, Student Lounge

### Tuesday, December 10 – Monday, December 16

Last classes and/or final exams at HCCC including Off-Campus Centers

### Tuesday, December 10

Mini-Manicure, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Journal Square and NHHEC

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

Information Session for "New Pathways to Teaching in New Jersey," 6 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. Pre-registration is strongly recommended; please call (201) 360-4255.

### Wednesday, December 11

Instant Decision Day, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Bloomfield College), 70 Sip Avenue. Students must bring a completed application and an official (sealed) College transcript to the Career & Transfer Center. You must have a reservation to participate, so contact the Career and Transfer Services office at or call (201) 360-4184 to reserve your spot. All reservations are on a first come, first served basis.

Meeting of HCCC Foundation North Hudson Scholarship Committee, 5 p.m.

Caricaturists, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Journal Square and NHHEC

### Thursday, December 12

Final Exam Stress Reliever: Make Your Own Lucky Bamboo!, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., NHHEC & 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

Employee Holiday Reception, 12 p.m. to 3 p.m., Culinary Conference Center

Honors Recognition Dinner, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, Follett Lounge, 161 Newkirk Street.

### Friday, December 13

Holiday Appetizers - Get your holiday gatherings off to great starts with an array of appetizers so delicious and impressive that your guests will want to make a meal of them! As part of our Holiday Festivity Showcase, we'll show you how to prepare a complete menu of appetizers. Tuition: \$75. Meets 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit [www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration](http://www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration) or email [instantenrollment@hccc.edu](mailto:instantenrollment@hccc.edu).

### Saturday, December 14

Holiday Desserts Made Easy - It's the proverbial "icing" on our Holiday Festivity Showcase! Learn to prepare desserts that are as festive in appearance as they are delicious to taste! A special menu of very special treats is being devised just for this class by our chef-instructor. Tuition: \$75. Meets 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit [www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration](http://www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration) or email [instantenrollment@hccc.edu](mailto:instantenrollment@hccc.edu).

Job Searching: Become a Job Interview Star – In this ultra-competitive job market, knowing how to conduct yourself during a job interview is more necessary than ever! Instead of completing with a handful of people for a position, you may be competing with several hundred. In this workshop, you'll learn the basic tools you need to stand out from the rest of the pack. You'll also find out how to increase your chances of landing the job by learning how to act, what to wear, what to say, and what not to say when interviewing! Tuition: \$59. Meets 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit [www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration](http://www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration) or email [instantenrollment@hccc.edu](mailto:instantenrollment@hccc.edu).

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS CONTINUED

### Sunday, December 15

Preparing Pasta ... from Scratch - Learn a wonderful and economical culinary tradition to share with family and friends! There's nothing more comforting than a big bowl of homemade pasta, and it's easier to make than you might think. In our class, you'll find out how to create pasta from scratch (just like great-grandma made every Sunday!), as well as the best ways to cook, store and prepare a sauce for it! Tuition: \$75. Meets 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit [www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration](http://www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration) or email [instantenrollment@hccc.edu](mailto:instantenrollment@hccc.edu).

### Monday, December 16

Meeting of HCCC Foundation Alumni Association Committee, 6 p.m.

### Tuesday, December 17

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

### Thursday, December 19

Last day to submit final grades to the Registrar's Office

Radio City Christmas Spectacular, show time 5 p.m., Radio City Music Hall. Student price \$25, guest price: \$40

### Tuesday, December 24

College Closed – Given for Christmas Eve

### Wednesday, December 25

College Closed – Given for Christmas

### Thursday, December 26 -

### Tuesday, December 31

College Closed

## HCCC MAKES EXCURSION TO HISTORIC RICHMONDTOWN



A docent and assistant explain how candles are made.

On Sunday, October 20, a group of Hudson County Community College students, faculty, and staff journeyed back in time at Historic Richmondtown in Staten Island to celebrate "Old Home Day," a New England tradition to welcome home past residents.

Docents in colonial costume showed the visitors how to cane chairs, tin-smith, spin, weave, cooper, and make candles. The group tasted home-made pumpkin soup right out of the kettle and ate bread baked in a brick oven. They also tasted the apple cider after working the press.

The trip concluded with a visit to the print shop and a telegraph demonstration, listening to music at the tavern, staring at the bobbin lace knitter, and hearing a lecture in the oldest wooden school house in North America, while sitting on the hardest benches in N.A. An investigative look in the museum and general store unearthed a child's potty rocking chair and an old wall telephone. A quick trip to a neighboring farm meant pumpkins, fall flowers, a corn maze, a hayride, and an end of a great day.

## SUPPORTING A CULTURE OF ASSESSMENT AT HCCC



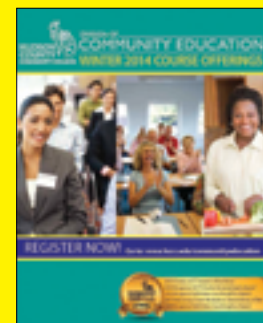
Captions from left: Dean of Arts and Sciences Christopher Wahl (standing at right) consults with team members during an afternoon breakout session. Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Eric Friedman (left) reviews objectives during an afternoon session with Executive Director of Human Resources Randi Miller. Jennifer Gray facilitates during the morning session, clarifying terms such as "target" and "objective."

On Friday, Nov. 8, 2013 Hudson County Community College held an assessment training session attended by over 35 faculty, staff and administrators. This training reinforces a systematic approach to assessment, where similar definitions and tactics will be employed to support continuity between departments. This endeavor is coupled with Hudson's implementation of WEAVE, an Assessment and Planning Management tool that allows for easy organization of assessment plans and seamless connections to be made between plans, thus supporting overall Institutional Effectiveness.

Assessment Training was provided by Jennifer Gray, Hudson's point of contact for WEAVE. Ms. Gray has a background in higher education which includes the coordination of assessment processes during her tenure as the Director of Institutional

Effectiveness at SUNY Cobleskill. Ms. Gray shared her expertise during the six-hour training which entailed a morning lecture session and an afternoon working session. Participants received an overview of the assessment cycle, key terms and definitions and multiple examples of both Academic Assessment Plans and Administrative Assessment Plans. With guidance and feedback from Ms. Gray, attendees began developing new departmental objectives to take back to their respective divisions for further discussion and insight.

This training will not be the last of its kind; future assessment workshops will be available to the College community. Hudson will continue to uphold its commitment to assessment and institutional effectiveness as the College moves forward with the next stages of WEAVE implementation.



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## THE AUXILIARY OF HUDSON HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS HONORS HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE VICE PRESIDENT JOSEPH D. SANSONE

**H**udson Hospice Volunteers, Inc. held a fundraiser, "A Night at the Races," on Friday, November 22 at Casino-In-The-Park (within Lincoln Park) in Jersey City. At the event, Joseph D. Sansone, Vice President for Development and Assistant to the President at Hudson County Community College, and a Member of the Board of Directors of Hudson Hospice Volunteers — was honored.

Mr. Sansone joined Hudson County Community College in 2001 and is also the Executive Director of the College's Foundation. Before coming to the College he held positions in retail banking with First Jersey National Bank (since acquired by NatWest, then by Fleet Bank and most recently Bank of America), and was Vice President of Correspondence and Lost Securities for Chase Mellon Shareholder Services. Having attended Rutgers College at Rutgers University and The American Institute of Banking, Mr. Sansone is a member of the Rotary Club of Jersey City-Daybreak, and the Boards of Trustees of the Pershing Field Babe Ruth League, The National Conference for Community and Justice - NJ Hudson Chapter, and Destination

Jersey City. He previously served as a Trustee for the Northeast Jersey Bankers' Association, a member and President of West Hudson/South Bergen Optimist Club, member and Treasurer of the PAVONIA Girl Scout Board of Trustees, member of the Securities Information Center of the SEC Lost Securities Program - New York, Trustee of the Hoboken Salvation Army, and member of the Hoboken Kiwanis Club.

Hudson Hospice Volunteers was established in 1980 to bring the concept of hospice — providing care that focuses on assisting those who are terminally ill with the ability to live what's left of their lives as fully as possible — to the people of Hudson County. Though Hudson Hospice provides no direct medical or nursing care, it partners with other programs and agencies that do provide direct hospice care and supplements those programs with a variety of volunteer services, and financial assistance when needed. The Auxiliary was started in 1982 and its primary purpose is to raise funds for those hospice families who require financial assistance. The Auxiliary's members meet once a month to plan and hold four fundraisers each year.

## HCCC AND NJIT DISCUSS ARTICULATION AND STUDENT TRANSFER



*Pictured from left: Dr. Thomas Hsieh, Komal Patel, Dr. Joseph Eaton, Dr. John Nutakor, Prof. Abdallah Matari, Dr. Youcef Oubraham, Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Eric. Friedman, Dr. Edwin. Hou (Associate Dean- College of Engineering at NJIT), Dr. Basil Baltzis (Dean - College of Engineering at NJIT), Acting Associate Dean of STEM Division Dr. Mojdeh Tabatabaie, Acting Associate Dean for the STEM Division, Yvon Groeneveldt, Vice President for NHHEC and Student Affairs Dr. Paula P. Pando, Dean of Arts and Sciences Christopher Wahl, Prof. Rafiq Siddiqui, Dr. Issam El-Achkar, and Dr. Azhar Mahmood.*

**O**n Tuesday, Nov. 12, faculty and administrators of Hudson County Community College met with Dr. Basil Baltzis and Dr. Edwin Hou, the respective interim dean and interim associate dean of New Jersey Institute of Technology's (NJIT) Newark College of Engineering. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss renewal of the schools' articulation agreement.

Both deans at the College of Engineering graciously agreed to meet with HCCC for an informal conversation regarding articulation and student transfer. Discussions are anticipated to follow with NJIT's College of Arts and Sciences.



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