HCC HOLDS OFFICIAL GROUNDBREAKING FOR STEM BUILDING ON MAY 19

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) celebrated the official groundbreaking of its new STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Building on Tuesday, May 19, 2015. The event took place at the site of the new building – 282 Academy Street in Jersey City, NJ.

Hudson County Executive Thomas A. DeGise joined HCCC Board of Trustees Chairman William J. Netchert, Esq., other Board members, and the College’s President, Glen Gabert, Ph.D. In addition, HCCC students and members of the College’s administration and faculty were also on hand for the event.

The six-story, 74,000 square-foot, state-of-the-art building will be home to the College’s STEM programs. The building has been designed to include: computer labs, classrooms and student break-out rooms on each of the top five floors; student lounges; lecture halls; floors dedicated to General Science, Electronics Engineering Technology/Continued on page 5

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) held its 37th Annual Commencement Exercises on Thursday, May 21, 2015 at New Jersey Performing Arts Center’s Prudential Hall in Newark, NJ.

HCCC President Dr. Glen Gabert said that 453 students participated in the evening’s events.

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

The Hudson County Heritage Award recognizes members of the community who have made significant contributions to the College, its students and families. The 2015 award was presented to Joseph Napolitano, Sr.

The invocation was led by Sr. Roseann Mazzeo, Executive Director of WomenRising, an organization that assists women and their families in achieving self-sufficiency and enabling them to live safe, fulfilling, and productive lives.
NJCCC Observes Phi Theta Kappa Day
The New Jersey Council of County Colleges honored New Jersey’s 37 best and brightest community college students and their families at its 21st annual Phi Theta Kappa Day celebration on Thursday, May 7, at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Trenton. The 2015 New Jersey All-State Academic Team members from Hudson County Community College were Corinna Schlinck of Jersey City and Franco De la Torre of North Bergen.

Spring Induction
Beta Alpha Phi Chapter’s Spring Induction was held on Sunday, April 26. New Jersey State President Ashley Geffen Eddy, a member of Alpha Epsilon Pi Chapter (Raritan Valley Community College) and Christopher Wahl, Dean of Arts & Sciences, addressed the inductees and guests. Dr. Chanida Katkanant, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, also congratulated the inductees.

Officers Franklin Beeg, Fernando Sanchez, Ingrid Cooper, Mayra Gomez, Tatiana Boyd, and Oliver Pavot conducted the ceremony.

Congratulations to the 2015-2016 officers who were installed at the ceremony: Aaron Kates (President), Diana Elias (Vice President), Oliver Pavot (Vice President of Service), Cely Cotto (Secretary), Thalitza Real (Treasurer), Olga Glavna (Vice President of Leadership), Christian Canela (Vice President of Fellowship) and Cristina Mastropasqua (Vice President of Scholarship).

Panasonic New York City Triathlon, July 19
The Panasonic New York City Triathlon will be held in Manhattan on Sunday, July 19. Early in the morning, the athletes will swim 1,500 meters in the Hudson River. The 40K bike event will follow in the Upper West Side and the Bronx. The third leg will be a 10K run into Central Park. Oliver Fapot and Rae Santana, who volunteered at the 2014 Triathlon, have registered as athletes in this year’s event.

Volunteers receive preferential registration as athletes for the following year’s event.

Upcoming Events
- Saturday, June 6: Chapter Meeting, Student Lounge, 25 Journal Square, 1:00 p.m.
- Saturday, June 13: MuckFest MS, South Mountain Reservation, West Orange
- Thursday, June 25 – Sunday, June 28: Middle States Regional Honors Institute, Moravian College, Bethlehem, Pa.
- Sunday, June 28: Lady Liberty Sharkfest Swim, Liberty State Park

CBI is pleased to announce that as of April 15, Executive Director Ana Chapman-McCausland has commenced her new role as Dean of Non-Traditional Programs at Hudson County Community College. CBI also congratulates Mayelin Torres, WorkFirst Program Coordinator, on her new position as Evening, Weekend and Off-Site Programs Coordinator.

On April 23, CBI staff attended Saint Peter’s University’s Town & Gown Reception, in support of Juliet Foster, owner of J Foster Imagery, who was a recipient of the school of business’s program in which students of the university contribute their expertise to small businesses that are burgeoning in the community. Juliet is currently working on producing CBI’s departmental video, which showcases the work CBI does, as well as some of CBI’s greatest partners and beneficiaries.

On April 30, Djadji Sylla, Secretary of CBI, was honored at HCCC’s STAR Employee Recognition Award Luncheon for her five years of administrative service at the College.

Catherine Mirasol, CBI Coordinator, attended the Labor-Management Training Partnerships in Health Care panel discussion on May 1. The discussion showcased the collaborations between SEIU 1199 Local, Barnabas Health and Inglis House, a specialty nursing care facility that provides long-term residential care for adults with physical disabilities.

CBI held a successful Lunch & Learn panel discussion on May 5 with five of Hudson County’s non-profit leaders. The panel included Sr. Roseann Mazzeo (Executive Director, WomenRising, Inc.), Lori Friedman (Senior Vice President, Goodwill Industries of Greater NY/NJ), Deborah Hurley (Development Director, York Street Project), Matt Barteluce (Director, Guttenberg Arts), and John Dornbos (Executive Director, New City Kids), with Maria Nieves (President and CEO, Hudson Chamber of Commerce) as moderator.

On May 4, CBI staff headed to the NJ Restaurant & Hospitality Association’s Hospitality House, where they joined the Retail, Hospitality & Tourism Talent Network in kicking off their industry week. The week concluded on May 8 with a Speed Interviewing workshop at the Culinary Conference Center and a luncheon prepared by students from the Community Partnerships in Hotel Employment program. CBI staff was in attendance, along with WomenRising, Jersey City Employment and Training, Hudson County Community Development Block Grant Program, One Stop, Landmark Hospitality, Marriott, Sheraton, Westin, and Candlewood Suites.

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the Information Technology Services Division has changed its hours of operation to accommodate evening and weekend classes. Our “new” schedule is below for the summer and academic year; please do not hesitate to contact us by phone (ext. 4310), by email at ITSHelp@hccc.edu or stopping by 70 Sip Avenue (Building A), third floor.

Summer Hours:
Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Friday – College closed)
Saturday and Sunday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Academic Year:
Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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 HigherEdJobs.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.

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Congratulations to this year’s HCCC Foundation Student Art Award winners. **Roberto Alfonso** and **Cynthia Arevalo** won student art purchase awards. Alfonso’s painting, *As a Large Snake* and Arevalo’s digital print, *Painting Flowers for You,* will be framed and installed at the College. **Heather Giselle Acosta,** **Suellece Acevedo,** **Milica Jovanovic,** and **Paulo Cesar Salazar** won art supply purchase awards. Thank you to all the students for your wonderful talent.

**Serena Bocchino,** whose work is installed on the first floor of 168 Sip Avenue (Building D), often speaks of the relationship between her work and Jazz. A recent show in Chelsea was reviewed in *Art America,* who wrote:

> "The artist’s affinity with jazz is immediately evident in the bright, freehand swirls and drips that activate her surfaces, many of them studded with bits of mirror and/or gold and silver leaf. Blobs and tangles alternate with more controlled forms, evincing a sure command of both physical materials and compositional structure. Improvisations like this, as every jazz musician knows, require a virtuosic blend of imaginativeness and discipline."

**Elena del Rivero** had a recent show at Josee Bienvenu Gallery, 529 West 20th Street, Chelsea, Manhattan of works made out of canvas she had left on the floor of her living space for a long time, and then hung on the walls like dishcloths. Equally unusual are her works installed on the third floor of the North Hudson Higher Education Center, which are a series of prints about her home which was near the former World Trade Center site. If you look closely at those works, you can see ghostly photographic images of her home, filled with dust and debris after the Towers fell in 2001. The Foundation Art Collection includes several works related to that event. There is a piece of a steel beam from the Towers on the sixth floor balcony area at the new Library Building. There are also photographs of the Jersey City 9/11 Memorial by Jennifer Nakanishi in the reception/office area on the first floor of 25 Journal Square, where the Library used to be.

**Frank Gehry,** whose *Wiggle Chair* is installed in the lobby of the North Hudson Higher Education Center, will be awarded the J. Paul Getty Medal in September. "There have been very few individuals in all of history who have changed the course of architecture, and Frank is one of them," said J. Paul Getty Trust President and CEO James Cuno. "He effectively reinvented architecture with his use of new technologies in the design of beautiful and iconic buildings. And architecture will never be the same as a result."

Prior to achieving fame as an architect, Gehry designed his first cardboard furniture, including the *Wiggle Chair.* "One day, I saw a pile of corrugated cardboard outside of my office – the material which I prefer for building architecture models – and I began to play with it, to glue it together and to cut it into shapes with a hand saw and a pocket knife." After naming this material Edge Board, in 1972, he made cardboard furniture under the name "Easy Edges." These furniture pieces were very successful because they were good-looking, affordable, sturdy, and due to their surface quality, reduced noise in a room. They were early examples of ecologically responsible furniture.

Renzulli (1895-1974) painted the mural of the Morris Canal in 1967. The painting remained on display in the Provident Bank’s Greenville Branch in Jersey City from 1967 until it was donated to the HCCC Foundation Art Collection in 2014.

The Bowers Museum in Santa Ana, California will be presenting an exhibition of photographers of the American West: Ansel Adams, Edward S. Curtis, and Edward Weston, with 42 photographs through Nov. 29. At the time he took the pictures, **Edward S. Curtis**’ urgent drive to photograph what he saw as the vanishing Native American culture, was a lonely man’s quest. His monumental work, *The North American Indian* (1907–1930), is a 20-volume photographic record and ethnography of many tribes of the western continent. Now, Curtis is described as one of the “most celebrated 20th Century American photographers.” You can see over two dozen of his works on the fourth floor of the new Library Building. We would welcome donations of original photographs by the other two gentlemen in the California exhibit, Ansel Adams and Edward Weston.
The Education Department, part of the Division of Social Sciences, provided Red Cross CPR/First Aid Training for 47 students who were enrolled in Hudson County Community College’s Learning Community Child Development Associate (CDA) classes on Friday, May 8. CDA Learning Community classes are a new collaborative initiative with the Education and ESL Departments, and this spring the first cohort completed its studies.

Four highly trained Red Cross instructors taught our students how to respond to common first aid emergencies such as burns, cuts, head/neck/back injuries and how to respond to cardiac and breathing emergencies. At the completion of the training, our students received a Red Cross Pediatric First Aid/CPR certificate which is valid for two years.

CPR/First Aid training is one of many requirements for these students to apply for a Child Development Associate (CDA) credential. The CDA is a national credential that allows individuals to work in early childhood education (ECE) as early caregivers/teachers to children birth to five.

As part of the Learning Community program, students were simultaneously enrolled in ESL classes twice a week along with CDA classes. The CDA Learning Community enables students to develop a deep understanding of how to promote and facilitate the physical, intellectual, emotional and social development of children as well as how to support and guide children’s families. Participation in the CDA Learning Community requires rigorous study over two semesters and prepares students to communicate and apply early childhood best practices in order to become qualified educators of young children. The CDA program is credit-bearing and is an initial pathway to future Associate Degrees in Early Childhood Education at Hudson County Community College.
Jacqueline Castro is a Student Development Associate working in Student Affairs for the last five years. Her education includes a degree from Hudson County Community College in Early Childhood Education, a B.A. in Family and Child Studies (she attended an Instant Decision Day at HCCC with Montclair State University), and an M.A. in Counseling with a concentration in Student Affairs. “I was a student here,” she says, “I connect with them. I can tell them I was here once too. My education provided me with a holistic approach and an understanding that students are more than students — they have lots of roles.”

Jacqueline started her career at HCCC by working in the College Library; she has also worked as a Student Ambassador and Student Assistant. As a part-time employee for about six years, she learned the systems and best practices of a community college.

Having earned her bachelor’s degree, she became eligible to work as a part-time student adviser. Being an adviser includes the responsibility of teaching the College Student Success course, an integral part of setting up students for success. The important thing about the success course, she believes, is that it provides students with one focused person who can help them and be there for them along the way towards a degree or certificate. Jacqueline’s work involves her in teaching, admissions, advising, and testing for new and continuing students.

Most of Jacqueline’s work is performed at the North Hudson Higher Education Center. She enjoys the “one-stop” center where services are located centrally on one floor for students. “It’s different from Journal Square,” she said, “Everything can be triaged on the first floor.”

This year, she had two students who were with her from the beginning and walked the stage at Commencement. Others who have graduated still contact her for advice. “Anything is possible. I had times during my M.A. degree when I was juggling school, working, teaching three sections of CSS, and I considered quitting, but I wanted to be an example for my son and for students.”

Jacqueline referred to several things HCCC does well which make it a special place. She feels that staff and faculty members make students feel comfortable when they approach them with issues and concerns. She also feels that the many events we hold for students, such as Career Fair, Instant Decision Days, and College Fairs, are successful because they are student-focused and depend on several departments collaborating to make them the best they can be. Additionally, she enjoys her work because it is such a natural given her interests and academic background.

Now that she has her master’s degree, she looks forward to expanding her teaching horizons and taking on a course in the Education or Psychology department. “I’ve always enjoyed helping people!”

Mirta Sanchez spent her childhood in the Dominican Republic and first traveled to the United States as a tourist. In 1996, she participated in a work exchange program and ended up staying here.

Before coming to work at Hudson County Community College, Mirta, the Executive Administrative Assistant to Joseph Sansone, the Vice President for Development, worked as an ESL instructor on Bergenline Avenue helping immigrants with their language skills. She holds a B.S. in Computer Programming and started in 1998 at the College as a temp. As a temp, she worked with the Facilities division and later, the Office for Institutional Research. She has worked full-time with the HCCC Foundation since 1998.

Much of her work supports events which are designed to raise money for scholarship awards for students. She schedules committee meetings and Foundation board meetings, takes minutes, arranges for the details of events and maintains the important databases that list donors, alumni, vendors, prospects and others. In the past, she assisted with Phi Theta Kappa (as an honorary member) and created programs for the events.

The HCCC Foundation has grown tremendously in the past few years. In addition to the main committee, there are now separate committees for West Hudson/North Arlington as well as North Hudson (which includes the region in and around Union City, West New York, Guttenberg, Weehawken, Secaucus, and North Bergen) and focuses on student need in that area. “Joe Sansone came in 2001,” she says, “and that year we had a tremendous Gala at the Loews Theatre. Things have really grown since then.”

Mirta becomes almost breathless as she describes the range of Foundation events: The Annual Gala which raises over $200,000, the Night at the Races, the Golf Outing, the Mardi Gras and the Wine Tasting for the North Hudson committee, the Comedy Show and Dinner/Show for West Hudson, the Casino Trips, the Taste of Fall Fundraiser, the Employee Scholarship Luncheon and the Annual Appeal.

“I’m working with the Planning and Development Committee to put together a vibrant alumni association. I was secretary of the governance committee for development and planning for three years. We want to make people feel like they are coming back home even though many of them do two more years of college somewhere else. That’s important.”

Mirta takes great pride in being engaged and volunteering. She volunteers for Career Day at her daughter’s middle school and has served on the PTA as Vice President. Mirta’s daughter, Ivana, has become an advocate for HCCC (by osmosis) and for attending college in general. She explains to anyone who will listen about scholarships and the ins and outs of transferring.

“If we work as a team, HCCC will continue to be seen as a great college to attend. Focus on making students happy. That’s what counts.”
Hudson County Community College celebró de manera oficial el inicio de lo que será el Nuevo Edificio STEM (Ciencias, Tecnología, Ingeniería y Matemáticas) el pasado Martes, 19 de Mayo, en la localidad del nuevo edificio – 282 Academy Street en Jersey City, N.J.

Thomas A. DeGise, Ejecutivo del Condado de Hudson estuvo presente, junto con William J. Netchert, Esq. Presidente de la Junta de Administradores y otros miembros de la misma, y el Dr. Glen Gabert, Ph.D., Presidente de HCCC. Además estudiantes y miembros de la facultad y el personal de HCCC se hicieron presentes en el acto.

El edificio de seis pisos, 74,000 pies cuadrados, equipado con lo último en tecnología, será la casa de los programas STEM. El edificio está diseñado para incluir laboratorios de computación, aulas de clase y estudio, en cada uno de los cinco pisos de arriba; cafeterías estudiantes, cuartos de lectura, pisos diseñados Ciencias en General, Tecnología en Ingeniería Electrónica/ Física/Ingeniería. Biología/Microbiología, y Química; una cafetería y espacio de exhibición.

El nuevo edificio STEM estará ubicado adyacente al Centro Joseph Cundari de la Universidad, que actualmente está bajo una renovación de $3 millones, y albergará a los programas de Enfermería y Radiografía de CarePoint Health en Hudson County Community College, a partir de Septiembre 2015.

El Centro Cundari y el nuevo Edificio STEM están situados en el campus de Journal Square de la Universidad – a solo cuadras de la Estación de Transportes PATH.

“Hudson County Community College está dedicado a proveer a nuestros estudiantes – y miembros de la comunidad – de la educación necesaria para futuras profesiones STEM,” dijo el Dr. Gabert. Hizo notar que las estadísticas del Departamento de Labor, ha proyectado el incremento a más de 9 millones de empleos en el 2022 en carreras relacionadas a STEM, y que el currículum STEM de la Universidad es solo un segmento de los 50 programas de grado y 15 programas de certificación que ofrece HCCC.

El Sr. Netchert, resaltó que la renovación del Centro Cundari y la construcción del nuevo Edificio STEM es parte del programa de expansión capital de la Universidad.

“Este nuevo Edificio STEM de Hudson County Community College es representación de nuestro compromiso con los residentes y negocios del Condado de Hudson,” dijo Thomas A. DeGise, Ejecutivo del Condado. “Sabemos que la inversión en educación y entrenamiento para nuestra comunidad es una de las mejores maneras de asegurar la prosperidad en el futuro del Condado de Hudson.”

Hudson County Community College celebró su 37va Ceremonia de Graduación, el pasado Jueves, 21 de Mayo, 2015 en el New Jersey Performing Arts Center, en Newark, donde más de 900 estudiantes recibieron sus Grados de Asociado.

SeungChan An, nativo de Korea del Sur, fue nombrado el Alumno Destacado del Año, luego de haber obtenido un puntaje promedio de grado perfecto, 4.0.

En la Ceremonia también se hizo entrega del Premio a la Herencia 2015 a Joseph Michael Napolitano, Sr. “El Sr. Napolitano ha tenido un compromiso ejemplar con el Condado de Hudson y en su apoyo a HCCC y sus estudiantes,” dijo el Dr. Glen Gabert, Presidente de HCCC.

Nicole Sardinas, graduada de HCCC y actualmente Ejecutiva en el Jersey City Medical Center, fue la encargada del discurso central del evento.
Congratulations Class of 2015!

Images from Commencement 2015 are on view at www.digiproofs.com, password 052115HCCC. Select images are available at the College's Flickr page at https://www.flickr.com/photos/hudsonccc/sets/72157653025389479.
Years ago SeungChan An decided he would do what was necessary to pursue his dream of obtaining a college education in the United States ... even if it meant dropping out of high school.

On May 21, Mr. An delivered the valedictory speech at the Hudson County Community College (HCCC) 37th Annual Commencement ceremonies. He graduated with a perfect 4.0 grade point average, and was awarded his Associate of Science degree in Accounting. Because he completed his HCCC classes at the end of the 2014 Fall semester, he is already pursuing his Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting and Economics at Rutgers University - Newark.

SeungChan An was born in South Korea. His mother is the pastor of a church there, and his father works in a local company, as does his sister (who is one year older). Mr. An says he wasn’t particularly good at his studies in South Korea, and the prospect of attaining a college education – especially completing one in the United States – seemed an even more distant possibility because of the expense it would cost his family.

So he came to the conclusion that he would quit high school and work in South Korea to earn the money necessary for pursuing an American higher education. For two years, he worked ... and he studied for and earned his G.E.D.

Two-and-one-half years ago, Mr. An arrived at Newark Liberty International Airport, and because his English was so limited, the immigration officer threatened to send him back to South Korea. Mr. An produced the paperwork which demonstrated that he came to the U.S. with the intention of studying English at a New Jersey university. After deciding that the university might not be a good fit for him, he performed a Google search for area colleges that offered English as a Second Language (ESL) programs, and decided to attend Hudson County Community College.

"When I first started my ESL studies at Hudson County Community College, I had problems reading and writing English," Mr. An said. He determined that he was going to work harder because he was afraid to fail, and visited the HCCC Center for Academic & Student Success Tutorial Services Offices for assistance every day. After completing the ESL and additional basic skills classes with passing grades, he went on to complete all of his college-level courses with a perfect 4.0 grade point average.

Mr. An has been working at the HCCC Tutoring Center, assisting students with accounting and math.

When Mr. An told his mother that he had been named valedictorian, she gave him the kind of advice that made his dream a reality: "Work harder; don’t be satisfied."
ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC POLICY FIELD TRIP

On Tuesday May 5, students from Hudson County Community College’s Environmental Public Policy course and the Environmental Club joined the Hackensack Riverkeepers for an eco-cruise of the Meadowlands and Hackensack River.

Captain Bill Sheehan of the Riverkeepers led the trip, discussing his organization’s efforts to clean the river and bring Hudson County residents back to their river. The cruise sailed down the river to Newark Bay before returning upriver to glide through the Meadowlands’ marshes, with a view of New York City in the background.

Highlights of the trip included spotting endangered eagles on Kearny Point, viewing a clean-up effort of chromium pollution on Jersey City’s West Side, and a discussion of climate change’s effects on the Meadowlands’ ecosystem.

PROFESSIONAL NOTES

Dr. Nabil Marshood, Professor of Sociology/Coordinator of Anthropology, delivered a lecture, “Postmodernity and Minority Groups,” at the 41st Annual Conference of the East Coast Colleges Social Science Association, held in April in Virginia. Dr. Marshood is currently serving on the Boards of Directors of the Fulbright Association, New Jersey Chapter and the East Coast Colleges Social Science Association.

SPRING 2015 SOCIOLOGY CLASS RESEARCHES ACCESSIBILITY AND AFFORDABILITY OF CHILDCARE

During the Spring 2015 semester, students in Sociology of the Family (SOC 201), prepared for their final project a research paper on “Children and Mothers in Need: A Glance at Childcare in America.” The abstract of the paper follows:

“The history of in childcare in the United States was examined, in the context of the uphill political battle it has faced for more than a century. Then, New Jersey’s parent population was researched along with the difficulties faced by single parents today with concern to the affordability of quality childcare. Models from other countries show that the United States is lacking in affordability of childcare, and how other countries treat childcare as a substantial issue pertinent to an increasing female presence in today’s global workforce. Research was done to quantify some of the struggles felt by working-class parents in the specified area of Hudson County, N.J. Findings and recommendation on the topic of childcare in America was then divulged. The purpose of this paper is to discover the endeavors single mothers and working-class couples face to afford childcare, and how that affects their social mobility.”

The paper concluded with several recommendations:
• Improving low-income parents’ access to available childcare. “Many existing assistance programs reach only part of the target population, often because parents do not know about them.”
• Updating Federal Poverty Level guidelines to reflect cost-of-living expenses
• Tax incentives to establish childcare centers privately or in partnership with government
• Expansion of the Tax Credit Assistance Program (TCAP) to include all low-income parents and future studies to gauge the effectiveness of the program.

The members of the class were Rafael Osorio, Alejandra Vidal, Cristal Santana, Jesenia Ortiz, Gregory Rodriguez, Ewa Zadrozna, Indigo Salters, Mireya Moran, Charmisa Parker, Quynifa Bonaparte, Ezequiel Tejada and Manuel Ayala. Dr. Nabil Marshood, Professor of Sociology/Coordinator of Anthropology and Sociology, was the course instructor.

To receive the full text of “Children and Mothers in Need: A Glance at Childcare in America,” please send a request via email to dmcfarlane@hccc.edu.

CENTER FOR BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY NEWS

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As part of CBI’s “Hudson County Site Tours,” a monthly series of informative outings to significant sites in our community, on May 13 CBI staff visited Mana Contemporary, a cultural center in Jersey City, which provides services, spaces, and programming for artists, collectors, curators, students, and community.

On May 19, CBI staff boarded the “Spirit of New Jersey” cruise ship for the Hudson County Chamber of Commerce’s annual Business Networking Cruise, where all enjoyed a sunset dinner and breathtaking views along the Hudson River.

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CBI 2015 Calendar of Events
Thursday, June 25
CBI 15th Anniversary Celebration
HCCC SHINES AT ESL SUMMIT

On Friday, May 1, 2015, a group of ESL faculty and several key staff attended the second ESL Summit at Middlesex County College. The summit, sponsored by the Center of Student Success of New Jersey Council of County Colleges, focused on acceleration options and other innovations for ESL students across the state. Acting upon the recommendations of the ESL Concept Paper of 2013, community colleges are overhauling their ESL curriculum to include linked and paired courses and to expand access to college credit for their ESL students.

HCCC’s Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Eric Friedman, welcomed the summit participants and showcased some of the accomplishments and curricular innovations put in place by the ESL/Bilingual Program at HCCC. Later, in the afternoon, the College was represented by the ESL/Bilingual Program Director Elena Nehrebecki, Associate Professor of ESL Syeda Jesmin and ESL Instructor Saliha Yagoubi in their presentation “Forging New Curricular Paths: Learning Communities, Condensed Courses and Certificates.” They shared a long and successful history of the ESL Learning Communities at the College with their colleagues and ESL directors from other colleges explaining such benefits of Learning Communities as integrated instruction, earning of college credit, and higher passing rate and retention. Syeda Jesmin provided the rationale for smaller LC’s which allow for more flexible student schedules and publicly thanked faculty and administration from the HCCC divisions lending their content courses for linking with ESL courses. In addition to the existing LC’s with Introduction to Psychology, Speech and Early Childhood Education courses, the College is looking forward to adding a wider array of subjects which could be linked to new condensed ESL Reading and Discussion classes for accelerated progress through the program.

These new condensed courses, ESL 083 and ESL 084, were created to accommodate academically strong ESL students in a more intense curricular option: this will allow them to expedite their route to graduation and save some of their Pell Grant assistance. Fall 2015 is the first semester when long-awaited smaller Learning Communities linked to new condensed courses are implemented.

Next, Saliha Yagoubi presented “A Path to Child Development Credential” module developed by the ESL/Bilingual Program in the spring of 2014. As part of this module, ESL students take their first courses in Child Development in a Learning Community first for Level 3 ESL students and the following semester- a Level 4 one. The second cohort of students is finishing their first three CDA courses this spring and applying for the CDA certification. Those who decide to pursue an associate’s degree can use these 11 credits towards the certificate. This innovative practice exists at two NJ county colleges at this time, Hudson being one of them.

A believer in stackable credentials, the ESL/Bilingual Program has also developed an Achievement Certificate in ESL and General Studies, which is currently under consideration by the Academic Affairs Division. Once adopted, this certificate will confirm that students who have exited from the ESL Program are not only ready for mainstream work in English but have also satisfied a Speech, a General Education Mathematics, a Science and a Social Science requirement. With 13 credits of well-rounded college level coursework, former ESL students should have more employment opportunities and, as research shows, will likely remain in college to pursue and complete a degree. Several colleges in NJ are developing similar certificates, and with HCCC in the vanguard, students for whom English is a second or a third language have additional boost to their academic careers.

“This most recent ESL conference served as a follow-up to work we began two years ago on an ESL white paper, toolkit, and inaugural conference. Many of the community colleges around the state have used the toolkit to catalyze processes of transforming how they deliver ESL services and curriculum at their campuses. This goes beyond any one college; the entire state is moving forward together and the Center for Student Success at the New Jersey Council of Community Colleges is providing the locomotive to keep things going,” Dr. Friedman stated.

DMENTORS HOLDS OPEN FORUM

The DMENTOR open forum was held on Monday, April 20, 2015 in the Mary T. Norton Room at Hudson County Community College. Faculty and staff came to talk about the start, continuation, and eventual completion of their doctoral work. Chaired by Dr. Nancy Booth and supported by Dr. Jerry Lamb, the open session ranged from taking the GRE to deciding on a field of study to finding a mentor for a dissertation.

Pictured clockwise: Peter Cronrath, Lilisa Williams, Jenny Nesenjuk and Dr. Nancy Booth.
HCCC HOSTS HUDSON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING

On Tuesday, May 12, Hudson County Community College hosted the second-quarter Board meeting of the Hudson County Chamber of Commerce. The Board met over lunch in the Benjamin Dineen III and Dennis C. Hull Gallery on the top floor of the College’s new Library Building.

The Chamber has been in existence since 1888 and comprises more than 450 businesses and organizations around Hudson County.

Members of the Hudson County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

HCCC HOLDS ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON

Hudson County Community College’s faculty and staff held its Sixteenth Annual Employee Scholarship Luncheon on Wednesday, April 29 in the Culinary Conference Center. The event, organized and attended by the College’s devoted and generous faculty, administrators and staff members, is one of the most important.

Waruesthanks is extended to all of the donors for the Hudson County Community College Annual Employee Scholarship Luncheon. Their generosity – which has raised to date $11,415, will allow the Hudson County Community College Foundation to provide scholarships to deserving students.

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

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

Before taking the CPT:
• Review, Brush-up, Study!!! See reverse side for free study resources
• For special testing accommodations, contact Disability Support Services’ at 201-360-4157 in advance.

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

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

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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

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

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HONORS PROGRAM HOSTS DAY OF PROGRAMMING: PURSUIT OF KNOWLEDGE

On Thursday, May 14, Hudson County Community College’s Honors Program produced a series of events to present the results of the students’ hard work this semester.

First, during a Student Paper Presentation, students from several Honors courses presented papers on a variety of subjects. Each gave highlights from the papers they had prepared and then answered questions from the audience.

Following a formal dinner, the day culminated in a Poster/Project Showcase. This event contained more than 50 individual and group projects. The presentations were judged and prizes were awarded to students with top scores.

Students interested in participating in the Honors Program are encouraged to visit http://www.hccc.edu/honorsprogram for entry requirements or contact the program coordinator, Prof. Jani Decena-White, at honors@hccc.edu.
HCCC Happenings

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, June 2
Culinary Café will be open for lunch at Culinary Conference Center. Lunch Buffet served from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 6
Adjunct Faculty Innovation in the Classroom Conference, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Scott Ring Room, Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street

Tuesday, June 9
Culinary Café will be open for lunch at Culinary Conference Center. Lunch Buffet served from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Meeting of Hudson County Community College Board of Trustees, Mary T. Norton Room, 4th Floor, 70 Sip Avenue, 5 p.m.

Wednesday, June 10
Information Session, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., North Hudson Higher Education Center, Multi-Purpose Room, 4800 Kennedy Blvd., Union City, NJ 07087

Monday, June 15 – Thursday, June 25
EOF Summer Refresher Program for returning students

Monday, June 15
Center for Online Learning Awards Luncheon, Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. RSVP by Wednesday, June 11, 2015 by registering for the event on the Center for Online Learning portal page or col@hccc.edu.

Tuesday, June 16
Culinary Café will be open for lunch at Culinary Conference Center. Lunch Buffet served from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 18
Last day to withdraw from Summer Session I
NISOD Webinar - Becoming a Connected Educator: Building Your Own Personal Learning Network, 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 23
Culinary Café will be open for lunch at Culinary Conference Center. Lunch Buffet served from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
NISOD Webinar - What Our Students Need Most: The 7 Fundamental Conditions of Learning, 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 25
Center for Business & Industry 15th Anniversary Luncheon, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

Friday, June 26
Summer Session Online B begins

Tuesday, June 30 and Wednesday, July 1
Final exams for Summer Session I

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

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

13th Annual
GOLF OUTING
MONDAY, JULY 6
9:30 SHOTGUN START

FOREST HILL
FIELD CLUB,
BLOOMFIELD, NJ
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11:00 AM PRAYER SERVICE
12:00 PM START
1:00 PM LUNCH & AWARDS
2:00 PM GAMES
3:00 PM PRIZES

11:30 AM VIP CHECK-IN
12:00 PM VIP LUNCHEON

15
VIP PACKAGE
$50 PER PERSON
• Lunch Prize ticket
• On the Green
• 50/50 raffle
• Putting Contest

Please RSVP on the “New Student Orientation” page on the MyHudson Student Portal (https://myhudson.hccc.edu) or by calling (201) 360-4160.

For more information contact:
Joseph Sansone,
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Attention New Students!
It’s official – you are an HCCC student!

During orientation you will
• Meet fellow students, faculty and staff
• Learn about HCCC services
• Find out ways to get involved on campus
• Review HCCC technology, such as email

Start your path to success by attending one of the following:
Thursday, July 9, 2015, 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (JC)
Tuesday, July 28, 2015, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (NHHEC)
Wednesday, August 5, 2015, 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. (JC)
Tuesday, August 25, 2015, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (JC)
Tuesday, September 1, 2015, 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (JC)

Orientation takes place at:
JC-
The Culinary Conference Center
161 Newkirk Street (Building E)
Jersey City, NJ 07306

NHHEC-
North Hudson Higher Education Center
4800 Kennedy Blvd. (Building N)
Union City, NJ 07087

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Hudson County Community College's Academic Affairs administrators met with administrators from Fairleigh Dickinson University to catalyze discussions about expanding the partnership between the two institutions and to lay the groundwork for a drafting of a letter of intent to offer additional B.A. degree programs on the HCCC campus.

Currently, FDU offers a bachelor’s degree completion program for HCCC students in Hospitality Management. Under the new agreement, students would be able to take classes and complete advanced degrees in areas such as Administrative Science, Homeland Security, Sports Administration, and even a B.A. to M.B.A. track in business.

Dean of Arts & Sciences Christopher Wahl and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Eric Friedman expect to be working with FDU throughout the summer to refine the scope of the agreement. Dean Wahl says, “We hope to be offering new programs as soon as January.”

Dr. Friedman said, “The strength of the longtime partnership with FDU will make this process easy and provide several new pathways for our students at HCCC. FDU has a great track record in helping our graduates to be successful, and the time has come to broaden the set of opportunities.”