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HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR 2017 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES

udson County Community College (HCCC) has announced that it will celebrate the College's 40th Annual Commencement ceremonies on Thursday, May 18, 2017. The event will be held at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark, NJ, and will begin at 6 p.m.

The keynote speaker for the event will be 2004 U.S. Presidential Candidate, former Chair of the Democratic National Committee, and three-term Governor of Vermont, Howard Dean.

The HCCC 2017 Heritage Award, which honors members of the community who have made significant contributions to the community and to the College, will be presented to one of the College's own, Joseph Sansone, the HCCC Vice President for Development and the Executive Director of the HCCC Foundation.



Vt. Governor Howard Dean Commencement Speaker



Joseph Sansone Heritage Award Recipient

Additional details on the HCCC 2017 Commencement Exercises will be provided in the future.

HCCC NURSING PROGRAM GRADUATES RANK 8TH IN STATE'S PASSING NCLEX EXAM

he New Jersey Board of Nursing/National Council of State Boards of Nursing posted the pass rates for nursing school graduates who have taken the NCLEX for the first time. The posting shows that 93.75% of graduates of the CarePoint Health School of Nursing at Hudson County Community College passed first time out, placing the program in the number eight position for passing rates among all New Jersey Registered Nursing programs and the number four position among all New Jersey associate-degree, Registered Nursing programs.

NCLEX – the National Council Licensure Exam – is a standardized test that each state board uses to determine whether or not a graduate is prepared for entry-level nursing. The NCLEX covers categories of patient needs such as: safe, effective care environment; health promotion and maintenance; psychological integrity; and physiological integrity.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, nursing is one of the fastest-growing occupations in the U.S; it is predicted there will be 439,000 new nursing jobs opening between now and 2024. The need for nurses is expected to continue growing and may reach crisis proportions as the aging nursing workforce retires and the demand for health care services soar because of the Baby Boomers aging.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics also reports the median salary for a registered nurse was \$67,490 in 2015, with the top 10% of RNs making more than \$101,630. Moreover, it

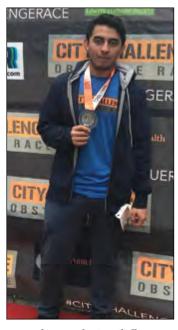


has been reported that because the demand for registered nurses has become so acute, some hospitals and health care organizations are offering signing bonuses of up to \$10,000.

The CarePoint/HCCC Nursing Program offers an Associate of Science degree that prepares graduates to be eligible for the state licensure examination required for registered nurses. The program is sanctioned by the New Jersey Board of Nursing and the ACEN – the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. It has joint admission agreements in position with a number of four-year schools, including Saint Peter's University and New Jersey City University, which enable HCCC graduates to transfer seamlessly to upper division BSN programs.

The Nursing Program was offered as a cooperative program with CarePoint Health-Christ Hospital for more than 15 years and will remain so until the Class of 2017 gradu-

PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY NEWS





De'asia Gore, Professor Jerry Lamb (criminal justice), Professor Theodore Lai (STEM), and Cledys Diaz



Alyssa France, Daryl Moreno, and Theodore Lai

Hugo Iglesias at the City Challenge Obstacle Course.

Hugo Iglesias, engineering science major and Phi Theta Kappa Vice President, ran the City Challenge Obstacle Course in downtown Jersey City on Saturday, April 22. Phi Theta Kappa members Cledys Diaz, Alyssa France, and De'asia Gore, and Phi Theta Kappa alumnus Daryl Moreno, Prof. Jerry Lamb, and Prof. Theodore Lai volunteered at City Challenge.

STEM BUILDING NEWS

By Glen Gabert, Ph.D.

onstruction is one of the fastest growing industries in Hudson County. Evidence of this is found with our new STEM Building and the neighborhood surrounding our Journal Square Campus

When the HCCC STEM Building opens this fall, the College will offer an Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree in Construction Management, which includes planning, coordinating, budgeting and supervising construction projects from start to finish.

In May 2015, it was reported that the median annual wage for construction managers was \$87,400, with the highest 10% of construction managers earning more than \$155,200. Further, the New Jersey Department of Labor projects that now through 2024, employment for construction managers is expected to grow 5-8%.

Our 60-credit program will provide students with an understanding of all phases of modern-day construction. They will learn about new construction method protocols, materials and testing procedures,



as well as management principles. In addition, special emphasis will be placed on ensuring that our graduates are able to pass the national licensing exams.

We will continue to keep you informed about all of the news on our STEM Building construction, and more importantly, the courses we will offer there.

CHEMISTRY CLUB VISITS KUEHNE CHEMICAL COMPANY



n April 6, 2017, the students of Hudson County Community College's Chemistry Club visited the Kuehne Chemical Company for an educational trip. It was a great experience for the students. They were very excited and enthusiastic to visit the plant. It provided them with a learning experience beyond the classroom scenario. They learned the 100 -year-old story behind its development, they also experience first-hand knowledge about the functioning of a chemical plant.

The Kuehne Company was founded in 1919 by the Kuehne family in Newark, New Jersey. In 1965, they built their first chlor-alkali plant in Elizabeth, New Jersey. In 1972, they moved their manufacturing facilities to Linden, New Jersey. Soon thereafter, they acquired Marzahl Chemical and moved their manufacturing and offices to South Kearny, NJ.

Kuehne continued to grow in 2000 by purchasing the chlorine and sodium hypochlorite business from Delta Chemical Corporation in Baltimore, Maryland. Kuehne commenced the manufacturing of their "Strong Bleach" in 2002, and in 2010, they announced the development of a new, state-of-the-art, brine to bleach facility in South Kearny, New Jersey, which started up in April 2015.



Coffee & Conversation with the President Spring 2017 Schedule

Thursday, May 11 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. 162-168 Sip Avenue, Second Floor

For more information, please contact Lilisa Williams at lwilliams@hccc.edu or (201) 360-4015

EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 2017 WEBINARS

he College's Employee Assistance Program, E4Health, has scheduled a series of webinars designed to assist employees and their families in various topics. Each webinar will take place each month, from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. and repeating from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. To pre-register, please visit http://www.helloe4.com/ and enter username hccc and password guest.

- Thursday, May 18: Safe and Stress-Free Summer (You've got the power to KEEP YOUR COOL)
- Thursday, June 22: Turning Negatives into Positives (You've got the power to CHANGE YOUR TUNE)
- Wednesday, July 19: Preventing Burnout:
 A Balanced Life Check-Up (You've got the power to KEEP THE SPARK)

- Wednesday, August 23: Highs and Lows of Back to School (You've got the power to MAKE THE GRADE)
- Wednesday, September 20: What We Need to Know about Diabetes (You've got the power to KNOW YOUR NUMBERS)
- Wednesday, October 18: Eating through Celebration (You've got the power to TRIM THE FAT)
- Thursday, November 16: Holiday Budgeting (You've got the power to STAY ON TRACK)
- Thursday, December 21: Winter Wellness (You've got the power to WRAP IT UP)

JOBS

Applicants are now being sought for the following positions:

Assistant Director, Admissions

College Lecturer, Health Sciences

College Lecturer, STEM

Community Education Instructors PT (multiple positions)

Counselor

Dean of Libraries

Director of Grants

DSS Coordinator Advisor

Part Time Advisor

Part Time Office Assistant for Advisement and Counseling

Part Time Office Assistant HR

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

Hudson County Community College Human Resources Department 81 Sip Avenue, Mezzanine Level 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.

'GUIDED PATHWAYS' PROGRESSES AT HCCC

In an effort to increase student enrollment, retention, graduation and transfer rates, Hudson County Community College began exploring the Guided Pathways (GP) model, a national movement that engages institutions of higher education as they design and implement integrated coherent program pathways with embedded support services so that students are provided clearer roadmaps and enhanced supports from entry to completion.

At the Fall 2016 Convocation, Academic Affairs hosted a panel, led by Dr. Eric Friedman and two workshops, led by Dean Chris Wahl and Dean Michael Reimer, to introduce various components of the GP model. The workshops and panel discussion provided faculty and staff the opportunity to gain important information, ask questions and give valuable feedback on the benefits of the model. In early Spring 2017 a repository was created on the Faculty & Staff Profes-

sional Development (FSD) portal page, where faculty and staff can go for more information and updates about GP.

In order to implement the GP model properly, HCCC created a team to determine the intended goals and outcomes of using the model. On April 20, 2017 the Office of Faculty and Staff Development (FSD) presented a workshop on *Understanding Guided Pathways*. More professional development is planned to give everyone an opportunity to learn more about GP. We invite you to visit the FSD portal page, review all of the GP news and updates, attend upcoming workshops, and stay involved in HCCC's Guided Pathways movement!

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Generator Testing and Building Closures

Please be advised that the Facilities Department will be performing generator tests in the Library Building and the North Hudson Campus.

Library Building testing is scheduled for Friday, May 19, and the North Hudson testing is scheduled for Friday, June 2.

Please note that both buildings will be closed for occupants without exception from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. Thank you for your understanding.

MILESTONES

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

One Year

David Clark Anthony Lorocco Patrick Mbong

Five Years

Jacqueline Castillo Jennifer Feliz

10 Years

Eric Friedman Christian Sanchez

RETIREMENT

Sarah Bryant Secretary, Library (effective June 30, 2017)

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE NAMED AN AACC 2017 AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE FINALIST

Ludson County Community College (HCCC) has been named as a finalist for the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) 2017 Awards of Excellence, in the "Student Success" category. The College is one of just four institutions chosen from community colleges throughout the country to contend in this category.

The national award was presented at the AACC Annual Convention on Monday, April 24 in New Orleans.

The AACC Award of Excellence in Student Success recognizes community colleges that demonstrate, through evidence, a sustained commitment to and proactively advance the cause of student success. The other institutions named as finalists in this category are Amarillo College (Texas), Pellissippi State Community College (Tennessee), and Wallace Community College – Dothan (Alabama).

Hudson County Community College was previously recognized as a finalist for the AACC

Awards of Excellence for Student Success in 2013, for Advancing Diversity in 2015, and for Exemplary CEO/Board (Glen Gabert, Ph.D.) in 2016.

The College has been the recipient of several other awards, including: the 2017 Diana Hacker TYCA Outstanding Programs in English Award, presented by Two-Year College English Association (TYCA); the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) 2016 Excellence in Academic Libraries Award (the only New Jersey institution ever to receive this honor); the Association of Community College Trustees 2012 Northeast Regional Charles Kennedy Equity Award, 2012 Northeast Regional Professional Board Staff Member Award, and 2013 Northeast Regional Marie M. Martin Chief Executive Officer Award; the National Tutoring Association 2014 Excellence in Tutoring Award; and the New Jersey Business & Industry Association New Good Neighbor Awards in 2009 (Culinary Conference Center), 2012 (North Hudson Campus), and 2015 (Library Building).



Glen Gabert, Ph.D. (center), President of Hudson County Community College, accepts recognition as a finalist in the 2017 American Association of Community Colleges' (AACC) Award of Excellence in Student Success. Gabert is pictured with Daniel J. Phelan, Ph.D., Chair of the AACC Board of Directors; and Walter G. Bumphus, Ph.D., President and CEO of AACC.

CELEBRITY CHEF ANNE BURRELL SPEAKS AT HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

he Hudson County Community College 2016-2017 Lecture Series proceeded this Spring with an appearance by American chef and television personality Anne Burrell on Thursday, March 30.

With her trademark spiky blond hair and pumped-up personality, Anne Burrell has become a star on the Food Network. She recently co-hosted Worst Cooks in America with Rachel Ray. March 30.



co-hosted Worst Cooks in Chef Anne Burrell of the Food Network was part of HCCC's Lecture Series on America with Rachel Ray.

Previously, she hosted Secrets of a Restaurant Chef. Ms. Burrell served as Mario Batali's sous chef on Iron Chef America and appeared on other Food Network programs, including The Best Thing I Ever Ate. Her current show, Chef Wanted with Anne Burrell, helps top restaurants find candidates to become executive chefs.

WORDSMITHING

Spoken word artist Lana Rose visited the North Hudson Campus Library on Thursday, April 6. She performed some of her works and led students and staff in wordsmithing challenges, inspiring them to create their own poetry.



REAL MONEY 101 CONCLUDES ON APRIL 6



The Office of Financial Assistance at Hudson County Community College held its last Financial Literacy event of our "Real Money 101" series on Thursday, April 6 at the Culinary Conference Center. The guest speaker Ed Gonzalez, Director of Business Development from Sallie Mae, who spoke about credit management, protecting your identity, and money management. Activities included games and prizes awarded to completers of the Financial Literacy Puzzle and Scrambler. Winners were awarded baskets of HCCC related items and T-shirts. They are (pictured from left) Richardo Payares, Cid Alexander, Lobsang Dolma, and Alicia Johnson. Christine Petersen (center) Associate Director of Financial Aid, coordinated the event.

JOSEPH ZARRA JOINS HCCC BOARD OF TRUSTEES



At the Hudson County Community College Board of Trustees meeting on Tuesday, April 11, Joseph Zarra (right), New Jersey Department of Education, Executive County Superintendent, was sworn in as a Board member, succeeding Monica Tone. John G. Geppert, Jr., Esq., Counsel for the Board, administered the oath of office.

HCCC WINS TYCA FOR OUTSTANDING ENGLISH PROGRAMMING



Hudson County Community College was awarded a 2017 Diana Hacker TYCA Outstanding Programs in English Award in Enhancing Developmental Education. The award was presented at the Two-Year College English Association (TYCA) annual conference for the College's Multiple Pathways in Developmental English program. Pictured from left: Christopher Wahl, Dean of Instruction/Arts; William J. Netchert, Esq., Chair of the Board of Trustees; Elizabeth Nesius, Director, English Department (who accepted the award at the conference); and Joseph Caniglia, Assistant Professor, English. The presentation was made at the meeting of the Board of Trustees on April 11.

NURSING INFO SESSION



On Monday, April 10, Linda Schultz-Whitlock, Director of Practical Nursing facilitated an information session for people interested in the Practical Nursing program offered by the College. A session for the Registered Nursing program took place later that day.

EOF STUDENTS ON DEAN'S LIST LUNCH AT CULINARY CAFÉ



n Tuesday, March 28, the Educational Opportunity Fund Program treated EOF students to lunch at the Culinary Café. The 12 students pictured made, Dean's List for the Fall 2016 semester. A total of 23 EOF students reached this important accolade this past semester. The students had a great time with the EOF staff enjoying the very best of the Hudson County Community College cuisine while being honored for their academic accomplishments.

HCCC NURSING PROGRAM GRADUATES RANK 8TH IN STATE'S PASSING NCLEX EXAM

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ates. The program was physically relocated to the College in 2015. Students now take classes on the College's Journal Square Campus, and fulfill their clinical training at local hospitals.

The CarePoint/HCCC Nursing Program faculty includes qualified and experienced instructors who hold at least master's degrees. Students have the advantage of learning in a facility equipped with the newest technologies in nursing as the HCCC Cundari Building was renovated specifically to accommodate the program and includes state-of-the-art simulated rooms in various hospital settings (pediatrics, OB/GYN, general medicine, orthopedics, ER, and more). Each area is equipped with interactive practice mannequins, and there is even a mannequin that "gives birth." In addition, this Fall, the College will hold ribbon-cutting ceremonies for its new six-story, 70,070 square-foot, \$25.9 million, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Building, which is adjacent to the Cundari Building.

Hudson County Community College has been recognized as one of the best higher education options in New Jersey. HCCC students save \$7,500 to \$31,000 in average tuition/fees over what they would pay at a public or private New Jersey college/university, and 83% of HCCC students receive financial aid or scholarships. The recent "Equality of Opportunity Project" ranks HCCC in the top 120 of 2,200 colleges and universities in the U.S. for social mobility. The study reveals that HCCC works as an engine of social mobility, helping working class students achieve the American dream of a middle class lifestyle. It shows that while 36.3% of students from HCCC come from the lowest fifth of the economic spectrum, 11% of those students end up in the top fifth of the economic spectrum, and a very large percentage of students achieve incomes that place them in the top three-fifths of the economic distribution.

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

Thank you to the ERA Robert Blackburn Printmaking Workshop for the generous donation of the John Andrews work, *City Steps* (2016).

Artist News

Among the artists featured in the new show at the Brooklyn Museum called "We Wanted a Revolution: Black Radical Women 1965-1985" are Emma Amos, Elizabeth Catlett, and Faith Ringgold, whose works are featured in the Hudson County Community College Foundation Art Collection.

The exhibit is open through Sept. 17. You can see works by Amos, Catlett, and Ringgold on the third floor of the Journal Square Library Building in an area devoted to works about the African-American experience and the African diaspora. You can see another work by Catlett in the Joseph A. Cundari Building, at 870 Bergen in the Nursing Program, and another work by Ringgold in the North Hudson Campus Welcome Center.

Works by **Jo Baer** and **Agnes Martin** are featured in a new show at the Museum of Modern Art in New York. The show is called, "Making Space: Women Artists and Postwar Abstraction," and

you can see it through Aug. 13. Holland Cotter of The New York Times writes about the show: "Funnily enough, the Museum of Modern Art has never named the long-running blockbuster show that fills its permanent-collection galleries. So I'll name it: 'Modern White Guys: The Greatest Art Story Ever Invented.' What the museum does name are the occasional temporary exhibitions that offer an alternative to that story. 'Making Space: Women Artists and Postwar Abstraction'; is the latest, and a stimulating alternative it is." Museum admission is free on Friday nights from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., so go during that time and check it out! Closer to home, works by Jo Baer can be seen in the reception area of Dean Dillon's office in the Culinary Conference Center on Newkirk Street, and in the first floor Makerspace at the new Journal Square Library. The Collection's Agnes Martin work can be seen at the Library of the North Hudson Campus.

The Collection includes two small works by **Sol LeWitt**. One is installed in the North Hudson Campus Library and the other on the fifth floor of the Culinary Conference Center. If you'd like to see how a large LeWitt is made, you might enjoy watching this time-lapse video from the Marion Goodman Gallery: https://vimeo.com/209400440



The Board of Trustees and College community dedicate four works by Mike + Doug Starn in honor of Prof. Lloyd Kahn. Pictured is alleverythingthatisyou sno7,1_016, Digital Print, 2014. Also dedicated are alleverythingthatisyou sno7_077, alleverythingthatisyou sno7_057, and alleverythingthatisyou sno6_034.1 (all Digital Prints, 2014).

On May 13, artist **Carollee Schneeman** will be honored for lifetime achievement with the Golden Lion Award at the Venice Biennale. The Collection's Schneeman work, *Evidence* (2007), a digital print with hand lithography, which was removed due to renovations of the area where it was hanging, will be re-installed later this year.

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Summer A: May 22 – July 9 Summer B: June 27 – August 15

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COLLEGE LIBRARIES HOST 'HACKATHON' EVENTS



Devlyn Courtier (in black polo), Library Technology Associate, leads a "Hackathon" session at the North Hudson Campus. (Photo courtesy of Cynthia Coulter)



Johnathan Cintron, Library Technology Associate, conducts a "Hackathon" session at the Library Makerspace in Journal Square.

n Thursday, April 20, the Hudson County Community College Libraries hosted "Hackathon" events at the Journal Square and North Hudson Campuses. A hackathon is a gathering where people work together on various computer programming projects in a short period of time.

CULTURAL AFFAIRS



On Wednesday, April 19, Michelle Vitale (left), Hudson County Community College's Director of Cultural Affairs, and Matt Barteluce, Director of Guttenberg Arts, led a discussion for visual artists during an Artist Professional Development and Social Networking Event.



The artwork of Christine Vidal DaCruz is currently on view in both College Libraries in Textuate, a year-long rotating exhibition of text-based work by visual artists. The exhibition will be available until June 1.

NE MY PRINVIS

One of Broadway's brightest stars, Catherine Walker, brings Broadway to HCCC. She most recently starred on Broadway in the Tony Award winning Best Musical, A Gentelman's Guide to Love and Murder as Phoebe D'Ysquith.

Miss Walker made her New York debut in the original Broadway cast of Disney's musical hit, Mary Poppins, and became Broadway's second Mary, flying over the heads and into the hearts of the New York audiences for over 100 performances. Miss Walker has starred in numerous productions in major theaters all across America. Among them, Christine in Phantom of the Opera, Julie Jordan in Carousel, Magnolia in Show Boat, Fiona in Brigadoon, Gypsy in Gypsy, and Maria Von Trapp in The Sound of Music, for which she won the prestigious Carbonell Award as Best Actress in a Musical.

Broadway From My Bedroom

featuring Catherine Walker & Steven Jamail on piano

Performance held in the Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street, Scott Ring Room Tuesday, May 2 12 p.m. to 3 p.m., FREE High tea reception to follow for attendees.

"A Journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step"

Where do dreams begin? This program is a musical and emotional adventure, with heartfelt stories and insight into an actor's life. The concert begins with a trip back in time to see where dreams of performing took root and the path it took to turn those dreams into reality. A touching and heartfelt confession of the challenges encountered and a celebration of perseverance. It is the artist's intention that you will leave this concert feeling inspired and encouraged to achieve your own dreams.

For more information and to make a reservation visit: www.hccc.edu/tickets.

AngelaCARES & HCCC Present

Senior Prom 2017

Open to senior citizens of Hudson County.

May 6, 2017 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., FREE Benjamin J. Dineen III and

Dennis C. Hull Gallery & Atrium



For more information and to make a reservation visit: www.hccc.edu/tickets.

To register, call AngelaCARES at (201) 685-7273 Monday-Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

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Benjamin J. Dineen III and Dennis C. Hull Gallery 6th Floor, 71 Sip Ave. Jersey City, NJ 07306

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4800 Kennedy Blvd. Union City, NJ 07087

For more information contact: gallery@hccc.edu

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HUDSON COUNTY COLLEGE
CULTURAL AFFAIRS

NON-TRADITIONAL PROGRAMS NEWS



Non-Traditional Programs hosted the April 20 Workforce Development Board in the Culinary Conference Center. Board members represent private and public sectors.



CBI Instructor Otto Bolanos awarding a Customer Service certificate to a Pollo Supremo employee at the Pollo Supremo graduation on April 24th.

Center for Business and Industry

Through NJBIA, "Pollo Supremo", located on Bergenline Ave. and 62nd street in West New York, will be the first beneficiary in the area to train its employees in Customer Service in Spanish. Such offering customized to better suit the restaurant clientele, has never been provided in Spanish before in the history of CBI, especially on the client's site.

Moreover, the teaching techniques involved will bear in mind the students' previous knowledge to not only improve their performance in this field, but also to take these employees to the next level in terms of reading and writing skills that relate to Customer Service, even in their own native language.

This 6-hour training course will be very dynamic and will use the most updated trends and/or tendencies in Customer Service for Restaurants that originate from the most recent materials written in English. Needless to say, a lot materials had to be translated into the students' native language to guarantee their success and the CBI's training program as well.

Upon completion, students will have an opportunity to participate in another training course that mainly focuses on test preparation skills for the state on NJ in regards to "ServSafe" (subject to CBI's approval).

On April 27, the Center for Business & Industry conducted the first information session for the second cohort of the Supply Chain Management (SCM) program, which is funded by the Ready to Work New Jersey program. This is the first of the three information sessions that will take place this summer before the start of the SCM program in July 2017.



Back row: Caren Freyer-DeSouza, PSEG, Juanita Siffler – JC Public Schools, Michelle Richardson, Hudson County Economic Development Corporation Front row: Sandra Bleckman, NJ Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism Talent Network, NTP Dean Ana Chapman McCausland, and Jazlyn Carvajal, NJ Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

The RTWNJ program is administered by the New Jersey Community College Consortium for Workforce and Economic development and funded with state and federal funds. RTWNJ provides training and job development services as well as on the job training, primarily for the long term unemployed and underemployed, with preference given to unemployed military veterans. The program is also designed to help incumbent workers who seek training to advance their careers with their current employers. It is estimated that two tracks of the program will run simultaneously to fill the demand. All classes will be held in the Jersey City campuses in Journal Square.

Another grant that CBI is using to launch a second cohort of the Supply Chain Program is the Talent Development Center (TDC) for TLD in New Jersey. This grant has been established at Union County College through a grant from the NJDOLWD. Currently, the SCM program is conducting a supply Chain Management Principles module at the Supply Chain division at CarePoint Health, located in Exchange Place, Jersey City. CarePoint Health brings together three prominent Hudson County hospitals: Bayonne Medical Center, Christ Hospital in Jersey City, and Hoboken University Medical Center. This training will help their incumbent workers advance their careers. CBI continues to seek employer partnerships to offer training in Supply Chain Management. For employers seeking information, classes can be offered on campus or employer facilities for convenience. For more information please contact the Center for Business & Industry at (201) 360-4247.

CULINARY ARTS INSTITUTE NEWS



Pictured from left: "Food for Thought" panelists, Chef Christopher Albrecht, Thomas McQuillan, and Darcy Hutzenlaub with Associate Dean Paul Dillon and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Eric Friedman.

n April 5, The Culinary Arts Institute hosted HCCC's First Annual "Food for Thought" Conference on Sustainability, Community Gardening and Farm-to-Table.

The event began with a panel discussion moderated by Paul Dillon, the HCCC Associate Dean of Business, Culinary Arts & Hospitality Management. Dean Dillon was joined by the following:

Christopher Albrecht, Executive Chef for the Ryland Inn. A graduate of the Culinary Institute of America, Chef Albrecht worked alongside James Beard Award winner Tom Colicchio and Pastry Chef Claudia Fleming for six years. He went on to commandeer Craftsteak Las Vegas. Returning to the East Coast, he operated and won awards for Eno Terra and Canal Farm, and relaunched Park and Orchard in New Jersey. He has been involved with numerous educational programs, most notably "Garden State on Your Plate."

Darcy Hutzenlaub, Farm Manager for Share the Harvest Farm, a nonprofit vegetable production farm located in East Hampton, NY that works to address food insecurity issues. Ms. Hutzenlaub began as a volunteer, working with local farmers to provide underprivileged families with healthy food choices in 2009. Today, she farms six acres of town-owned land and cultivates organic produce that is distributed to 11 locations that service more than 300 working families each year. The CSA program of Share the Harvest Farm donates about 25,000 pounds of fresh, organic produce to food pantries, low-income housing sites, a women's shelter, public daycare and other organizations.

Thomas McQuillan, Director of Food Service Sales and Sustainability for Baldor Specialty Foods, Inc. Mr. McQuillan is an executive, food sustainability leader, chef and innovator of systems and operations with more than 25 years experience in developing strategic initiatives and turning companies around. Mr. McQuillan holds a B.A. in Business Administration from Duquesne



Jenna Firshein, Editor in Chief of Growing in Jersey City, participates in the discussion. Also pictured are Hudson County community members: Wendy Paul, Trustee Member of Washington Park Association; Mory Thomas, Co-owner of Square1; Sufia Hossain, Owner of Silly Chilly Hot Sauce; Lisa Lowrance Chambers, Co-owner of Meant.condition, Djenaba Johnson-Jones, Owner of Hudson Kitchen, and Pastor Germoso of Grove Reformed Church.

University and a Master's degree in Business Administration from St. John's University. He was brought to Baldor, the Northeast's largest produce and specialty foods distributor, to identify a costeffective way of repurposing the food byproduct created by the company's Fresh Cuts facility. The result was SparCs (scraps spelled backward), which completely eliminated food waste at Baldor within one year's time. Mr. McQuillan has presented his work on food sustainability at Harvard University, New York University, Stanford University and the White House.

The panel discussion was followed by a series of three demonstrations and food tastings. HCCC's Chef Marissa Lontoc ran an artisanal bread workshop, HCCC's Chef Anuchit Pukdeedamrongrit taught sous vide (cooking food in vacuum-sealed pouches that are placed in water baths or temperature-controlled steam environments) and Chef Jonathan Barnaskas, of Baldor Specialty Food and an HCCC CAI alum, demonstrated using SparCs (creative applications for food trims and peelings) in cooking.

The purpose of the event was to share the relevant work that HCCC's Culinary Arts Institute is doing and to continue to be an institution where culinary and hospitality professionals, producers, enthusiasts and food industry experts gather together to learn about important factors affecting food today and discuss new ideas.

The CAI has stated it's important to continue with this program to stay current on the everchanging conditions shaping the food industry, to share creative processes and innovations and to keep the discussion going on how industry and community can work together to address challenges such as industrial farming, food insecurity, and food sustainability.

The CAI thanks its "Food for Thought" partners, Hudson Kitchen, the Retail, Hospitality & Tourism Talent Network, Baldor Specialty Foods, Share the Harvest Farm, the Ryland Inn and the Division of Non-Traditional Programs.



Debra Italiano of Sustainable Jersey City addresses the crowd.



HCCC's Chef Anuchit Pukdeedamrongrit demonstrating sous vide.



Attendees at the First Annual Food for Thought at the Culinary Arts Institute.



Pictured from left, Food for Thought Panelists, Christopher Albrecht, Darcy Hutzenlaub and Thomas McQuillan.



Chef Jonathan Barnaskas and Christina Briscoe of Baldor Specialty Foods host a SparCs workshop.



HCCC's Chef Marissa Lontoc's artisanal bread workshop.

OPEN HOUSE AT NORTH HUDSON CAMPUS: APRIL 1, 2017



Prospective HCCC students visited the North Hudson Campus on Saturday, April 1 for the first of two Spring Open



Following a question-and-answer session, Open House attendees met representatives of various College departments, offices, and organizations.



Prof. Faisal Aljamal, Dr. Azhar Mahmood, and Pegah So- Open House guests. rour.



College administrators, educators, and key staff members acquainted attendees about the College's course offerings and student success programs.



Members of the STEM Division, from left: Saba Daud, Matthew Fessler, Director of Admissions, welcomes

MOMATH



Xiaojin Ye (left), Instructor, Academic Foundations -Math, and Lilisa Williams, Director of Faculty & Staff Development (third from foreground), with group members



Xiaojin Ye, Instructor, Academic Foundations - Math (left), with Lilisa Williams, Director of Faculty & Staff Development (third from right), and Museum visitors.

n Saturday, April 8, Hudson County Community College sponsored a trip to the National Museum of Mathematics (MoMath) in New York City.

RAINBOW CANDLE



On Thursday, April 13, HCCC students had the opportunity to create their own rainbow candles in support of the LGBTQIA community.

For more coverage of HCCC's PRIDE Month - including "A Night with the Queens" and the Second Annual PRIDE Conference, be sure to check out the June edition of HCCC Happenings!

BIOLOGY CLUB STUDENT OF THE MONTH



From left to right: Dr. V. B. Joasil, Assistant Professor of Biology; Enidia Angeles Marte, Biology Student.

BIO 115 (Principles of Biology I) Student of the Month recipient Enidia Angeles Marte was overcome with joy when her name was called by Dr. V. B. Joasil. Hard-working, intelligent, reliable, punctual are accurate characteristics of Enidia. "Her passion for learning is palpable and it is a joy to have her in my class. She is a team player and surely her desire for learning infected many classmates," uttered Dr. Joasil. Enidia's dream is to become a medical doctor (surgeon). When asked about the award, she stated that "being the recipient means the world to me; I have always loved biology since I was a kid and it feels good to see my hard work recognized." BIO 115 is a core course in biology and biotechnology curricula.



From left to right: Dr. V. B. Joasil, Assistant Professor of Biology; Marjorea Blanco, Nursing Student.

Marjorea Blanco was the recipient of "BIO 111 (Anatomy and Physiology I) Student of the Month" award. Dr. V. B. Joasil, Assistant Professor of Biology, issued the certificate to Marjorea. Her academic performance, punctuality, and class participation are distinguishing features. Dr. Joasil smiled when he said that "that's why I get up every morning." As far as Marjorea's comments about the meaning of the award to her, she said, "I felt very apprehensive at the beginning of the semester because I had to take Anatomy and Physiology I. I knew how important this course was, being the foundation upon which my nursing classes and clinical skills would be built upon. It's not a class that one can simply take for granted. This motivated me to stay focused and devote sufficient hours in a day to study the materials presented in class. It took a lot of discipline to remain on track and it's not an easy thing to do when you have a family to raise and a job to take care of. The harder I worked, the more I learned. Hence, I felt greatly honored when I was chosen as the Student of the Month. It's rewarding to know that my hard work paid off and was appreciated. It also helped that Professor Joasil infused fun and humor in his lectures and made learning the materials less overwhelming." BIO 111 is a required course in the Nursing curriculum.

PROFESSIONAL NOTES

Congratulations to HCCC student **Shung Adam**, who has been accepted at Carnegie Mellon University, Fall 2017, as an Astrophysics and Applied Computational Mathematics Major.

Andrew Bishop, Coordinator of College Composition II, has been selected to be an NEH Summer Scholar from a national applicant pool to attend one of 24 seminars and institutes supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities. Bishop will attend a seminar titled "Transcendentalism and Reform in the Age of Emerson, Thoreau, and Fuller." The two-week program will be held in Concord, Massachusetts and will be directed by Sandra Harbert Petrulionis, Ph.D. The 25 teachers selected to participate in the program each receive a stipend of \$2,100 to cover their travel, study, and living expenses.

On March 26, **Darlery Franco**, Director of Testing & Assessment, joined members of the TAACCCT-funded New Jersey Allied Health consortium at the Annual NROC Member Meeting. Her poster, titled "Using EdReady to Boost Math Placement and Student Accountability," was featured at a roundtable discussion.

On April 7, **Ferdinand Orock, Ph.D.** was recognized by the New Jersey Education Association for his completion of leadership



Darlery Franco's poster on "Using EdReady to Boost Math Placement and Student Accountability."

training. Prof. Orock teaches mathematics at Hudson County Community College and is the current President of the faculty union. The certificates were awarded during a ceremony at the Princeton Marriott to those who successfully committed to, and completed, a leadership development course.

Congratulations to **Christine Petersen**, Associate Director of Financial Aid, on her election as President-Elect of the New Jersey Association of Financial Aid Administrators (NJASFAA). The results were announced at the Association's Spring Conference, held March 15-17 in Atlantic City,



Dr. Ferdinand Orock received a certificate from the NJEA Higher Education Local Leadership Development Institute.

NJ. NJASFAA is a non-profit corporation which educates and trains administrators and counselors of student financial aid programs on issues dealing with the obtaining of financial aid by a student and/or by a student's family. It also educates the community and public at large. Petersen will assume her role June 1, 2017 for the 2017-2018 year and become President for the 2018-2019 year. Best wishes to Christine for much success in her new role!

ALL COLLEGE COUNCIL ELECTS STEERING COMMITTEE



t a meeting of Hudson County Community College's All College Council on Wednesday, April 26, the new officers of the ACC's Steering Committee were announced. Pictured from left are Joseph Pascale, Secretary; Dr. Shannonine Caruana, Vice Chair; and Denise Rossilli, Chair.

HCCC PARTICIPATES IN 'STILL I RISE' AT SNYDER HIGH SCHOOL





Group photos with HCCC team members and Snyder High School students who participated in the "Still I Rise" event.



Sabrina Magliulo (left) and Dominique Smith (right) on the set of JCETV.

n Friday, March 31, Sabrina Magliulo, Director of Advisement and Counseling; Dominique Smith, Part-Time Coordinator of LEAP; and Lilisa Williams, Director of Faculty and Staff Development participated in Snyder High School's 3rd Annual Women's Day, "Still I Rise."

The day's program included a mother-daughter breakfast followed by an assembly of student performances in the arts. The assembly was followed by a keynote address from Hudson County Prosecutor Esther Suarez and a RISE Ceremony that honored the young women graduating from Snyder this year.

Breakout career sessions were then facilitated by professional women from the community, who spent time sharing their stories and addressing the students' questions. Sabrina Magliulo and Dominque Smith also had the opportunity to participate In a panel that will be featured in a segment for JCETV.

SOCIAL SCIENCES DIVISION NEWS

everal faculty from the Social Sciences Division participated in the Open House at the North Hudson campus on Saturday, April 1. Faculty included Salvatore Cuellar, Instructor (Psychology); Tony Acevedo, Instructor/Coordinator (History); Dr. Jerry Lamb, Instructor (Criminal Justice); Angela Pack, Assistant Professor (Education); Fatma Benchouk, Temporary Full-time Faculty (Criminal Justice); and Alison Friars, Instructor (Education). Dr. Christiane Warren, Associate Dean of Social Sciences, also participated in the event.

Richard Walker, College Lecturer (Criminal Justice) was recently approved by Hudson County Community College's Institutional Review Board (IRB) to conduct research with criminal justice students at the College. The title of the study is "Foot Patrol, Neighborhood Watch, and Football: A Multivariate Analysis of Community College Criminal Justice Student Willingness, and Confidence in Law Enforcement, to Engage in Community Policing." He is currently surveying a randomized sample of HCCC students in order to examine the willingness of respondents to participate in community policing activities, in addition to student confidence that local law enforcement will actively participate in building trust with citizens. After the research is completed at HCCC, Walker plans to survey criminal justice students at an additional urban community college as part of the research. The full study is slated to end on March 9, 2018.

The Human Services Club co-sponsored the Social Works Professional Panel with the Office of Career Development on March 29. The event took place in the Student Lounge, at 25 Journal Square. The panel consisted of professionals relating their respective work experiences in the field of social work. The panel also included a question and answer session. The event was in celebration of Social Work Professional Month. Denise Rossilli, Instructor and Coordinator (Human Services) served as one of the panelists.

Robin Singer, Instructor (Education) was recently admitted into the doctoral program for the Fall 2017 semester at Montclair State University.

Angela Pack, Assistant Professor and Coordinator (Education), recently defended her dissertation prospectus at Montclair State University. Professor Pack is now officially ABD (All But Dissertation).

Richard Walker, College Lecturer (Criminal Justice), attended the Criminal Justice Speaker's series at Saint Peter's University on March 30. The

guest speakers were Lieutenant Rich Cavanaugh from the Montclair Police Department and Robert Davison, Executive Director of the Mental Health Association of Essex County. The speakers discussed the important role of policing in relation to the coordination of services for mentally ill people, including the homeless population suffering from psychiatric disorders. A question and answer session followed the lecture. Christiane Warren, Ph.D., Associate Dean of Social Sciences, arranged for a van for interested students, faculty, and staff to travel to the event.

The professional advisory board meetings for the areas in Criminal Justice and Education took place in the Culinary Conference Center on April 20. Dr. Christiane Warren, Associate Dean of Social Sciences, coordinated the event and participated with the board members from both academic areas.

The Social Sciences Division co-sponsored a Faculty Roundtable event with the Office of Professional Development on March 30 at the North Hudson Campus. The roundtable took place in the Multi-Purpose Room. Alison Bach, Instructor (English) presented on the topic, "Evaluating Student Writing: Maximizing Your Effectiveness, Minimizing Your Effort."

HCCC HOSTS MACHS CONFERENCE



A presentation conducted by Brian Oland, MA, LPC from Brookdale Community College, "Do You See What I See?," pictured is HCCC students Mariah Jenkins.



Presenters Melissa Keyes DiGioia, CSE and Tracy A. Higgins, MA, LPC presenting on "Exploring the Intersection between Sexual Violence and Sexuality Related Needs for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities."

udson County Community College's Human Services Program hosted the Mid-Atlantic Consortium of Human Services (MACHS) regional conference from Friday, March 31 to Sunday, April 2 at the Culinary Conference Center. The event was made successful by the collaboration of many at the College, but most notably, the student participation.

The event started off with a keynote speech from Vivyen Ray, Chief Human Resources Officer.

Ray spoke about steps to building a strong personal foundation. The weekend consisted of professional development workshops related to topics in the field. Psychology adjunct instructor, Cynthia Arnao and Jose Lowe, Assistant Director of EOF, co-presented on "Unified Collaboration in Mental Health among Professionals." The conference concluded with a student panel consisting of students from HCCC and Cazenovia College discussing their goals for the future of the field. HCCC student panelists included Irene Garrett, Brandon Rodrigo,



Jose M. Lowe (center), Assistant Director, Educational Opportunity Fund Program, and Cynthia Arnao (right), co-presenters of "Unified Collaboration in Mental Health among Professionals," with Denise Rossilli (left), Coordinator/Instructor- Human Services

Solmarie Peralta, Minelly Guerrero, and Annette Aviles. Honors student Luisa Alberca also presented her poster on the topic of Teen Drug Use.

The conference concluded with a concluding address from HCCC alumna, La-Trenda Ross.

THE ART OF THE STUDIO CLASSROOM: EFFECTIVELY RETAINING STUDENTS THROUGH ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT

by Dr. Jerry Lamb, Instructor

As a professor in the Criminal Justice Program, the Studio Classroom became an ideal setting to both engage and retain students. In the world outside of the classroom, problems are solved collectively through discussion and planning.

The Setup

The Studio Classroom contains five circular tables with eight laptop computers for individual seating. The tables are staggered like the letter 'W' which ensures easy interaction both horizontally as well as vertically. Also, it allows the smooth flow of student movement in and around the classroom. The professor's station is located on the lower left-hand side of the class with a large Smart TV Touch Screen located directly in the center of the class. This layout allows all students to easily view the main screen without obstruction from other students.

The design of the Studio Classroom was important because it created a comfortable environment. As each student flowed into the classroom and took a seat they immediately begin to engage in dialogue because unlike sitting laterally next to a person; they were on a curve, which meant they were inadvertently looking at each other. Needless to say, similar to the "three-second rule," if you were looking at someone more than three seconds without saying anything, it becomes

very awkward! Hence, most students naturally began engaging in small talk. Since students could sit where ever they wanted, a logical group formed, and a natural bond followed for the most part.

The first activity, involved students talking with one another about anything for 10 to 15 minutes and sharing whatever they discussed. This first exercise was important because the more students shared with one another, the more they felt comfortable talking with them as the semester unfolds. Equally, important was the fact that the more students engaged one another, they developed a fondness towards each other. Peer bonding in the classroom was just as important as students joining in extracurricular activities becauseit was all about connecting with others! I wanted students to attending class not only to learn, but also to develop meaningful relationships with their peers through open communication and shared experiences.

Learning Through Engaging

While teaching Criminal Law we read scenarios with criminal acts and students in their perspective groups determined: 1) What criminal codes were violated? 2) What were appropriates charges? 3) What prosecution strategy would be the most effective? 4) What would be the best defense strategy? In addition, both the prosecutor and defense, developed opening statements, arguments of fact, and closing statements. In this activity, there

were four groups; students' had two prosecution and two defense teams. Each group delegating responsibilities within their individual teams and while both had two of the same teams often their approach or added information allowed for a more comprehensive approach to both research and strategical arguments.

Critical Thinking Skills

These criminal justice group activities allowed students to ask their peers questions regularly. These inquiries led to answers and more questions, which resulted in varied perspectives, with emphasis on details! This was critically important because every criminal case was different based on the details of each fact. That can literally be the difference between charging and not charging a person, or innocence or guilt, on the other spectrum. Therefore, the asking of questions within and across groups fostered essential critical thinking skills that buffered each constructed argument.

In most criminal cases the focus was not on who was right or wrong, but rather which teams' rational, based on the evidence or lack thereof. most influential. The Studio Classroom was an ideal environment that fostered social interaction, engaged learning and critical thinking and if your course needs subject matter immersion, you now know they way to go!

FEDERAL WORK STUDY FIRST ANNUAL APPRECIATION LUNCH



Federal Work Study students and their supervisors.

n Wednesday, April 12, 2017, the Division

of Student Services held its first annual

FWS Appreciation lunch. Over 100 stu-



The Division of Student Services sponsored a luncheon for Winners of the FWS student raffle pose with their prizes.

ing in the program across campus. Federal Work Study is a form of financial aid, and for students who qualify, it provides an opportunity to gain work experience while building soft skills to better position them after graduation.

Sylvia Mendoza, Executive Director of Student Financial Assistance, asserts how important it is for Hudson County Community College to use these funds: "The positions not only help support students but provide a way for individual depart-



Lisa Dougherty (right) and Felicia Allen (left) pose with their Enrollment Services FWS students.

ments to receive additional assistance." FWS funding has increased in the last fiscal year, creating the possibility for additional positions and departments to participate in the next year.

If you would like have a FWS student work in your office, please contact Financial Aid to learn more and get started!

Currently, over 30 offices participate in the program with approximately 125 students work-

dents and supervisors celebrated together to honor

the hard work throughout this year's program. Stu-

dents received a certificate of appreciation, photos with their supervisors, and enjoyed lunch spon-

sored by the Division of Student Services.

HUMAN SERVICES CLUB HOSTS SOCIAL WORK PROFESSIONAL PANEL



Sarah Smyth, President, Human Services Club; Professor Denise Rossilli, Club Advisor; LaTrenda Ross, Senior Community Service Aide, HCCC Alumni; Victor Llerena, LCSW; Jose Moreno, Executive Administrator at Family Partners of Hudson County, HCCC Alumni; Isalia Crespo, LCSW, Associate Director Advisement and Counseling; Nicole Lesko, LSW, Counselor CASS; Sonya Knuettel-Ripley, LCSW, LCADC.



LaTrenda Ross, Senior Community Service Aide, HCCC Alumni; Victor Llerena, LCSW; Jose Moreno, Executive Administrator at Family Partners of Hudson County, HCCC Alumni; Isalia Crespo, LCSW, Associate Director Advisement and Counseling; Nicole Lesko, LSW, Counselor CASS; Sonya Knuettel-Ripley, LCSW, LCADC.

WORK THE RUNWAY: BUSINESS FASHION SHOW IN PARTNERSHIP WITH DRESS FOR SUCCESS



Daryl Osemwota demonstrates how to properly tie a tie.

Student volunteers Kimberly Romulus, Paula Kulmala, De'asia Gore, Kelly Kabeho, Aiman Chaudry, Aparan Patel, Raseal Ravindra-Kumar, and Alexander Cid modeled the do's and don't's of interview attire.

n Wednesday, April 12, 2017 the Business Attire Fashion Show, "Work the Runway!," was held in the Benjamin J. Dineen III and Dennis C. Hull Gallery Atrium. Students showcased interview appropriate clothing and "what not to wear" just in time for this semester's Job Fairs.

Kency Desmangles, Program Coordinator for Suits for Success Inc. Jersey City, led the group in a presentation about how to dress professionally and emceed the fashion show with Aparna Saini, Director of Career Development.

Students in the audience voted on whether the outfits were interview ready, and the runway followed by a tie-tying demonstration by Daryl Osemwota, Academic Advisor.

Events like this are only possible with the gen-



Aparna Saini (left), Director of Career Development, with Kency Desmangles, Program Coordinator of Suits for Success Inc.

erous contributions of all organizations involved: Career Development Center, Office of Student Activities, Business & Accounting Club, Educational Opportunity Fund, Center for Academic and Student Success, and Suits for Success, Hudson County.

To be "in the know" about events like this one, please follow @HudsonCareer on Facebook!

GOLDMAN SACHS COLLABORATIVE UPDATE



The GSCC Pod poses with mentors Robby Mangroo, Vice President, Goldman Sachs and Daniela Dowd, Vice President, Goldman Sachs and school representative, Aparna Saini.



Life & Leadership Coach and Resilience Expert Fran McConnell, CPC.

he Goldman Sachs College Collaborative had a special last group session this month at Goldman Sachs' downtown office in Jersey City. Students heard from Life & Leadership Coach and Resilience Expert Fran McConnell, CPC regarding the importance of incorporating resilience-based strategies throughout the day. Students and their Goldman Sachs mentors then participated in a guided meditation and reflected about how to bring more awareness and balance to their lives. Fran can be reached at Website: www.thebalancedowl.com Facebook: www.facebook.com/thebalancedowl LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/in/francesca-mcconnell-cpc-b1a8367.

Next month, the Hudson County Community College Pod along with the three other schools' groups will give their final presentations on their case studies in front of a mock board of directors and over 100 guests at the global headquarters of Goldman Sachs in New York City.

For more information, and how to get involved, please contact Aparna Saini, Director of Career Development at 201-3601-4221 or asaini@ hccc.edu.

HCCC HOSTS LARGEST JOB FAIRS TO DATE



The NHC Job Fair was held on April 5, 2017.

early 600 job seekers from Hudson County Community College and surrounding areas met with over 80 unique employers at this semester's April Job Fairs, held on April 5 at the North Hudson Campus and April 18 at Journal Square. Along with faculty, staff, and community job seekers, students learned about local businesses, completed employment applications, and explored different job markets.

Chief Mad Scientist (Owner) Julie Serritella, of Mad Science of Union and Hudson County, spoke highly of the students in attendance. "Hudson County Community College students are some of my best employees. The students I have met at community colleges are more driven to better themselves and understand that to move forward, they need to put in the time and effort to succeed." Several faculty were in attendance with their classes. Peter Cronrath, business faculty, brought his Management class to the Job Fair. "This is a great chance for students to speak to industry professionals, learn if they are qualified for current market jobs, and gain exposure to career opportunities. Christopher Wahl, Dean of Instruction/Arts, brought his English 102 class to the evening event.



Ingrid Parker from Cognizant speaks to job seekers at the NHC Job Fair.



Elysian Café owners Joyce and Eugene Flynn speak to

"My students were so excited. They find value in linking their current academic programs and skill sets to their chosen career paths."

M&T Bank was the primary (platinum) sponsor for the Journal Square event. The silver sponsors were the law firm of Marciano & Topazio and Morgan Stanley. Care Finders Total Care, LLC was also an event sponsor.

"Hudson County Community College is dedicated to providing area residents with a high-quali-



James Byrne represents AXA Advisors at the Journal Square Job Fair.



YAI/National Institute for People with Disabilities representative Peter Quintana speaks with prospective job seekers.

ty, affordable education, said HCCC President Glen Gabert, Ph.D. "Events like this add more value to our students' education and experiences. We are grateful to all of our sponsors and participants, but especially to M&T Bank for their generosity in helping to make this event possible."

For more information, please contact Aparna Saini, Director of Career Development, at asaini@ hccc.edu, or Catherina Mirasol, Assistant Director, Center for Business and Industry, at cmirasol@ hccc.edu.

Register Early! Save Money!

Students who register for Summer II or Fall by June 30 will pay last year's tuition rates!

Eligibility Criteria:

- Summer II 2017 students must be registered for 3 or more credits
- Fall 2017 students must be registered for 12 or more credits
- Financial aid recipients must have a complete FAFSA at the time of registration (2016-2017 FAFSA for Summer II; 2017- 2018 FAFSA for Fall)
- Cash paying students or those waiting on financial aid approval must pay 25% of balance by June 30, 2017
- Tuition credit will be issued by July 15, 2017 for those students who meet the eligibility criteria
- If a student falls out of eligibility, the College reserves the right to reverse the credit
- Does not include LEAP or Culinary LEAP students

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College Placement Test (Accuplacer)

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

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

Before taking the CPT:

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

On day of CPT:

- Make sure you eat and rest well
- Bring photo ID, College Wide ID #, pen, and pencil
- \bullet Report at least 10 minutes before the test start time
- Walk-ins accepted for all sessions.

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

May 2017 Terms: Summer & Fall 2017

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College Placement Test

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

Writing Proficiency Test

*90 minutes

The WPT is required when ENG 101 transcript is older than 10 years; this exam is handwritten.

English as a Second Language Placement Test

- *Approximately 2.5-3.5 hours
- 1. ESL Reading Skills: untimed/ multiple choice
- 2. ESL Language Use: untimed/multiple choice
- ESL Listening: untimed/ multiple choice
- 4. ESL Essay: 1 hr. timed/ handwritten essay
- 5. Must be eligible to take Math Placement test

CLEP Dates

Friday, May 12, 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 23, 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

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FOURTH ANNUAL HCCC STARS RECOGNITION LUNCHEON



Winners of the Hudson County Community College Foundation Employee Courtesy Award: Kenneth Watson (left) and Denise Rossilli (right), with Joseph Sansone, Vice President for Development (second from left) and Glen Gabert, Ph.D., HCCC President.



Glen Gabert, Ph.D., HCCC President (left) with Deseree McFarlane, 15-year honoree.



Gilda Darias-Hershberger (center), 35-year honoree, with Joseph Sansone, Vice President for Development (left) and Glen Gabert, Ph.D., HCCC President.

HCCC FOUNDATION EMPLOYEE COURTESY AWARD WINNERS

Denise Rossilli Kenneth Watson

35 YEARS

Gilda Darias-Hershberger

30 YEARS

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25 YEARS

Thomas Hsieh Javedd Khan Marie Mahood

20 YEARS

Willie Malone

15 YEARS

Angela Hebert Deseree McFarlane Ana Moran Ferdinand Orock Joseph Sansone Cathie Seidman Russel Taboso Angela Tuzzo

10 YEARS

Eric Friedman Carmen Garcia Alexa Riano Esperanza Robles Christian Sanchez Lawren Wilkins

FIVE YEARS

Shannonine Caruana Jacqueline Castillo Ana Chapman-MCcausland John DeLooper Jennifer Feliz Myriam Hernandez

Oliva Montero Julio Morales

Catherina Mirasol

Elizabeth Nesius Joseph Pascale

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Judith Bender Sarah Bryant Sharon D'Agastino Dr. Lloyd Kahn Dr. Theodore Kharpertian Kitty Mazzarella Irma Sanchez Wendy Schonberg

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION HOLDS ANNUAL 'NIGHT AT THE RACES' FUNDRAISER

amilies from the area gathered for an evening of fun and goodwill on Friday, April 7, when the Hudson County Community College Foundation held its annual "Night at the Races" fundraiser.

The trotters race event was held indoors at the Meadowlands Race Track, Pegasus East. Proceeds will be dedicated to providing scholarships for deserving Hudson County Community College students and for the College's growth and development.

"Of all the events the Foundation holds, this is the one specifically designed for families, and it has proved to be enjoyable to people of all ages and all interests," said HCCC Vice President for Development Joseph Sansone. Sansone added than more than 140 people attended the event, which raised \$20,000.

The ticket price included admission, general parking, racing program, TV monitors, pari-mutuel windows, guest seating, and an extensive buffet of fresh salads, appetizers, several hot entrees, carving and pasta stations, and dessert tables.



Pictured from left: Lynn Smith, HCCC Foundation Board Member, Alicia Brockway, and Fatima Pearn, all of M&T Bank.

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HCCC FOUNDATION HOLDS 18TH ANNUAL EMPLOYEE SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON

n Wednesday, April 26, the Hudson County Community College Foundation held its Eighteenth Annual Employee Scholarship Luncheon at the Culinary Conference Center.

Many thanks to the co-chairpersons for this event: Alexa Riano, Denise Rossilli, and Dr. Christiane Warren, as well as committee members Alison Bach, Tim Brown, Christine Cacnio, Dr. Shannonine Caruana, Dr. David Clark, Linda Guastini, Julio Maldonado, Mark Murray, Elizabeth Nesius, Mirta Sanchez, Cathleen Sova, and Lilisa Williams.

There is still time to make a difference in the life of a deserving student! Please send checks payable to the HCCC Foundation to the attention of Joseph Sansone, Vice President for Development, 70 Sip Avenue, 4th Floor.

ALUMNI SUCCESS PANELISTS SHARE THEIR HCCC STORIES

By Johanna van Gendt

n Tuesday, April 25, Hudson County Community College held its first annual Alumni Success Panel. The panelists included: Brittani Bunney, Director of Retail Leasing with Mack-Cali, Royal Ross, adjunct Business & Accounting Instructor and Assistant to the Office of School and College Relations at HCCC; Michael Porada, founder of New Bridge Laundry; and La-Trenda Ross, who works with the Department of Family Services. Despite the mix of civic and corporate backgrounds, the panelists often shared similar perspectives in terms of being a student and creating new opportunities for themselves. Aparna Saini from Career Development Services emceed the event.

What opportunities has HCCC provided you?

All of the panelists discussed the special opportunities which Hudson provided. For Brittani, the flexibility of night and weekend classes was key. "Without them, I don't think I would have finished college," she said.

La-Trenda remembered coming to Hudson County Community College after being laid off because of a store's closing. She shared how a woman in registration helped her make the transition back to school. To this day, La-Trenda credits her with the successful transition back to school.

Which classes were most valuable to you?

For La-Trenda, the public speaking class not only has helped her in every aspect of her career and advocacy, but it has also helped her discover a talent she didn't know she had. Michael agreed on the importance of public speaking within the business community. He said that he needs public speaking every time he is pitching an idea.

For Brittani, the "art of prioritizing" was the most important for her. She stated that she couldn't succeed without it.

How did your education relate to challenges you faced in the past?

One especially heartfelt moment was when Michael stated that his education had allowed him to help his father with the family business during a health crisis. Michael elaborated, "It's nice to be able to help your own father. It's an incredible feeling. [It's important to be able to] gain the knowledge to help people."

La-Trenda described the challenges she had faced as a student. She says, "When I started, I was a single mom. She continued, "If I sat in class crying, so be it because I refused to give up."

Royal echoed many of these same sentiments by saying, "I had many challenges, I wasn't that student that I felt like I was smart, but one thing I knew was that I wanted better for myself."

For Victoria Ramirez, a student in the audience studying business management, La-Trenda and Royal were relatable because she is also a single mother. "I just feel like I'm not the only one," she said.

What do you wish you had known before beginning your HCCC career?

All of the panelists responded with very practical advice for the students.

Royal said, "When I took that placement test, I didn't

do my best because I didn't even try." Many students in the audience laughed and acknowledged a similar mindset. Royal continued, "take advantage of the resources you have."

La-Trenda told students to be aware of how work/life experiences might mean fewer credits before graduation.

Asked the same question, Brittani responded, "I wish I had been more involved." She continued, "Once you get into the working world, everything is about relationships."

All of the panelists emphatically agreed on the importance of networking. Michael advised the students that you become like the five people you associate with most. He also stated that when you stay connected, you have more opportunity.

La-Trenda agreed saying, "there's no way I would have survived without networking. That's what I do on a daily basis."

Michael recommended the book the "Go-Giver," and explained how helping other people is a way to network as well.

Aparna recommended that self-knowledge is the key to networking, and she advised all students to have an elevator speech ready. She also told the audience that eighty percent of jobs are through networking.

What do you look for in potential employees?

Royal replied that employers are looking for the skill set and that a person has drive. Brittani agreed with Royal, and said that the most important characteristics are "passion, drive and ideas." Brittani added that the reason Mack-Cali had moved to Jersey City is because it is such a diverse city and because of the talent the neighborhood can attract.

La-Trenda elaborated on the idea of talent, and she advised the students, "Never be afraid to show your creativity." She said from an employers' perspective the most important thing is "wanting to work, wanting to be there, and wanting to learn."



Michael provided this very practical piece of advice for students as they enter the workforce, "Things will go wrong. You need to fix it and understand it. You need to be focused and innovative."

What do you love about your jobs?

When asked to speak about what they loved about their jobs, Brittani responded, "No two days are ever the same... I do all kinds of projects."

Royal, who teaches accounting at HCCC, responded, "I value my students, [and] I love what I do." She continued, "Your potential is to be successful. You're an asset."

The Career Development Center and the Development and Planning Committee planned the event. For more information on the Alumni Association, visit www.hccc.edu/alumniservices or contact us at alumni@hccc.edu.

Order HCCC Official Transcripts Online!

Starting April 10th, students will be able to log into their MyHudson portal to order HCCC Official Transcripts through the National Student Clearinghouse.

Advantages of Online Official Transcript Requests:

- 24/7 online transcript ordering, tracking, and fulfillment
- Electronic delivery options
- Mail and Pick Up processed within 2-3 business days
- Status updates by email and text messaging
- Current students can select "After Grades Are Posted" or "After Degree Is Posted"

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, May 1 and Tuesday, May 2

Graduation Photos, 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge. Please register at timecenter.com/ creativeimages

Monday, May 1

Makerspace Open Hours, 12 p.m. to 3 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue

Excellence Awards, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor. Join us for a special evening celebrating the accomplishments of our students at our annual recognition ceremony.

Everything Ballroom: Performance by Havana Dance Center, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., Multi-Purpose Room, North Hudson Campus

Tuesday, May 2

Lecture Series featuring Catherine Walker, 12 p.m., Culinary Conference Center. High tea reception to follow. For tickets, please visit www.hccc.edu/tickets.

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

Social Media & Your Job Search, 12 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Room 204

Wednesday, May 3 - Thursday, June 1

Exhibit: HCCC Art Department Review, Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue, Sixth Floor

Wednesday, May 3

Graduation Photos, North Hudson Campus, Multipurpose Room. Please register at timecenter. com/creativeimages

Curator Talk by Fred Fleisher, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue, Sixth Floor

"The Exceptional Customer Service Employee" workshop, 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Room 503. Please RSVP to Aura Matias at (201) 360-4612 or amatias@hccc.edu.

Building Up Your Interview Skills, 3 p.m., 70 Sip Avenue, Third Floor

Thursday, May 4

Decorate Your Graduation Cap, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Makerspace, and North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge. Let your personality shine at Commencement! Decorate your graduation cap using a variety of Makerspace supplies. Bring your graduation cap to decorate or design creative pieces to attach later.

#TruckinThursdays, 11:30 a.m., 81 Sip Ave. exterior and North Hudson Campus exterior. Check out some of Hudson County's finest food trucks (while supplies last).

Friday, May 5

Mario Kart™ Friendly, 12 p.m. to 3 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue, Makerspace, and North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge. Play friendly rounds of Mario Kart™ and meet other gamers in the HCCC community. Players of all levels are welcome and encouraged to attend!

New member induction ceremony for National Society of Leadership & Success, 5 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

Saturday, May 6

Angela Cares & HCCC Present Senior Prom 2017, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue, Sixth Floor. Open to senior citizens of Hudson County. For more information and to make a reservation, visit www.hccc.edu/tickets.

Sunday, May 7

Phi Theta Kappa, Beta Alpha Phi Chapter Spring Induction, 2 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street, Follett Lounge (Fifth Floor)

Monday, May 8

Makerspace Open Hours, 12 p.m. to 3 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue

Tuesday, May 9 - Monday, May 15

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

Tuesday, May 9

Resume & Cover Letter Workshop, 4 p.m., 70 Sip Ave., Third Floor

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

Wednesday, May 10

Graduation BBQ, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge. HCCC graduates, staff, and faculty are invited to come out and celebrate a final cookout before Commencement.

HCCC All Staff & Faculty Mixer, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue, Sixth Floor. RSVP at http://bit.ly/2oJbIR7

Thursday, May 11

Coffee & Conversation with the President, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 162 Sip Ave., Second Floor Conference Room. For more information, please contact Lilisa Williams at lwilliams@hccc.edu or (201) 360-4015.

Decorate Your Graduation Cap, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Makerspace, and North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge. Let your personality shine at Commencement! Decorate your graduation cap using a variety of Makerspace supplies. Bring your graduation cap to decorate or design creative pieces to attach later.

Friday, May 12

Culinary One-Stop Day, 8:30 a.m., Culinary Arts Institute, 161 Newkirk Street.

Spring Theatre Festival, 6 p.m. Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

Saturday, May 13

Graduate Bus Trip to Six Flags

Monday, May 15

Makerspace Open Hours, $12~\mathrm{p.m.}$ to $3~\mathrm{p.m.}$, Library Building, $71~\mathrm{Sip}$ Avenue

Graduation BBQ/AF-ESL Graduation Award Presentations, 12 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., Culinary Park Plaza

Tuesday, May 16

Building Up Your Interview Skills, 3 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Room 204

Commencement Formal, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., Liberty House. Tickets for Student: \$15; Guests: \$25. Purchase tickets at http://www.hccc.edu/tickets. Celebrate the closing of another school year at our annual graduation formal. Enjoy an evening of music, fun, food, and so much more!

Wednesday, May 17

Practical Nursing Program Pinning Ceremony, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. Reception following the ceremony is by invitation only.

Thursday, May 18

Commencement, 6 p.m., New Jersey Performing Arts Center, Newark. All guests including infants must have a ticket to attend the ceremony.

Monday, May 22 – Wednesday, June 28 Summer Session I

Tuesday, May 23

"Tools, Tips and Strategies: Leadership Skills" workshop facilitated by Lilisa Williams, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Room L427. Register at https://myhudson.hccc.edu/fsdevelopment

Monday, May 29

Memorial Day – College closed

Wednesday, May 31

First Annual Educator Appreciation Event, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Liberty House Restaurant, 76 Audrey Zapp Drive, Jersey City. RSVP to Tim Brown, Admissions Recruiter to tbrown@hccc.edu or (201) 360-4139.

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ALUMNI CORNER

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What factors led you to decide to attend Hudson County Community College?

High quality professors, family feelings, student support services, being affordable, and close to home.

What is your favorite memory of the College, in or out of the classroom?

In-classroom, student and professor interaction, and group work. Out of class, various student activities.

How did you become interested in biology?

In 1998, I was a liberal arts major in a nutrition class at the College. Not entirely sure of where this knowledge would take me, I found myself fascinated in Dr. Lloyd Kahn's classes and soon became enthralled with biology. A year later, after earning a 4.0 GPA, I transferred to Rutgers University to major in biology.

How did your time at HCCC prepare you for your career/ life now?

HCCC is the school where I started my path toward my doctorate degree. The excellent professors, the classes, the counselors, and the environment helped me keep focused on my goal.

What is a typical work day for you?

Meeting with the class, office hours, interactions with faculty, meetings \dots

What has been the most memorable project/case you have worked on?

Anatomy in Clay for my Honors A&P students – the project showed different diseases displayed in clay at the Honors Showcase.

Who are your biggest inspirations that have impacted your work in some way?

During my third year of graduate studies at UMDNJ, I decided to return and teach at HCCC. Dr. Kahn offered to show me the ropes of teaching from helping me to create a syllabus to delivering a lecture. I also had tremendous support from other senior faculty and staff including Dr. Tabatabaie, Professor Matari, and Dean Sirangelo and many others that were always there for me, and offered all the help they can give.

What advice would you give to recent HCCC graduates?

Follow your passion, the sky is the limit and don't let anyone tell you you cant do it.

What advice do you have for those students who are just starting their college careers?

Do some soul searching, find what moves you, what you are passionate about, with passion comes perseverance and with that comes success.

CALLING ALL ALUMNI! AUNI ALUMNI ALU

Did you enjoy your experience at HCCC?

Are you willing to contribute time?

Do you want to inspire others with your success stories?

Are you looking for career support?

If so join, socialize and network!

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