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From the Editor's Desk

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BAKARI G. LEE, ESQ. RECOGNIZED FOR SERVICE AS NJCCC CHAIR

On Monday, Nov. 17, the New Jersey Council of County Colleges honored outgoing Chairman Bakari G. Lee, Esq. for his three years of service. During his time as NJCCC Chairman, New Jersey's 19 community colleges achieved unprecedented successes, including the implementation of the BIG IDEAS Project, the founding of the New Jersey Center for Student Success, enhanced capital funding through the passage of the Building Our Future Bond Act, the passage of legislation that preserves the New Jersey Student Tuition Assistance Rewards Scholarship (NJ STARS) program for community college students, and the passage of legislation that provides in-county tuition for undocumented students.

The NJCCC gave Mr. Lee a framed resolution, a framed community college lapel pin set and a copy of *New Jersey: Setting the Pace for the 21st Century*, signed by all in attendance.



Pictured from left: Mercer County Community College President Dr. Patricia Donohue, NJCCC Chair Helen Albright, Bakari G. Lee, Esq., and NJCCC President Dr. Lawrence Nespoli.

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION TO HOLD 17TH ANNUAL 'HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA' ON DECEMBER 4



The Hudson County Community College (HCCC) Foundation's 17th Annual "Holiday Extravaganza" gala will take place on Thursday evening, December 4 at 6:00 p.m. at the College's Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street in Jersey City. Proceeds from the event – the largest and most festive of all

of the Foundation's fundraisers – will be dedicated to scholarships for deserving students, faculty development programs, and the College's physical expansion.

The theme of this year's event is "Travel back to the beginning ... 1974," in celebration of the College's 40th Anniversary.

Hudson County Executive Thomas A. DeGise will be honored at the gala in recognition for his steadfast support of Hudson County Community College and its students. Mr. DeGise has been particularly instrumental in supporting the College's physical expansion; since he became the

County Executive in 2002, the College has completed from-the-ground-up construction of three new facilities – the Culinary Conference Center and Library Building in Jersey City's Journal Square, and the North Hudson Higher Education Center in Union City. In addition, HCCC has renovated several other buildings in the Journal Square area, including 2 Enos Place, 70 Sip Avenue, and One PATH Plaza.

The Foundation "Holiday Extravaganza" 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/Hospitality Management program.

The Foundation will also hold its "Lucky Odds" raffle that evening. The Grand Prize winner receives 40% of the raffle ticket sales, Second Prize winner receives 6% and Third Prize winner receives 4%. Raffle tickets cost \$50 each; ticket holders need not be present to win.

The Hudson County Community College Foundation is a nonprofit 501 (c) 3 corporation giving tax-exempt status to contributors. Since the Foundation was established in 1997, it has provided over \$1.5 million in scholarships to more than 1,000 students.

In addition, the HCCC Foundation established the Foundation Art Collection eight years ago to coincide with

PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY NEWS

Making Strides against Breast Cancer

On Sunday, Oct. 19, the American Breast Cancer Society held its annual "Making Strides against Breast Cancer" walk in Jersey City's Lincoln Park. Many students from Hudson County Community College contributed to this event. Phi Theta Kappa members Oliver Pavot, Michele Preda, Carla Najarro, Daryl Moreno, Doris Nicholson, Aaron Kates, Professor Ted Lai, and past Chapter President, Tamiria Tate volunteered at the food tent. They met Hudson County Community College and Phi Theta Kappa alumni as they volunteered.

Halloween Party

Beta Alpha Phi Chapter hosted its annual party for children on Friday, Oct. 31. Special thanks to 7-Eleven, EOF Alliance, Catherine Mascis, Corry Kho, and the Center for Academic and Student Success (CASS) for donating refreshments; to the volunteers from the Beta Alpha Phi Chapter, Business Club, Gaming Central, Student Government Association, Art Club, Human Services, Teacher Education, and to the Office of Student Activities for the use of decorations. Thank you to the more than 100 children and their families for pro-

viding the food donations (four boxes' worth), which have been donated to the Garden State Episcopal Community Development Corporation food pantry, where many Phi Theta Kappa current and alumni members volunteer each month.

Fall Induction

Beta Alpha Phi Chapter held its Fall Induction on Sunday, Nov. 2 at the Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. Guest speakers included Dr. Eric Friedman, Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Megan Giles, Division I Vice President. Past Executive Vice President of the Alpha Nu Omega Chapter at Harrisburg Area Community College, and the 2013-4 Middle States Regional President.

Middle States Regional Fellowship and Convention

The Middle States Region will host its pre-convention fellowship event on March 12 and 13, 2015, and the convention on March 13-15, 2015 in Parsippany, N.J. There will be guest lecturers, workshops, and awards. For details, visit www.ptkms.org.



On Sunday, Oct. 19, Prof. Ted Lai, Carla Najarro, Tamiria Tate (past Chapter President), Michele Preda, Aaron Kates, and Oliver Pavot volunteered at the American Cancer Society's "Making Strides against Breast Cancer" walk at Lincoln Park, Jersey City.

Phi Theta Kappa International Convention

The 2015 convention will be held in San Antonio, Texas from April 16-18, 2015. Lectures, workshops, awards, elections and more will comprise the three days of the event. For more information on the convention, please visit www.ptk.org.

CENTER FOR BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY NEWS

CBI, in partnership with Hudson County Office of Veterans & Disability Services and Catholic Family & Community Services, held a Veterans Resource and Job Fair at the Culinary Conference Center on Saturday, Nov. 8. Attendees were able to attend workshops geared towards understanding veterans' benefits and housing, as well as promoting mental health. Although only 56 attendees came by that morning, over 30 combined service providers and employers came out in support of our veterans. County Executive Thomas A. DeGise was on hand to welcome vendors and give the opening remarks.

On Tuesday, Dec. 9, CBI will hold a Lunch & Learn in Adult Learning Principles. Other WorkFirst vendors are invited to network and share best practices with each other over delicious food.

Later that evening, the Retail, Hospitality and Tourism Talent Network joins CBI in hosting a Holiday Soiree. Paul Dillon, Associate Dean for Business, Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management, will be honored that evening for his years of service to the field of hospitality. Businesses in the retail, hospitality and tourism industries are invited. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Ana Chapman-McCausland at achapman@hccc.edu or (201) 360-4242. Interested persons may also register online at <http://tinyurl.com/m5ebpyc>.

On Thursday, Dec. 18, CBI joins the Hudson County Chamber of Commerce and Hudson County Department of Parks & Community Services in hosting "Access to Capital, New & Emergent Financing Trends." Designed to help small business owners learn about financing available to them, the event will



Graduates from the first Mortgage Loan Officers Training class. Front row: Raul Sanchez, Soumaya Hanna, Delores Price, Shamethia Dyer, Latisha Rosa Back row: Bob Rosa (NJ Community College Consortium), Patrick J. Mullen (NJ Department of Banking and Insurance), Regina Alfieri, Nessin Azucar, Edward Kenmure (Instructor), Donna Hubbard, Daniel Lim (NJ Community College Consortium), Dr. Eric Friedman (HCCC).

consist of two panels. The first will be on the current funding environment and will include microlenders as well as new and emerging options for business owners. The second panel, which will be moderated by Ara Karakashian (instructor at the Culinary Arts Institute), will be a discussion with business owners on their experience financing and growing their business. For more information, call CBI at (201) 360-4247.

CBI wishes everyone and their families a happy and healthy holiday season!

Get free training for your business!

Your business may be eligible for free training in Microsoft Office products, Customer Service, Communications, English as a Second Language, and Spanish in the Workplace. If you are interested in more information, please contact Catherine Mirasol at cmirasol@hccc.edu or (201) 360-4241.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

December

- Tuesday, December 9: Lunch and Learn – "Adult Learning Principles" for Hudson County WorkFirst vendors
- Tuesday, December 9: Holiday Soiree with Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism Talent Network
- Thursday, December 18: Access to Capital, New & Emergent Financing Trends

February

- Tuesday, February 3: Lunch and Learn – "Black History Month"

March

- Wednesday, March 25: Girls in Technology Symposium

Visit CBI on Facebook and Twitter! View upcoming events, look through past event pictures, and get the latest news on training opportunities. "Like" us on Facebook - www.facebook.com/cbihudsoncounty and "Follow" us on Twitter - twitter.com/cbihudsoncounty.

WE'RE MOVING!

The Office of Human Resources is moving to 81 Sip Avenue (Building G), Mezzanine Level. The relocation should be completed before the holiday break.

During this time, the Department will maintain regular hours of operation at 70 Sip Avenue, Third Floor – Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please pardon our appearance and accessibility during the transition of moving our office location.

Look out for updates and an announcement for the grand opening of the new Human Resources Department coming in 2015!

The new accessible space and location will continue to achieve the HR mission and goals to serve all the employees of the College with the highest standards of integrity, leadership, innovation, knowledge, efficiency, honesty and respect.



Come join us
for the
HOLIDAY FESTIVITIES!

**HCCC EMPLOYEE
HOLIDAY RECEPTION**

Monday, December 8, 2014
2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
at the Culinary Conference Center

*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*

CALL FOR POSTER SESSION PROPOSALS BE A PART OF HCCC'S SECOND ANNUAL COLLEGE SERVICE DAY POSTER SESSION

Have 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 us at the second annual HCCC College Service Day Poster Session on Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2015!

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 Second Annual 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. 19 and should be sent to postersessions@hccc.edu. Confirmation of acceptance of the submission will be sent to the presenter on Dec. 23. Any questions you have should be directed to Dr. Paula Pando at ppando@hccc.edu

MILESTONES

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

10 Years
Michael Reimer

JOBS

Applicants are now being sought
for the following positions:

*Assistant Registrar
(Enrollment Services Department)*

Associate Director, Student Financial Assistance

Chief Financial Officer (CFO)

*College Lecturer
(Academic Foundations English)*

College Lecturer (Business)

College Lecturer (Criminal Justice)

College Lecturer (Health Services)

College Lecturer (Humanities)

General Accountant (Controller's Office)

*Instructional Designer and Technologist,
Center for Online Learning*

Library Clerical Assistant –Technology

Manager of Web & Portal Services

PC Technician

Secretaries - STEM and Social Sciences

Senior Accountant (2 positions)

Student Accounts Coordinator

Student Financial Assistance Specialist

Transfer Student Coordinator/Recruiter

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.

NEW HIRE/TITLES

Antonio Acevedo, College Lecturer

*Kadeedra Jennings,
Secretary, Center for Online Learning*

Melissa Lontoc, College Lecturer

Steven Mercado, Admissions Recruiter

*Christiane Warren,
Associate Dean of Social Sciences*

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 Acknowledgement

Thanks to Karen and Rick Fahrenholz for their generous donation in honor Dr. Glen Gabert and Gregory D. Ratcliff in celebration of their marriage.

Thanks to the HCCC Community for donating 500 works of fine art in the last 5 years. Because of your amazing support and generosity, we have a wonderful collection displayed throughout the public areas of the college.

As the year draws to a close, you might enjoy walking around campus to see the new artwork that has been installed this year. Favorite areas include the student artwork and the pop, surrealist and minimalist work from the 1960s on the fifth floor of the new Library Building, the gallery of Edward S. Curtis photogravures on the fourth floor of the Library Building and, in the library itself, work by Jo Baer, William Wegman, Reginald Marsh, Valeri Larko, Mickalene Thomas, Will Barnett, Rockwell Kent, and others on the first floor, and work by Willie Cole, Leonard Baskin, Chakaia Booker, Donald Baechler, and Ibrahim Ahmed on the second floor. We have also heard good reviews of Kimberly Camp's work in the corridor between Buildings C and D at 162 Sip Avenue, and the new Zarovnyaya monoprint at 119 Newkirk Street (Building I) on the first floor.

Art fans have also noted the arrival of work by Will Barnett, Demetrio Alfonso, and many other wonderful talents at the North Hudson Higher Education Center. More artwork by the Blue



Chapel nuns has been installed, so if you haven't been upstairs to the seventh floor in a while, go take a look.

Please note that the Foundation Art Collection offices are now located in L 614 (Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue). Please come by for a visit! All suggestions are welcome.

Artist News

Carl Andre, a controversial artist whose work will be installed at 2 Enos Place early next year, is having a show, "Carl Andre: Sculpture as Place, 1958-2010" at Dia: Beacon through March 15, 2015. If you've never taken the drive up to Dia: Beacon in Beacon, New York, and you like strange art experiences, this may be worth a road trip one weekend. An old factory, that covered acres of land, has been converted to an enormous minimalist art space. As one critic said, "The art isn't great, but the space is beautiful." Likewise, many critics cannot stand Carl Andre's work. Because it's so minimalist, they often have difficulty seeing it, or seeing it as art. This is the first survey of Andre's work in 36 years, but be prepared to be underwhelmed: Even though 50 of his works are there, he is famous in part for dispensing with a studio and gathering industrial materials such as brick, copper tile or raw timber locally for each show. Andre then made art by sectioning or stacking the materials in geometric patterns on the floor, thereby disrupting every convention of sculpture.

Chuck Close, whose print work *Phil* hangs in the North Hudson library, is the subject of a major print exhibition at the Museum of Contemporary

We are pleased to report the arrival of the 2014 Print Club of New York presentation print, "Here Come Moses," by Faith Ringgold. The Master printers are Curlee Raven Holton and Jase Clark. This was printed with 11 different screens and colors. Ringgold says the work draws from the roles of both the Underground Railroad and the Great Migration in African-American history. In addition, Jones Road references her own home in New Jersey. Please look for installation of this work and work by Curlee Raven Holton next year.

Art Australia, "Chuck Close: Prints, Process and Collaboration," through March 2015. The show focuses on the artist's prints, including etchings, lithographs, silkscreens and woodcuts. There are wonderful ways to find out more about Close, simply by using your smartphone: If you like Close's work, you might enjoy this YouTube video where he discusses how he uses grids to create his signature work. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_e-p5M0vhZI

Marcel Duchamp, a renowned surrealist artist, designed a work of art which was recently installed on the fifth floor of the new Library Building. Duchamp is famous in part for taking a ready-made urinal and calling it "art." Now, evidence is emerging that he "stole" this work from a woman poet. According to a recent report in *The Art Newspaper*, "The Moderna Museet, Stockholm, the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, Tate Modern, the National Gallery of Canada, the National Museum of Modern Art, Kyoto, Indiana University Art Museum, Bloomington, the Centre Pompidou, Paris and the Israel Museum should all re-label their copies of *Fountain* as 'a replica, appropriated by Marcel Duchamp (1887-1968), of an original by Baroness Elsa von Freytag-Loringhoven (1874-1927).'"

David Beck, whose work is in the North Hudson library, will be part of an exhibition at Washington, D.C.'s Smithsonian Institution, "The Singing and the Silence: Birds in Contemporary Art," through February 22, 2015. He is also the subject of a new documentary, "Curious Worlds: The Art and Imagination of David Beck," which will be released this year. It's worth a visit to his website to look at some of his animated sculptures: <http://davidbeckartworks.com/videos>

Gordon Parks, whose work Place de la Concorde is on exhibit on the 4th floor lobby of 70 Sip Avenue, is being celebrated in a new exhibition called "Gordon Parks: Segregation Story" at the High Museum in Atlanta, Georgia through June 2015. This exhibition showcases more than forty color photographs by the trailblazing African American artist, many on view for the first time. Created for an influential 1950s Life magazine article, these photographs offer a powerful look at the daily life and struggles of a multigenerational family living in segregated Alabama. If you are interested in work by and about African American artists at the college, please email ASiegel@hccc.edu for a directory. A map of the work will be available for Black History month for a self-guided tour.

HCCC FOUNDATION 'ARTS TALK' FEATURES LEADING EXPERT IN RECOVERING STOLEN ART



On Friday, Nov. 7, Sharon Cohen Levin, Chief of Asset Forfeiture and Money Laundering, U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York, who is one of the nation's leading art crime solvers, gave a fascinating talk in the Follett Lounge at Hudson County Community College, in the Culinary Conference Center. Levin spoke about recovering stolen Nazi loot and art, specifically, Egon Schiele's *Portrait of Wally*. This was an excellent social history talk, especially for people interested in criminal justice, history, sociology, or art. Thanks to the community for the lively Q & A period. We learned a lot!

NOTIBREVES

LA FUNDACIÓN DE HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE PRESENTA SU DÉCIMO SÉPTIMA GALA ANUAL EL 4 DE DICIEMBRE

La 17va Gala Anual de la Fundación de Hudson County Community College (HCCC), se llevará a cabo el Jueves, Diciembre 4 a las 6:00 p.m. en el Centro de Conferencias – Artes Culinarias de la Universidad, 161 Newkirk Street en Jersey City. Los fondos recaudados en el evento – el más grande y festivo de los eventos de recaudación de fondos – serán dedicados a becas para estudiantes merecedores, programas para desarrollo de la facultad, y la expansión física de la Universidad.

La celebración de este año será “Viaje al inicio ... 1974,” conmemorando el aniversario 40 de la Universidad.

Thomas A. DeGise, Ejecutivo del Condado de Hudson, será honrado en la Gala, en reconocimiento a su apoyo de Hudson County Community College y sus estudiantes. El Sr. DeGise ha sido particularmente instrumental en la asistencia para la expansión física de la Universidad; desde que se convirtió en Ejecutivo del Condado en el 2002, la Universidad ha completado construcciones de tres nuevos edificios – el Centro de Conferencias – Artes Culinarias y el Edificio de la Biblioteca en Journal Square, Jersey City, y el Centro de Educación Superior de North Hudson, en Union City. Además, HCCC ha restaurado varios otros edificios en el área de Journal Square, incluyendo 2 Enos Place, 70 Sip Avenue, y One PATH Plaza.

La Gala incluye una hora de cocktail y una cena gourmet preparada por chefs/instructores del nacionalmente aclamado Instituto de Artes Culinarias de la Universidad, con el servicio proveído por los estudiantes del programa de Artes Culinarias/Administración Hotelera de HCCC.

La Fundación también sostendrá su rifa “Lucky Odds” esta noche. El ganador del Premio

Mayor recibirá 40% de los fondos de la venta de boletos, el Segundo Premio recibirá el 6% y el Tercer premio 4%. El costo de boletos para la rifa es de \$50 dólares cada uno; no es necesario estar presente 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, la Fundación de HCCC estableció la Colección de Arte de la Fundación hace ocho años, para coincidir con el inicio del programa de Bellas Artes de la Universidad. Actualmente, la Colección incluye más de 800 pinturas, litografías, fotografías, esculturas, y otros trabajos artísticos, que están en exhibición en todos los edificios del campus de Journal Square y en el Centro de Educación Superior de North Hudson. Entre los artistas incluidos en la Colección están: Donald Baechler, Leonard Baskin, Elizabeth Catlett, Christo, Willie Cole, Edward S. Curtis, Marcel Duchamp, Lisa Parker Hyatt, Rockwell Kent, Joseph Kosuth, Valeri Larko, Roy Lichtenstein, Reginald Marsh, Méret Oppenheim, Robert Rauschenberg, Man Ray, Mickalene Thomas, and William Wegman.

La Fundación también auspicia una serie de presentaciones llamadas “Artist Talk,” que resalta a artistas y autoridades en arte, que están abiertas al público.

La Junta de Directores de la Fundación de HCCC también organiza y auspicia el Abierto de Golf, “Noche de Carreras,” y el Almuerzo para Becas – Empleados de HCCC. Existen otros eventos durante el año para recaudar fondos para ayudar a estudiantes específicamente de las municipalidades del norte y oeste del Condado de Hudson.



Thomas A DeGise, Ejecutivo del Condado de Hudson será homenajeado en la Gala Anual de la Fundación de Hudson County Community College, por sus innumerables contribuciones y apoyo a la expansión física de la Universidad y a sus estudiantes.

Un número limitado de boletos para la Gala del 4 de Diciembre aún están disponibles, a un costo de \$500 cada uno. Estos boletos – así como los de la rifa – pueden ser adquiridos llamando a Joseph Sansone, Vicepresidente de Desarrollo de HCCC al 201-360-4006 o enviando un correo electrónico a jsansone@hccc.edu.

Inscríbese a Connect-ED con HCCC!



Hudson County Community College ha implementado Connect-ED, un sistema de alerta de emergencias, de texto y voz, en caso de una crisis o emergencia, que posea un inmediato y eminente peligro a la comunidad universitaria.

Connect-ED es la respuesta de HCCC a una ley federal que requiere la emisión de información acerca de crimen y seguridad en el campus. Este sistema permitirá que la Universidad envíe notificaciones, dentro de un marco de tiempo inmediato, por teléfono, correo electrónico y/o mensaje de texto.

Estudiantes y empleados de HCCC han sido automáticamente registrados en el sistema de alerta de emergencias y recibirán alertas en sus correos electrónicos de HCCC a menos que opten por no recibirlos. Usuarios pueden acceder la página electrónica de la Universidad, www.hccc.edu, haciendo click en Connect-ED para registrar información de contacto adicional, tales como números de teléfono de casa, trabajo y celular.

Gratis y Confidencial: HCCC proveerá este servicio de emergencia sin costo alguno a estudiantes y empleados – y no hay cargos por registrarse. Por otra parte, los proveedores de servicios móviles podrían cobrar por mensajes entrantes, dependiendo del plan del individuo. Información personal ingresada al sistema de Connect-ED se mantendrá confidencial y no será usada para ningún otro propósito. **Para más información acerca de Connect-Ed visite www.hccc.edu/emergency**

Manténgase informado registrándose para Connect-ED hoy!

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.



Phil Cafasso,
Professor, Culinary
Arts and Humanities

Having earned a bachelor's degree in English from Kean University (formerly Kean College of New Jersey), Professor Cafasso set out on a career in newspapers and then public relations. "I didn't love what I was doing," he said. A relative was working at Hudson County Community College and she told Phil about the renowned culinary arts program in Jersey City, knowing how much he enjoyed food and everything about it. "I left my job in PR and came to culinary school at Hudson. I looked at the Culinary Institute of America, but it was very, very expensive. Best choice I ever made. I loved it."

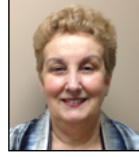
Phil comes from a family in which he was part of the first generation of college students. He dove into HCCC's program and graduated *summa cum laude*. After culinary school, he landed a job at New York's famous Rainbow Room in the garde manger (cold foods) area of the kitchen. After his long shifts in one of New York's busiest restaurants, he occasionally came by the culinary program to visit with Ernie Staltari, the former Director of the culinary program. During one of his visits, Mr. Staltari asked him if he would be interested in teaching a sanitation course since one of the adjunct chef instructors had left HCCC on short notice. Phil agreed and was on the path towards becoming an instructor in our award-winning Culinary Arts Institute. The offer of a table service class exposed him to another dimension of teaching. With Siroun Meguerditchian's assistance he learned the ins and outs of teaching table service and eventually accepted a full-time post. For 19 years, Phil taught table service to aspiring chefs and restaurant workers. He earned tenure in 1993.

Phil has always been deeply interested in food worlds and the myriad cultural issues attached to food. He is an obsessive reader and was profoundly affected by Reay Tannahill's important book,

Food in History. "The whole idea of looking at the world through food, of thinking about why we eat as we do, this fascinated me," he said. With Elaine Foster's support, he developed a course in Food and Culture and has been teaching it concurrently with culinary arts. By this time, he had earned a master's degree in Hospitality Management from Fairleigh Dickinson University with a specialty in the history of food, restaurants, and the guild systems around chef positions. The HCCC course has become very popular with students and usually fills five sections in a semester. Phil aspires to create an honors section of the course.

For a short while, in the interregnum between Siroun Meguerditchian and Dennis Baumeier, he supervised the culinary arts program. "I manned the phones and moved the registration process forward. It was a busy time." In the fall of 2014, he stepped into an interim role as Associate Dean of Social Sciences. "I was surprised to hear faculty members telling me what a great job I was doing. Our division meetings have been productive and I've been glad to be able to serve the institution in a time of need." As Associate Dean, he has been setting the agenda for the division meetings, hiring and scheduling adjunct instructors, participating in interviewing candidates for the 12-month history position, and solving a host of student issues including plagiarism and student conflicts with instructors. In the spring, he will return to teaching with some administrative duties.

"The culinary faculty has stayed intact over the years, and there's a tremendous esprit de corps in our division," Phil states. "When I walk over to the culinary building, I have a tremendous sense of coming home." He continues to read voraciously and has included Michael Pollan's works in his courses, especially *The Omnivore's Dilemma*. "I love Stephen King's work as well and highly recommend *11/22/63*, one of his recent books."



Mercy Martinez,
Clerk, Bursar's Office

Mercy Martinez has been a team member in the Bursar's office for three decades. Her first job at Hudson County Community College was in the HR department, where she worked for six months. She started taking Computer Science classes at HCCC in 1982 and gained foundational experience in the work-study program assisting the Bursar. "They were the very first computers; everything was done manually," she reflected. "We ran reports by hand and checked one by one to make sure all of the amounts were correct."

Mercy was an only child and came to Florida from Cuba when she was 18 years old. She has a deep understanding of the hard work it takes to nurture and support a family. She got married and had children, eventually moving to New Jersey with her parents. "When I was in Cuba," she said, "I didn't want to continue on in school but I needed to. I stayed through high school and into a preparation school. It was a hard time there; both of my parents worked to make sure I had what I needed." She laughed when she said that after moving to New Jersey and enrolling at HCCC, she found herself doing homework at the same time that her daughter was doing homework.

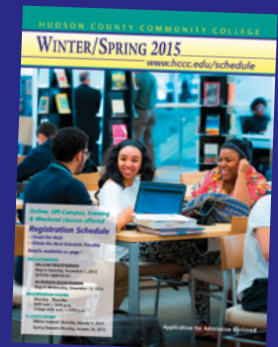
On a typical work day, Mercy interacts with students as they make their payments and negotiate the processes of financial aid. She processes stop-payments when checks are lost and manages chargebacks for students who live out of county. Third-party billing falls under her umbrella as well.

The College has become a success, she stated, and "it has become a place that helps students who move on to other colleges." Sometimes, students whom she has assisted come back to let her know how they are doing. "They come to say hello and students from Culinary Arts come to tell me about the restaurants they work in, the jobs they have, and even the restaurants they own. It's nice to see them successful."

Once in a while, Mercy encounters a student who wants to challenge an aspect of the chargeback process. "They want to fight sometimes but I explain things clearly. It can be confusing for them. The one-on-one approach works. Then they say they're sorry."

When Mercy started working at HCCC in the eighties, the College only owned one building. Today, we serve over 9,000 students in credit-bearing programs and thousands in non-credit classes. "I work with people who are nice and I get to see students that come here and they finish with us and then they go on and graduate from the next college. It's nice to see."

REGISTER NOW!



The Winter/Spring course
Schedule is now available
at www.hccc.edu/schedule

PROFESSIONAL NOTES

Using the opportunity now afforded by the State of New Jersey and recognizing their relationship of more than twenty-six years, **President Glen Gabert** and Gregory Ratcliff were married before Kearny Mayor Alberto Santos on Nov. 8.

“River’s Journey,” a documentary on the Whippany River, premiered in Morris County on Wednesday, Nov. 12. The film, which discusses the river’s history and current condition, prominently features Business Instructor **Allen Foster** and his wife. The Whippany River Watershed Action Committee and Hanover Township hired Glenn Silber, a two-time Oscar nominee, to produce and direct the documentary. The Fosters were selected to participate in the project, which was filmed from June to September throughout Morris County, after responding to an open call from WRWAC to the community for family photos, home movies or stories about the river.

On Oct. 18, **Professors Kewal Krishan** and **Theodore Lai** attended the Forum for Always Innovating Improving Outcomes through Technology, “Flipping the Switch on Today’s Classroom” hosted by Pearson Education at Kean University’s New Jersey Center for Science, Technology & Mathematics.

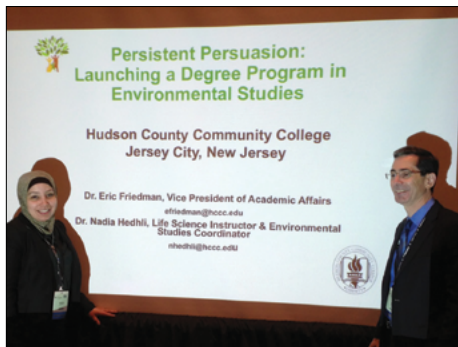
Instructor **Katie Sweeting** attended the Two-Year College Association (TYCA) Conference in Baltimore, Maryland in October. She presented a workshop on “Engaging Students in World Literature.”



Faculty Luncheon - Faculty from different divisions met over lunch in the Clare Room with Dr. Eric Friedman, Vice President for Academic Affairs. The monthly lunches are opportunities to meet with peers and the Vice President to discuss future planning and best practices. Dr. Chanida Katkanant manages the attendee lists to ensure cross-divisional interaction.



Dr. John Marlin (right), Associate Dean of Humanities, addresses Prof. Javedd Khan’s College Composition II class. The deans were invited to a special question-and-answer session with English Composition students on Monday, Nov. 24.



Dr. Eric Friedman (right), Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dr. Nadia Hedhli, Life Sciences Instructor/Environmental Studies Coordinator presented “Persistent Persuasion: Launching a Program in Environmental Studies” at the 2014 STEMtech Conference, held in Denver Nov. 9-12.



Kewal Krishan (left) and Theodore Lai at Kean University’s New Jersey Center for Science, Technology & Mathematics in October.

CENTER FOR BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY NEWS

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Pictured with HCCC President Dr. Glen Gabert (center) are Patrick J. Mullen from NJ Department of Banking and Insurance, instructor Edward Kenmure, and hiring employers from Omega Financial Services.



Pictured from left: Joann Northgrave from Hudson County Office of Veterans Affairs and Disability Services, Hudson County Executive Thomas A. DeGise, and CBI Executive Director Ana Chapman-McCausland at the Veterans Resource and Job Fair on Nov. 8, 2014.



Hudson County Executive Thomas DeGise welcoming the employers and service providers to the Veterans Resource and Job Fair.

ACCREDITATION UPDATE

On Nov. 21, 2014, the Middle States Commission on Higher Education reaffirmed the accreditation of Hudson County Community College without reservation.

The Commission has requested from the College a report on the status of strategic planning, due in April 2016.

Thank you to the many members of the College community who participated in the Periodic Review Report process.

HCCC FOUNDATION TO HOLD 17TH ANNUAL 'HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA' ON DECEMBER 4

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the initiation of the College's Fine Arts studies program. Presently, the Collection includes more than 800 paintings, lithographs, photographs, sculptures, and other works-of-art that are displayed throughout all of the buildings on the College's Journal Square Campus and at the North Hudson Higher Education Center. Artists in the Collection include: Donald Baechler, Leonard Baskin, Elizabeth Catlett, Christo, Willie Cole, Edward S. Curtis, Marcel Duchamp, Lisa Parker Hyatt, Rockwell Kent, Joseph Kosuth, Valeri Larko, Roy Lichtenstein, Reginald Marsh, Méret Oppenheim, Robert Rauschenberg, Man Ray, Mickalene Thomas, and William Wegman. The Foundation also hosts a series of lectures called "Arts Talk," which feature prominent artists and art authorities and scholars and are open to the general public.

The HCCC Foundation's Board of Directors also organizes and holds an annual Golf Outing, "Night at the Races," and the HCCC Employee Scholarship Luncheon. There are other events 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 4th 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 HCCC Vice President for Development Joseph Sansone at 201-360-4006 or emailing jsansone@hccc.edu.

BEST PRACTICES 2015: SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL NOW!

The New Jersey Council of County Colleges is now accepting presentation proposals from New Jersey community college administrators, faculty and staff for the 2015 Best Practices Conference, which will be held on Friday, April 24, 2015, at Camden County College in Blackwood, N.J.

To download the Best Practices Call for Proposals form, please visit <http://www.njccc.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/BEST-PRACTICES-CALL-FOR-PROPOSALS-2015.doc>.

Please send the completed form directly to Marsha Stoltman of The Stoltman Group at marsha@thestoltmangroup.com with a copy

to info@njccc.org. The form should be sent as a Microsoft Word attachment. Do not include the instructions page. If you do not receive an e-mail reply within three business days, please contact Marsha Stoltman at 609-588-8703 or marsha@thestoltmangroup.com.

All Best Practices Proposals must be received by Monday, Dec. 1, 2014.

Please contact Marsha Stoltman of The Stoltman Group at 609-588-8703 or marsha@thestoltmangroup.com should you have any questions regarding the 2015 Best Practices Conference Call for Proposals.

Feeling Lucky? LUCKY ODDS RAFFLE



Grand Prize 40% of ticket sales

Second Prize 6% of ticket sales

Third Prize 4% of ticket sales

Enter the Hudson County Community College Foundation's "Lucky Odds Raffle!"

Tickets \$50 each

Winning ticket will be drawn at the
17th Annual Holiday Extravaganza on
Thursday, December 4, 2014 at 8 p.m.
(winner need not be present)

TO PURCHASE A RAFFLE TICKET OR FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Please contact Joseph Sansone,
Vice President for Development
at jsansone@hccc.edu or (201) 360-4006.

HCCC CULINARY STUDENTS DISPLAY COOL TALENT



For those who attended Hudson County Community College's Trick or Transfer College Fair on Oct. 30, the treats were outdoors too! Once again, students from the Culinary Arts

Institute wowed passers-by as they designed ice sculptures in the park outside the Culinary Conference



HCCC VISITS BUDDHIST MONASTERY



HCCC students learn meditation techniques at the Chuang Yen Chinese Buddhist monastery in Carmel, N.Y. on Saturday, Oct. 4

A demonstration in meditation at the Chuang Yen Monastery. The monastery is situated on 225 acres of land.

HCCC WELCOMES ACTOR, PRODUCER, AND DIRECTOR GIANCARLO ESPOSITO



Giancarlo Esposito (left) speaks to HCCC Theatre Arts students about his experiences.



Actor Giancarlo Esposito responds to questions from the audience.



"Ask for what you want." Giancarlo Esposito imparted a number of life lessons during his talk at HCCC.

Acclaimed actor, producer and director Giancarlo Esposito spoke at Hudson County Community College on Thursday evening, Nov. 13. Esposito is perhaps best known for his portrayal of Gus Fring on the AMC drama "Breaking Bad." He has extensive film, television and theatre experience.

Quiet Hand Productions, Esposito's production company, aspires to make "conscious content" films that focus on the inspirational. He made his directorial debut with the company's film, "Gospel Hill," and has several projects currently in development.

To view photos from this lecture, please visit www.digiproofs.com, password 111314 HCCC.

FALL CAREER FAIR



The Fall Career Fair brought students and employers together with opportunities. Students were able to complete applications and participate in informational interviews.



Mildred Gergues (right) is greeted by Edwin Morales of The Westin Jersey City Newport.

On Thursday, Nov. 6, Career & Transfer Services and the Culinary Arts Institute co-sponsored a Career Fair for Hudson County Community College students. Attendees interacted with companies regarding internships and employment. Just prior to the Fair, sessions on professional attire were held.

HCCC OBSERVES LEARNING COMMUNITIES DAY



A group of students from the Psychology LC made this model of a brain (limbic system) for Learning Communities Day.

The Fall 2014 Learning Community Day (LC Students' Showcase), held on Thursday, Nov. 13, was a great success with more than 200 people attending the event.

LC students were excited to have an opportunity to showcase their best work, which included a poster session, reflections on the LC experience, and presentations.

The Poster Session had the highest number of displays: 37 posters boards on different topics from various disciplines, such as Psychology, Sociology, Culinary Arts, English and Speech. Some of the topics were: Dreams, Sleep Apnea, The Other Wes Moore, Diabetic Food, Breathtaking Places on Earth, and many more. One group of students even made a model of a brain.

During LC Day, outstanding LC students, nominated by their LC faculty, were recognized for their exceptional class performance in all of the linked courses of an LC. Each of these nominated students received a Certificate of Recogni-



Learning Community students Olga Consegre (left) and Zein Kasbo display their Poster Boards on LC projects.

tion, in one of the two categories: Academic Excellence or Academic Achievement. 30 LC students from different LCs, received these awards.

CASS DEPARTMENT ROLLS OUT THE RED CARPET



CASS counselors assisting students with online registration.

The Center for Academic and Student Success (CASS) department kicked off the spring student registration in style with a series of online workshops for HCCC students. The workshops consisted of students receiving a one-on-one guide to online registration through use of the HCCC Liberty Link Student Portal.

Students who have completed, or are enrolled in ENG 101 are eligible to register themselves online. Registration is convenient and easy to use! No need to wait among the long lines and crowds in January. The earlier the better!

To register for classes online:

1. Sign into to your "MyHudson" account.
2. Click the Liberty Link tab
3. "Register for Sections" link
4. Choose the "Search and Register" link
5. Choose the term for enrollment
Winter 2015 or Spring 2015
6. Register!

COLLEGE STUDENT SUCCESS CANNED FOOD DRIVE WINNERS ANNOUNCED



College Student Success section 03 collected the most canned food items among the eight-week sections of CSS and were rewarded with a pizza party.

Congratulations to Rebecca Davis and CSS-100-03 for winning the Food Drive competition for the eight-week sections of College Student Success!

The winners of the competition for the Journal Square and NHHEC 15-week sections will be announced in a future edition of HCCC Happenings. They will win a pizza party, as did section CSS-100-03.

The food drive competition is part of the First Year Experience, which encourages new students to participate in community service. The donations of canned goods were donated to the Vet Center of Secaucus Food Pantry.

HCCC ATTENDS DODGE POETRY FESTIVAL



On Oct. 25, the Office of Student Activities teamed up with members of the Humanities Division (Profs. Alison Bach, Joseph Colicchio, and Susannah Wexler) to bring a busload of students to the Dodge Poetry Festival, one of the premier poetry events in America. (Can you find the two faculty members trying to pass themselves off as students?)



Students check into the Dodge Poetry Festival at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center.

Adjunct Faculty Appreciation Night

Thursday, December 11, 2014

5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Culinary Conference Center, Scott Ring Room
161 Newkirk Street, Jersey City, NJ

Hudson County Community College and the Academic Affairs Division is honored to show its appreciation to all our outstanding Adjunct Faculty members and your many contributions to student success and institutional progress. Your service and dedication to the College is worthy of this demonstration of gratitude.

There will be food, friends and fun. Plus, come and meet adjunct faculty, coordinators, deans and others. It's going to be an evening of appreciation and empowerment.

Hosted by
Office of the Assistant to the
Vice President of Academic Affairs

R.S.V.P. by
December 1, 2014
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HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEE BAKARI G. LEE, ESQ. IS ELECTED VICE CHAIR OF THE ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES

Bakari G. Lee, Esq., Vice Chairman of the Hudson County Community College (HCCC) Board of Trustees, was elected Vice Chair of the Association of Community College Trustees' Board of Directors at that organization's Annual Leadership Congress in October in Chicago, Illinois. This election also places Mr. Lee in line to become national chair in two years. Last year, Mr. Lee was elected to the Executive Committee in the office of Secretary-Treasurer.

Founded in 1972, the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) is the nonprofit educational organization of governing boards, representing more than 6,500 elected and appointed trustees of community, technical, and junior colleges in the United States and beyond. ACCT's purpose is to strengthen the capacity of community, technical, and junior colleges and to foster the realization of their missions through effective board leadership at local, state, and national levels.

Mr. Lee, a partner with the law firm of McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, was appointed to the HCCC Board of Trustees in 2006. He was elected to the ACCT Board of Directors and the office of Northeast Region Chair in 2011. Prior to that, he served as Associate Member of the ACCT Governance and Bylaws Committee, and he has served on several ad hoc committees. In his role as Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Lee also chaired ACCT's Finance and Audit Committee.

Mr. Lee served as the Chairman of the New Jersey Council of County Colleges (Council) and concluded his third and final term as Chairman in November. Prior to serving as Chairman, he chaired the Council's Legislative Committee. He will continue to serve as a Trustee Ambassador for the Council.

A graduate of Florida A&M University, Mr. Lee earned his Juris Doctorate from the Rutgers University School of Law-Newark. He was admitted into the practice of law in the State of New Jersey and the United States District Court of New Jersey in 2004,



Trustee Bakari G. Lee, Esq. (left) takes the oath of office as Vice Chair of the Association of Community College Trustees' Board of Directors during the ACCT Board of Directors meeting on Friday, October 24, 2014. Pictured with Trustee Lee is ACCT Chair-elect Roberto Zarate, a trustee from Alamo Colleges, Texas. (Copyright 2014 Association of Community College Trustees. Photo by Kevin Sarnwick)

and in the State of New York in 2007.

Before joining McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, Mr. Lee served as a law clerk for the Honorable Darryl Dean Donohue of the Territorial Court of the Virgin Islands - St. Croix Division. Mr. Lee was a Senior Business Analyst in the Animal Health Division of Pfizer, supporting the Division's business development and strategic planning initiatives.

Mr. Lee is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., having previously served as President of the Jersey City graduate chapter. Mr. Lee's other community service initiatives include his rites of passage program targeted at socio-economically disadvantaged youth in Morristown, New Jersey; a mentorship program for African-American middle school children in Newark, New Jersey; and a scholarship program for high achieving African-American males in northern New Jersey which currently counts students attending Rutgers University, Princeton University, Harvard University, and Pennsylvania College of Technology among its scholars.

HCCC ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF PAMELA SCULLY AS CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER



Hudson County Community College (HCCC) is pleased to announce that Pamela Scully has assumed the responsibilities of Chief Information Officer (CIO) beginning November 24, 2014, overseeing the College's Information Technology division, as well as those services provided by Ellucian. She will also be involved in the College's strategic planning process, Academic Computing Committee initiatives, help develop technology best practices, and implement policies that will contribute to the College's growth.

Ms. Scully comes to Hudson County Community College from Montclair State University, where she served as Director of Information Technology, and planned, strategized, designed and implemented technology solutions that facilitated Montclair's growth. She possesses more than 15 years of experience in the information technology field, having also worked in management and supervisory positions for W&H Systems (Carlstadt, NJ), GAF Materials Corporation (Wayne, NJ), and ADP, Inc. (Roseland, NJ).

Ms. Scully earned her Master of Business Administration degree - with a concentration in IT Management - from Capella University (MN). She possesses a Bachelor of Arts degree from Kean University (NJ).

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEBUTS NEW WORK SHIRTS



The Information Technology Services (ITS) Department at Hudson County Community College recently debuted their new shirts. Each shirt bears the College logo, the wearer's name and the slogan, "We are on IT!"

The ITS team is responsible for network support and operations; academic computer labs; telecommunications; web services; PC technical support; administrative computing and computer operations.

Seated from left: Kelly Garay, Emir Rios, Idalia Chicas and Diana Perez. Center row from left: Francis Dillon, Sandra Aviles, Russel Taboso and Hardik Sanghavi. Rear row from left: Lawrence Louie, Kevin Eng, and Benjamin Cortez.

HCCC EQUIPS SECURITY, FACILITIES WITH EBOLA TRAINING

Recently, Hudson County Community College provided information sessions on Ebola for members of the security and custodial departments. The training was provided in order to facilitate emergency planning and preparedness in the event of an Ebola outbreak.



According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Ebola is a rare and deadly disease caused by infection with one of the Ebola virus strains. The 2014 Ebola outbreak has been the largest in history.

HCCC'S ANGEL AYALA SELECTED FOR DISNEY COLLEGE PROGRAM:



Angel Ayala, a Hudson County Community College Hospitality - Hotel and Restaurant Management major, has been selected to participate in the Disney College Program for the Spring 2015 semester.

The program, which is a paid internship, features three components: Living, Learning, and Earning. Angel will work at one of Walt Disney World's renowned hotels as a Bell Service/Greeter, where he hopes to apply and expand his leadership and service skills.

At the start of his college career, Angel became Freshman Senator of the Student Government Association, gaining a passion for assisting students, which led him to carry out a successful term as Student Government President. As an Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) student, he advocated for student rights through participating in the statewide Alliance of Educational Opportunity Fund Students of New Jersey (AESNJ) executive board. Angel is currently the president of the Hospitality Club and is working hard to ensure that all students are able to take advantage of everything HCCC has to offer.

Getting accepted into this competitive program has become one of the highlights of Angel's bright future. He will be exposed to people from all over the world, learning about different cultures and ethnic groups.

For more information about the program, please visit the Disney College Program at: <http://cp.disneycareers.com/en/default>.

2. The North Hudson Higher Education Center is currently designated as an "attendance center" by the Middle States Association. The College should pursue branch campus designation by the Middle States Association for the North Hudson Higher Education Center by filing a substantive change application by the established deadline thereby permitting complete degree programs to be offered in Union City.

3. The College has become a complex business operation, and HCCC should develop and implement updated policies and procedures to centralize contract management, purchasing and accounts payable/receivable services.

4. Funding has been secured from the County and State for a new science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) facility in Journal Square. The College should complete planning and development for a new STEM facility and begin construction.

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DR. KAREN MORGAN IVY DISCUSSES POETRY AND MATHEMATICS DURING HONORS SPEAKER SERIES



On Wednesday, Nov. 12, Dr. Karen Morgan Ivy, a member of the mathematics faculty at New Jersey City University, participated in Hudson County Community College's Honors Speaker Series. Dr. Morgan Ivy talked about her professional journey and explored the connection between mathematics and poetry in improving students' communications skills and mathematical reasoning.

The final speaker in the Fall 2014 series will be Dr. Carol Gibson-Gill on Thursday, Dec. 4 at 11 a.m. in the Culinary Conference Center. Dr. Gill is a specialist in spinal cord injury.

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOCUS GOALS - 2015

Annually, the Board of Trustees, in consultation with members of the staff and community, identifies and defines institutional priorities in the form of "focus goals". The following goals are established for the period ending December 31, 2015.

1. Several areas within the College have developed effective strategic plans. This was acknowledged by the Middle States Association in conjunction with the Periodic Review Process. At the same time it was determined that there is a need to better coordinate these separate plans and develop one comprehensive and long range strategic plan for the College with the assistance of an external consultant. The final plan should include projections for five years and include processes and procedures for ongoing evaluation and updating. At least these elements should be reflected in the final plan:

- a. A statistically based and aggressive enrollment management plan that reflects the current environment and opportunities afforded by ongoing campus development.
- b. A comprehensive plan for student success,

reflecting national trends and the work done by the New Jersey Council of County Colleges and building on the platform and component programs already in place, with measurable goals and timetables.

c. A plan for the expansion of community education that would include: making maximum use of the programming platform provided by the College Art Collection; a feasibility study for the establishment of a local history center on campus; and the promotion and expansion of the College's role as a nexus for public service programming.

d. A business plan for online instruction including facilities needs, budgets, staffing and programming.

e. An updated and comprehensive marketing plan that would not only reflect credit enrollment management, but also non-credit programming, community services, institutional image and brand.

f. An updated facilities master plan compatible with the College's strategic plan and complying with documentation requirements for Chapter 12 funding eligibility.

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 or 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.collegeboard.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

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

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.
- Please contact the Testing Center for an appointment: (201) 360-4194, -4192 or -4191.

How do I make an appointment at the HCCC Testing Center?

- HCCC students: Obtain Dean's Permission form prior to scheduling appointment
- Non-HCCC students: Research your institution's CLEP Policy
- All: Contact Testing Center for most updated appointment availability (space is limited)
- Cancellation: Avoid penalty fees by cancelling/rescheduling at least 24 advance

How do I pay for my CLEP Exam(s)?

- Purchase CLEP exam(s) through CLEP's My Account registration portal: <http://clep.collegeboard.org/started>
- Print and bring your CLEP Registration Ticket to the Testing Center on scheduled exam day (by appointment only)
- Optional: order CLEP studying materials at My Account
- HCCC students have access to free study guide at the HCCC Libraries

On the Day of the CLEP Exam:

- Arrive at least 10 minutes before the test start time
- Bring two (1) form of government-issued identification
- Print and bring CLEP Registration Ticket
- Space is limited; walk-ins not accepted

CLEP Testing will resume in February 2015 for prospective Spring/Summer 2015 graduates.

Disability Support Services

If you require special testing accommodations due to a documented disability, please contact Disability Support Services at (201) 360-4157. Once you obtain approval, please provide accommodations letter to a Testing Center staff prior to taking placement exam.

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

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

- Wednesday, Dec. 3 — College Placement Test/ Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- Thursday, Dec. 4 — College Placement Test/ Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- Friday, Dec. 5 — College Placement Test/ Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place and NHHEC
- Monday, Dec. 8 — College Placement Test/ Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- Tuesday, Dec. 9 — College Placement Test/ Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place; 9 a.m., NHHEC
- Wednesday, Dec. 10 — College Placement Test/ Assessment, 9 a.m., 1 p.m. or 5 p.m.,* 2 Enos Place
- Thursday, Dec. 11 — College Placement Test/ Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- Friday, Dec. 12 — College Placement Test/ Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place and NHHEC
- Monday, Dec. 15 — College Placement Test/ Assessment, 9 a.m., 1 p.m. or 5 p.m.,* 2 Enos Place
- Tuesday, Dec. 16 — College Placement Test/ Assessment, 9 a.m., NHHEC
- Thursday, Dec. 18 — College Placement Test/ Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- Friday, Dec. 19 — College Placement Test/ Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place and NHHEC
- Monday, Dec. 22 — College Placement Test/ Assessment, 9 a.m. or 1 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- Tuesday, 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.

Get Connect-ED with HCCC!



Hudson County Community College has implemented Connect-ED, a text- and voice-messaging emergency-alert system in the event of a crisis or emergency that poses an immediate and life-threatening danger to the College community.

Connect-ED will allow the College to send time-sensitive notifications by phone, email and/or text message.

Both HCCC students and employees have been automatically registered by College email in the emergency-alert system and will receive alerts unless they opt out. Users may access the College's web site, www.hccc.edu/emergency, and click on the Connect-ED link to register additional contact information.

Free and Confidential: HCCC will provide this emergency service free of charge to students and employees – there is no charge to sign up. However, mobile service providers may charge a fee for incoming messages depending on an individual's plan.

Personal information entered into the Connect-ED system will be kept confidential and will not be used for any other purpose.

For information about Connect-ED, visit www.hccc.edu/emergency Stay informed and get Connect-ED today!

LIBRARY COMMITTEE



On Thursday, Nov. 13, Hudson County Community College's Library Architectural Advisory Committee held its final meeting in the Follett Lounge of the Culinary Conference Center. The committee met to enjoy lunch and shared special memories of the development of the recently opened Library Building. Plaques were given to committee members.

Seated from left: Gerard Carbone (MAST Construction Services), Carol Van Houten, Jennifer Christopher, Troy Marzziotti (MAST Construction Services), Russel Taboso. Standing from left: HCCC President Dr. Glen Gabert, Patrick Del Piano, Rafael Nivar, Joseph Sansone, Thomas Brodowski, Mark Murray, Julio Maldonado, Michael Reimer.

BUSINESS PANEL DISCUSSION



On Friday, Nov. 14, faculty members from Hudson County Community College and New Jersey City University and several professionals participated in a panel discussion titled "Emerging Career Opportunities in Business, Marketing and Accounting."

MAKERSPACE – GALILEO



In November, the Library held several events in its Makerspace, a creative, "do-it-yourself" space where people can gather to create, invent, and learn. One of these events was a two-part sequence on learning about Galileo, an Arduino compatible microcontroller development board, used for creating interactive devices and tools with sensors and actuators.

READ WITH US! ... & share with us your favorite books!



The College Life Committee presents

READ & CHAT

Wednesday, December 10, 2014

5:00 p.m.

Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street, Follett Lounge
Jersey City, NJ 07306

The focus of the event is for employees to share enriching reading experiences they have had.

Open to all employees.

Refreshments provided by the Culinary Club.

(Free non-alcoholic beverages are offered. Wine will be provided at a low cost.)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, December 2

Instant Decision Day – Fairleigh Dickinson University, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 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 or call (201) 360-4150/-4152 to reserve your spot. All reservations are on a first come, first served basis.

HCCC Coffeehouse Live Performance, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

Wednesday, December 3

Instant Decision Day – Caldwell College, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 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 or call (201) 360-4150/-4152 to reserve your spot. All reservations are on a first come, first served basis.

Meet the Deans & Faculty – Library, 12 p.m., North Hudson Higher Education Center

Thursday, December 4

Honors Speaker Series: Lessons in Leadership featuring Carol M. Gibson-Gill, M.D., Spinal Cord Injury Medicine, 11 a.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street, Follett Lounge, Fifth Floor

Hudson County Community College Foundation Annual Extravaganza, 6 p.m., Culinary Conference Center

Friday, December 5

Free Flick Friday, 4 p.m., North Hudson Higher Education Center

Saturday, December 6

New Jersey Devils vs. Washington Capitals at the Prudential Center, Newark, 7 p.m. Purchase tickets at <https://hcccnjdevilsgame.eventbrite.com>

Sunday, December 7

Hudson County Community College Foundation's West Hudson Scholarship Committee is Casino Bus Trip to the Sands Casino and Christmas Village in Bethlehem, Pa. Tickets \$55 per person; for more information, please contact Joseph Sansone or Mirta Sanchez at (201) 360-4004 or msanchez@hccc.edu

Monday, December 8

Instant Decision Day – New Jersey City University, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 70 Sip Ave., Second Floor. Students must bring an official transcript and completed application.

Employee Holiday Reception, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

Make Your Own Holiday Cards, 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue, Makerspace (Room 116). De-stress from finals and make one-of-a-kind holiday cards for your family and friends

using a variety of pens, markers, decorative paper, and art supplies provided by the Library. Come to the Makerspace any time between 3:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. to participate.

Tuesday, December 9

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, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. To RSVP or for more information, please contact admissions@hccc.edu.

Center for Business & Industry Lunch & Learn in Adult Learning Principles, 12 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Ana Chapman-McCausland at achapman@hccc.edu or (201) 360-4242.

Make Your Own Holiday Cards, NHHEC Library, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Come with your ideas and we will supply the materials to make creative cards to give to your family and friends.

Center for Business & Industry Holiday Soiree with the Retail, Hospitality and Tourism Talent Network, 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street, Please RSVP at <http://tinyurl.com/m5ebpyc>.

Christmas Spectacular at Radio City Music Hall, show time 8 p.m., purchase tickets at <https://HCCCRadioCity.eventbrite.com>

Wednesday, December 10

Information session for Environmental Studies Program, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., STEM Café, 162 Sip Ave.

Instant Decision Day – Saint Peter's University, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., 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 or call (201) 360-4150/-4152 to reserve your spot. All reservations are on a first come, first served basis.

WIN BIG WEDS - BINGO, 12 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

College Life Committee presents Read & Chat, 5 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St., Follett Lounge. College employees will share enriching reading experiences they have had.

Thursday, December 11

Student Government Association Blood Drive, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge. Sign up at: <https://Tinyurl.com/HCCC07306>. For more information about eligibility, call 1-800-933-2566 or visit www.nybloodcenter.org

Honors: Getting In & Staying In, 12 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Honors Classroom Room 318. Facilitated by Prof. Decena-White, Honors

Coordinator. If your friends have asked, "How do I get into Honors classes and thrive there?," bring them to this important workshop. We will discuss the requirements, guidelines, and privileges of being a part of Honors. Come meet other Honors students, ask questions and learn about the amazing opportunities. This workshop is for both prospective and current Honors students.

Adjunct Faculty Appreciation Night, 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

Saturday, December 13 – Friday, December 19

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

Tuesday, December 16 – Thursday, December 18

Coffee and Cookies, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Lobby

Tuesday, December 16

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

Fall Theatre Festival, 6 p.m., Culinary Conference Center

Thursday, December 18

Honors End-of-Semester Dinner and Poster Session, Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St. Dinner will be served from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Poster session is 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Tuesday, December 23

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

Wednesday, December 24,

College Closed – Given for Christmas Eve

Thursday, December 25

College Closed – Given for Christmas

Friday, December 26 - Thursday, January 1

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FIGHT CHOREOGRAPHER LEADS SESSION AT HCCC



On Friday, Nov. 21, fight choreographer Rick Sordelet facilitated a workshop at Hudson County Community College. He has staged fights for numerous Broadway productions and was stunt coordinator for "Guiding Light" for 12 years.

Top: Participants pair off to practice their moves.

Bottom: Rick Sordelet (in white) demonstrates a fist-fighting technique.

'MEET THE DEANS' CONNECTS STUDENTS TO ADMINISTRATORS AND FACULTY



Pictured from left: Paul Dillon, Associate Dean, Business, Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management with an HCCC student.

On Wednesday, Nov. 5, Student Services hosted an installment of "Meet the Deans and Faculty." The session introduced students to members of the Business, Culinary Arts & Hospitality Management Division. Each academic division of the College participates in "Meet the Deans" every semester.

The final "Meet the Deans & Faculty" for Fall 2014 will feature the Libraries on Wednesday, Dec. 3 from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. at the North Hudson Higher Education Center.

FOCUS GOALS - 2015

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5. Funding has been identified to relocate and enlarge the College Book store at 162 Sip. This project should be completed.
6. Funding has been identified for an expanded and improved area to be used for tutoring and other academic support functions. The College should complete and open the Abigail Douglas-Johnson Academic Support Center in the Library Building.
7. The College currently supports strong programming in allied health. The College should develop and enter into partnerships with CarePoint Hospital and Saint Peter's University to expand and strengthen existing programs.
8. Funding has been identified to develop laboratory and teaching space on the Journal Square Campus for strengthened allied health programs. The College should develop and complete plans to modify the Joseph Cundari Building into a state-of-the-art allied health facility.
9. Allied health and STEM are projected growth areas. Initiate a two-year planning and development process for allied health and STEM programs that would not only reflect the opportunities afforded by the new science building but also changes that are occurring in allied health education and the delivery of health services in the County.
10. The College's programs and services related to career counseling are decentralized. HCCC should establish a career development center with an appropriate business plan.

STEM AT NJIT



On Nov. 20, members of Hudson County Community College's Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) facility planning committee visited the Central King Building at the New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT).

Pictured from left: Dean of Arts and Sciences Christopher Wahl, Prof. Abdallah Matari (Biology), Prof. Ahmed Rakki (Mathematics) Dr. John Nutakor (Physics), Dr. Mojdeh Tabatabaie (Engineering Science), and Dr. Paula Pando, Vice President for the North Hudson Center & Student Affairs.