HCCC Happenings

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ON THURSDAY, DEC. 6, THE HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION HELD ITS 15TH ANNNUAL HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA. THE ANNUAL DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD WAS PRESENTED TO PSE&G. PICTURED FROM LEFT ARE HCCC PRESIDENT DR. GLEN GABERT; WILLIAM J. NETCHERT, ESQ., CHAIR OF THE HCCC BOARD OF TRUSTEES; RICHARD DWYER, PSE&G REGIONAL PUBLIC AFFAIRS MANAGER AND HCCC FOUNDATION DIRECTOR; CHANDA GIBSON, CHAIR OF THE HCCC FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND HCCC VICE PRESIDENT FOR DEVELOPMENT JOSEPH SANSONE.

Hudson County Community College Foundation Holds Successful 15th Annual Holiday Gala

The Hudson County Community College Foundation held the largest and most festive of its annual fundraisers — the 15th Annual Holiday Gala on Thursday evening, December 6, 2012 at the HCCC Culinary Arts Institute/Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street in Jersey City. Proceeds from the event rose to more than $200,000 and will be dedicated to scholarships for deserving students, faculty development programs, and the College’s physical expansion.

PSE&G was the recipient of the 2012 Distinguished Service Award, which recognizes organizations and individuals for their work on behalf of the College and the people of Hudson County. Richard Dwyer, Regional Public Affairs Manager for PSE&G and a Director of the HCCC Foundation, accepted the award on behalf of the company’s behalf.

“PSE&G has been a partner to the College for some time, and we are pleased to have the opportunity to thank them on behalf of the College and our students,” said Vice President for Development Joseph Sansone.

One of the key features of the Holiday Gala was the hospitality hour, where area restaurants prepared and served hors d’oeuvres and cocktails. Participating restaurants included Encore Catering, Havana Dulce, Lisbon, Michael Anthony’s, PJ Ryan’s, Rita & Joe’s, Renato’s Pizza Masters, Rumba Cubana, and Tejo.

The event also featured a gourmet dinner feast prepared by the chef-instructors from the College’s nationally acclaimed Culinary Arts Institute, and served by students from the College’s acclaimed Culinary Arts program.

“Special thanks go to our wonderful Culinary Arts Institute faculty and staff, and to all the other members of the College community who worked so hard to make this event so successful,” said HCCC President Dr. Glen Gabert.

During the Gala, the winning tickets of the annual “Lucky Odds” raffle were drawn. The Grand Prize winner, James Adams, received 40% of the raffle ticket sales ($4,520), Second Prize winner, Foundation Director Patrick DiSanto, was awarded 6% ($678), and Third Prize winner, HCCC Trustee Karen Fahrenholz, was presented with 4% ($452).

Established in 1997, the Hudson County Community College Foundation continues to play an integral role in the development of HCCC students, the College and the community. The Foundation is dedicated to generating financial support for the College and its students, developing and awarding needs-based and merit scholarships, providing seed money for faculty programs, and providing for the College’s physical growth. Since its founding, the HCCC Foundation has provided scholarships to more than 1,000 students who otherwise might not have been able to pursue a college education.
PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY NEWS

Post-Sandy Cleanup of Liberty State Park
On Saturday, Nov. 17, Liberty State Park undertook a cleanup of the park following Superstorm Sandy. Phi Theta Kappa volunteers Ilgner Bosch, his brother Randy, Ana Slattery and daughter Melanie, Donna Phang-Good, Professor Ted Lai and alumna, Qian Xie answered LSP’s call to assist in these efforts.

More than 400 volunteers worked and picked up litter from the storm surge that was pushed throughout Liberty State Park. They removed litter from the lawns and a sunken area which had been once leveled.

LSP officials have estimated that it may take up to nine months to restore the park for public use. Small paver stones were dislodged. The ferry terminal and docks, the Nature Interpretive Center, the historic Central Railroad of New Jersey Terminal, walkways, and the newly opened picnic area all sustained extensive damage.

On Friday, Nov. 30, The Jersey Journal published a letter by Sam Pesin, President of the Friends of LSP, thanking all of the volunteers – including Hudson County Community College – for their assistance during the Nov. 17 cleanup.

Homeless Memorial Service
A coalition led by the Garden State Episcopal Homeless Memorial Service distributed, along with sandwiches, snacks and beverages.

Hurricane Relief/Volunteers
Beta Alpha Phi Chapter has registered to collect donations for the Tunnel to Towers Foundation (http://www.tunneltotowersrun.org) to assist the storm victims in New Jersey and New York.

Volunteers are also welcome at:
- Kearny Auto Spa, 946 Passaic Avenue. For information, please call (201) 772-5475.
- The Barrow Mansion, 83 Wayne St., Jersey City
- The Salvation Army of New Jersey - contact Bramwell Applin at (908) 403-3625 for more information.
- The FYM Foundation - for more information call (201) 437-3312.

Please visit https://www.facebook.com/JerseyCitySandReliefVolunteers for information on assisting storm victims in Jersey City.

A.K.A. Education
Volunteers are needed to tutor children on Saturdays at the Union City Public Library at 324 43rd Street from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. For information, please contact Sabedo Argueta at (201) 305-3255 or AKAEducation@gmail.com.

TRICK OR TRANSFER FAIR

On Thursday, Oct. 25, 2012, Hudson County Community College’s Center for Academic & Student Success, in conjunction with the Office of Student Activities hosted the event of the season, “Trick or Transfer.” This event was hosted in the Culinary Arts Institute/Conference Center on the Journal Square campus in Jersey City. The collaboration was engaged to students during the holiday season while giving them the opportunity to mingle and learn about the transfer process, transfer opportunities, and the departments and services on campus.

Over 300 students, staff, faculty, and administrators from the College participated in the highly anticipated event. Career & Transfer Services coordinated with admission recruiters from more than thirty-nine (39) four-year colleges and universities who visited the campus with hopes of recruiting Hudson’s finest. For many recruiters, this was the first event of its kind that they had attended and many were excited to be a part of the festivities, asking if they could offer treats at their booths, as well. There were many familiar faces and some new ones too.

Attendees were treated to “Monster Mash” music to put them in a festive mood, along with hot apple cider, fresh baked pies, and a wide variety of trick or treat candies. As students wound around the rooms, they were able to “pick-a-pumpkin” out of the pumpkin patch for exciting prizes – courtesy of Student Activities, grab a handful of candy, and decorate their own pumpkin cupcakes.

As all of this excitement was going on inside the CAI, outside in the park culinary arts students graciously entertained as they carved ice masterpieces. Students in Intermediate Garde Manger flexed their chainsaw skills creating one-of-a-kind ice sculptures of dragons, witches, and Frankenstein. Amazingly, these students had only learned the previous day how to use the tools and sketch their designs.

Throughout this event students were encouraged to grab as much information about Hudson and other colleges as they could. A questionnaire was distributed asking them to answer various questions about the schools in order to be entered to win a prize. At the end of the day one lucky winner, Jessica Castio, was chosen to win a Kindle Fire.

Francis Larios (center) won a pair of Broadway tickets at the Transfer Fair. She is pictured with Associate Dean for Student Services Michael Reimer (left) and Duane Williams, Assistant Director of Counseling and Advisement.
Spring 2013 Advertising

The Communications Department has launched its online Spring advertising campaign. Advertising will be specifically targeted to prospective students in specific ZIP codes and age ranges when they access Facebook, Pandora or Google. When users click on an HCCC ad, they are directed to a Spring 2013 page created on Facebook or a landing page on the College’s website (www.hccc.edu/spring). This will provide viewers more spring registration information, along with the ability to watch a video about the College, to email or register online.

In addition to the online campaign, print advertising in English and Spanish is being published in The Jersey Journal, The Hudson Reporter, The Courier Times, River View Observer, Cambio and El Especialito over the next several weeks. All of the ads display the QR code (“quick response code”) which users can click on with their smartphones and gain access to the College’s website page for prospective students.

PROFESSIONAL NOTES

Hudson County Community College Board of Trustees Vice Chairman Bakari G. Lee, Esq. was re-elected as Chairman of the New Jersey Council of County Colleges for the 2012-2013 academic year. He was sworn in at the Council’s Nov. 26 meeting. This is Lee’s second one-year term in office. Council Chairs may serve up to three one-year terms.

In addition to serving as Council Chairman, Mr. Lee will serve as a member of the Council’s seven-member Executive Committee, which includes four community college trustees and three community college presidents. Chairman Lee will help shape statewide community college policies and projects, including the implementation of the Big Ideas Project, the collective effort of all 19 community colleges to improve student success.

Instructor Joseph Caniglia, Instructor Monika Czekaj and Assistant Professor Sharon D’Agostino will present “Using Music to Enhance Higher Order Thinking Skills” at the National Association for Developmental Education (NADE) in Denver in February. They will introduce participants to strategies which incorporate music in strengthening students’ analytical and critical thinking skills. Incorporating music into a curriculum enhances students’ reading comprehension skills and aids in making reading a more enjoyable process. These strategies, says Caniglia, form an innovative approach to enhance students’ enjoyment of reading and help keep them motivated and challenged.

Associate Professor Rosie Soy was interviewed as part of a news story by BBC News Magazine titled “Dominican Women in U.S. Challenge ‘Machismo’ Culture” (URL: http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/magazine-20517159).

On Oct. 29, 2012, Olga Blinova, full-time Instructor in the Health, Science, & Technology division, presented “Making Computer Instruction Meaningful via Interdisciplinary Connection and Interactive Projects” at the 2012 STEMtech League Innovation conference in Kansas City, Missouri. Olga created a model that enhances instruction for the “Introduction to Computers and Computing” course at HCCC. The model focuses on student engagement using applied techniques that can be used outside of this particular class. For example, instead of following a step-by-step instruction manual where students create random spreadsheets and perhaps later forget, students are encouraged to draw data out of their MLA research papers and convert the data to useful charts and tables. This hands-on approach allows students to “remember” how to do a spreadsheet because they have used it within a relevant collegiate context. We congratulate Olga on a job well done!

Hudson County Community College has implemented Connect-ED, a text- and voice-messaging system in the event of a crisis or emergency. Connect-ED is HCCC’s response to a federal law which requires disclosure of pertinent information about campus crime and security.

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

Both HCCC students and employees have been automatically registered in the emergency-alert system and will receive alerts to their HCCC email accounts unless they opt out.

Users are encouraged to access the College’s website, www.hccc.edu/emergency, and click on the Connect-ED link to register additional contact information such as home, work, and cell phone numbers.

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

Personal information entered into the Connect-ED system will be kept confidential.
Each month, the “College Life Corner” will introduce members of the College community and recognize milestone anniversaries among our employees. We will highlight employee publications, awards, officers in professional organizations, community service, and academic accomplishments.

For comments & suggestions for "College Life Corner," please contact Maureen Sheridan, Director of College Life, at (201) 360-4015 or msheridan@hccc.edu.

Timia Ligon Coordinator, LEAP Program

Timia Ligon joined HCCC in 2009 as the Director of the College Bound program. College Bound, a grant funded program, was awarded to HCCC from the Commission on Higher Education. In partnership with Union City High School, this pre-college program provided after-school and summer tutoring, college tours, and educational field trips for 60 Union City high school students.

In October 2010, Timia became the Coordinator for Project LEAP, a dual enrollment partnership between Hudson County Community College and district area high schools. Project LEAP allows high school students to enroll in college level classes and earn credits towards a college and high school degree simultaneously. Classes may be on-site at the high school campus or on the HCCC campus. There are currently 14 participating high schools. Project LEAP has been growing by leaps and bounds.

Prior to moving to New Jersey, Timia worked for the Fayette County Public School System in Lexington, Kentucky as a school social worker. She earned a master’s degree in social work at the University of Kentucky and is a licensed certified social worker. Timia earned her bachelor’s degree in Corrections and Juvenile Services at Eastern Kentucky University.

It is always great to see her smiling face and upbeat manner around campus. In her spare time, Timia enjoys spending time with her family, shopping, traveling and cooking.

Duane Williams Acting Director, Advisement Counseling

Duane Williams started his career as an Assistant Director of Advisement and Counseling at HCCC in April 2010 and is currently the Acting Director of Advisement and Counseling. Duane brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the College.

Last year, Duane was integral in bringing the “Boys to Men” conference to HCCC for the first time since the program’s inception. The one-day mentorship conference invites boys from surrounding high schools to join mentors at HCCC and spend quality time educating themselves in regards to admissions and student activities. The event was so successful that HCCC hosted over 100 students!

A proud graduate of the New Jersey community college system, Duane received an associate degree in business management systems from Union County College. He went on to earn a bachelor’s degree in management science and a master’s degree in public administration from Kean University.

Prior to joining HCCC, Duane worked at Kean University. As a graduate assistant and then Academic Counselor, he led the GEAR UP program (Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs) working with Elizabeth High School students.

What’s impressive about Duane is that, as a Residence Hall Director at Kean, he created a unique program named ACCESS (Aiming to Create Community Empowered Student Success) that still exists today. ACCESS is a program designed to address the individual needs of residential students who have not met the required 2.0 GPA to live in the residence halls. Through this program, students are provided with the resources needed to help them succeed academically.

In his spare time, Duane enjoys writing poetry and wants to publish an e-book in the near future. He is also an avid soccer player.

Joseph Caniglia Instructor, English

Joseph Caniglia joined Hudson County Community College in 2007 as a tutor. In 2008, he took on an additional role as an Academic Foundations’ adjunct faculty member. Recognized for his dedication, Joe became a temporary full-time instructor in 2010. In his capacity as a faculty member and tutor, Joe implemented the Writers’ Forum and Poetry Night programs for HCCC students.

In 2012, Joe received the College Foundation’s Employee Courtesy Award and won the Extra Mile Award from the Academic Foundations division. He also presented at the National Association for Developmental Education (NADE) conference in 2012 and will again present at the NADE Conference in 2013. His proposal to present on “Teaching with Music” has been accepted for the League of Innovations Conference in Dallas, Texas in spring 2013.

Joe is a key facilitator for the Adjunct Faculty Professional Development program. He also instructs new faculty each semester on accessing Gradebook. In 2012, Joe became a tenure-track faculty member and took on the role of part-time Writing Coordinator for the Writing Center, and Reading Coordinator for Academic Foundations.

Joe earned his bachelor’s degree in both Reading and Biology from Mercy College and a master’s degree in Education from New Paltz University. He was licensed to teach in K-12 from Pace University and began a career in education in the New York school system.

After teaching junior high and high school students for 11 years, Joe joined Upjohn Pharmaceuticals as a trainer, running seminars for hospitals and nursing homes. After several years at Upjohn, Joe felt compelled to return to teaching but wanted to teach at a higher level. That is when he joined HCCC.

Aside from teaching, Joe currently holds the position of Secretary for the All College Council and is a member of the College Life Committee. We are grateful to have dedicated people like Joe as faculty members at HCCC.

MILESTONES

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

One Year
Jose Olivasre
Joseph Pascale

Five Years
Peter Vida

20 Years
Ellen Renaud

25 Years
Marcella Williams

30 Years
Irma Sanchez-Fernandez
**JOBS**

Applicants are now being sought for the following positions:

**Adjunct Instructors, Spring 2013**

**Director of Advisement & Counseling**

**Instructor for Environmental Studies**

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

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

**INROADS TO FACULTY ENRICHMENT - LIFE SCIENCES ADDRESSES INSTRUCTION IN THE CLASSROOM**

This past semester, life science faculty members Abdallah Matari (member), Dr. Nadia Hedhli (chair), Velino Joasil (member) and Salim Bendaoud (member) formed a new committee called the "Faculty Enrichment in Life Sciences Committee" (FELS). This committee provided a series of workshops geared toward faculty development in the area of life sciences.

Understanding the importance of faculty enrichment to enhance student learning in the classroom, the committee provided a platform for faculty to share teaching techniques in the life sciences classroom. The committee scheduled many workshops encompassing a variety of topics such as Safety Practices in Labs, Mastering Molecular Biology Techniques, Essing Biology, Math, Chemistry, and Physics Concepts, etc., and presented them via a series of Saturday workshops during the fall 2012 semester.

On Saturday, Oct. 6, the committee invited a guest speaker from Yale University, Dr. Kerry Strong Russell, MD, Ph.D. FAHA, to discuss Cytostatic Drugs and the Cardiovascular System. Many people turned out to make the event a big success!

We would like to thank committee members and all those who presented at workshops during these Saturday sessions. For more information regarding the Faculty Enrichment in Life Sciences' committee or to inquire about future presentations, please contact Dr. Nadia Hedhli at (201) 360-4732 or nhedhli@hccc.edu.

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**2013 HOLIDAY CALENDAR**

The following is a calendar of holidays Hudson County Community College will observe in 2013. For further information, please contact the Human Resources office at (201) 360-4070. This schedule is also available on the Human Resources page at MyHudson.

- **Monday, Jan. 21:** Martin Luther King’s Birthday – College Closed
- **Friday, Feb. 15:** Presidents’ Weekend (classes in session; administrative offices closed)
- **Monday, Feb. 18:** Presidents’ Weekend – College Closed
- **Friday, March 29:** Good Friday – College Closed
- **Monday, May 27:** Memorial Day – College Closed
- **Thursday, July 4:** Independence Day – College Closed
- **Monday, Sept. 2:** Labor Day – College Closed
- **Monday, Oct. 14:** Columbus Day – College Open (Floating Holiday)
- **Tuesday, Nov. 5:** Election Day – College Open (Floating Holiday)
- **Monday, Nov. 11:** Veterans’ Day – College Open (Floating Holiday)
- **Thursday, Nov. 28 & Friday, Nov. 29:** Thanksgiving – College Closed
- **Tuesday, Dec. 24:** College Closed (given for Christmas Eve)
- **Wednesday, Dec. 25:** College Closed (given for Christmas)
- **Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2014:** College Closed (given for New Year’s Day)
- **Thursday, Jan. 2, 2014:** Day after New Year’s Day – College Open (Administrators and Staff – Floating Holiday; Faculty — Holiday)

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**HIGHLIGHTING RECENT TRENDS IN LAB TECHNIQUES**

Hudson County Community College Life Science instructor Dr. Nadia Hedhli was praised by fellow colleagues for an exceptional workshop performance. Titled "Frontiers in Biotechnology: Visiting and Hands on Training" and presented by Dr. Hedhli, this valuable workshop addressed the recent advances in molecular laboratory techniques and provided a platform for Life Science faculty to enhance their laboratory skills.

Dr. Hedhli, a Yale University post-doctorate trainee, pronounced herself honored to hold this workshop. "It is essential for faculty to remain current in this ever-changing world of laboratory techniques, and I am proud to share my expertise with my fellow colleagues to the benefit of our students," she said. Many part-time instructors expressed their satisfaction following this Faculty Enrichment in Life Science (FELS) sponsored workshop and requested more of this kind.
The Hudson County Community College Foundation Art Collection hosted a celebration marking the opening of a permanent art exhibit, "Artwork of the Nuns at the Blue Chapel in Union City, 1930s-1990s," at the HCCC North Hudson Higher Education Center (NHHEC) on Friday, Nov. 30, 2012. A vibrant crowd, which included The Jersey Journal and News 12 New Jersey, attended the reception.

On view is a variety of work in different media by four nuns who spent their lives as artists in the Monastery of the Perpetual Rosary (the Blue Chapel) located in Union City. One, Sister Mary of the Compassion, O.P., considered by many to be one of the greatest Dominican artists of the 20th century, was born Constance Dorothy Mary Rowe on March 17, 1908 in England. An Associate of the Royal College of Art, she was awarded the Prix de Rome in 1932 for mural painting. Included among the items now in the HCCC permanent art collection are paintings, drawings, and cards all formerly in private collections, as well as costume designs for three medieval musical plays performed at Hunter College Theater in 1957.

Woodblock prints and cards by Sister Mary Gemma of Jesus Crucified, O.P. (baptized Mary Immaculata Trichilo) attest to the Blue Chapel's consistent policy of using the innate talents of community members to assist in the monastery's financial support. Sister Gemma was born on August 1, 1915 in the Italian region of Calabria and entered the cloister of the Blue Chapel in 1939, remaining within until its closing in 2009. Sister died on August 28, 2012.

Other works on display include oils by Sister Mary Hyacinthe, O.P. and Sister Mary Imelda, O.P.

In addition to the permanently installed exhibit on the seventh floor, members of the public were able to visit the Library on the third floor and view other works by the nuns on loan from a number of private individuals on that day. On display were books illustrated by the Sisters, framed house blessings, sacramental remembrances, Mass cards, pictures, and handmade jewelry by Sister Mary of the Compassion. Jewelry by Sister Mary of the Compassion remains on permanent exhibit in the display case by the librarian's desk.

The HCCC Foundation Art Collection gratefully acknowledges Mr. Clifford Brooks for his generous donations for the opening of the exhibit, "Artwork of the Nuns at the Blue Chapel in Union City 1930s-1990s" and thanks an anonymous donor for 21 art books for our library.
Estuadientes que deseen obtener un grado debachiller o más alto en artes teatrales, pueden iniciarcon la obtención de un Asociado enArtes, Artes Liberales con opción en Artes Teatrales deHudson County Community College.

El nuevo programa está diseñado para proveer aestudiantes de un currículum basado ampliamente enartes liberales y cursos de especialidad en teatro, incluyendo Introducción a Actuación, Introducción a Teatro, Introducción a Drama, Drama Contemporario, Actuación II, e Introducción a Escritura de Obras, y los preparará a transferirse a universidades e instituciones de cuatro años. HCCC está trabajando en acuerdos de articulación conNew Jersey City University y Kean University, entreotros, permitiendo de esta manera que créditosobtenidos en HCCC puedan transferirse.

El Dr. Glen Gabert, Presidente de HCCC dijo que elprograma de Artes Teatrales está siendo coordinado porJoseph Gallo, un profesional de teatro con unaexperiencia diversa. El Sr. Gallo, que estudió en laNew York University, y Ohio University GraduatePlaywriting Program, y es miembro Escritores yDirectores de Actores de Estudio en New York, haescrito, produjo, y actuado en una variedad de obras yproducciones en todos los Estados Unidos.

El Sr. Gallo, sostiene un grado Master en BellasArtes en escritura de obras de Ohio University, y haescrito un número de obras que se han realizado enfuera de Broadway, así como en el Kennedy Center, yen otros escenarios del país. También es escritor depantalla chica, habiendo escrito para televisión ycine. El Sr. Gallo, produjo proyectos de danza y teatro enLos Ángeles y New York y ha estado encargado deproyectos de desarrollo para filmación y televisión.

Un experimentado instructor de universidad, el Sr. Gallo ha impartido clases en Escritura deObras, Actuación, Escritura para Pantalla Chica,Introducción a Filmmación, Monólogos paraAudiciones, Escritura Creativa, Introducción a teatro yotros cursos relacionados con teatro en la Escuela deArtes Visuals, Drew University, Kean University,Manhattan Marymount College, McCarter Theater yOhio University.

“Los estudiantes en este programa asistirán a producciones de Broadway, fuera de Broadway y acomunidades teatrales fuera de Broadway, que son"laboratorios para el curso de estudio," dijo el Dr.Gabert.


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**LA FUNDACIÓN DE HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE SOSTUVO EXITOSA GALA**

En la foto: Sr. Mandy Otero, Miembro de la Junta de Directores de la Fundación de HCCC (izquierda) y el Sr. Alfred Zampella, Miembro de la Junta de Administradores de HCCC, en la celebración de la 15ª Gala Anual de la Fundación de HCCC.

La Fundación de Hudson County Community College sostuvo el más grande y festivo evento de recaudación de fondos – la 15ª Gala Anual de la Fundación de HCCC, aceptó el premio en nombre de Asuntos Públicos de PSE&G y miembro de la Fundación de HCCC, el cual reconoce a organizaciones e individuos por su trabajo para la Universidad y la gente del Condado de Hudson. Richard Dwyer, Gerente Regional de Asuntos Públicos de PSE&G, recibió el premio en nombre de la compañía.

PSE&G recibió el Premio al Servicio Comunitario, el cual reconoce a organizaciones e individuos por su trabajo para la Universidad y la gente del Condado de Hudson. Richard Dwyer, Gerente Regional de Asuntos Públicos de PSE&G, recibió el premio en nombre de la compañía.

PSE&G ha sido un asociado de la Universidad por algún tiempo ya, y nos da gusto tener la oportunidad de agradecerles en nombre de la Universidad y de sus estudiantes, dijo el Sr. Sansone, Vicepresidente de Desarrollo de HCCC.

Uno de los detalles resaltadores de esta Gala, fue la hora de hospitalidad, donde varios restaurantes preparar y sirven aperitivos y cocteles. Los restaurante que participarán este año fueron Encore Catering, Havana Dulce, Lisbon, Michael Anthony’s, P J Ryan’s, Rita & Joe’s, Renato’s Pizza Masters, Rumba Cubana, y Tejo. El evento también contó con una cena gourmet preparada por chefs-instructores del nacionalmente aclamado Instituto de Artes Culinarias de la Universidad, y servido por los estudiantes del aclamado programa de Artes Culinarias.

“Gracias especiales a nuestra maravillosa facultad y personal del Instituto de Artes Culinarias, y a todos los demás miembros de la comunidad universitaria que han trabajado duro para hacer exitoso este evento,” dijo el Dr. Glen Gabert, Presidente de HCCC.

Durante la Gala, se escogió al boleto ganador de la rifa anual “ Lucky Odds.” El ganador del Premio Mayor, James Adams, recibió el 40% de las ventas de boletos ($4,520), Segundo Premio fue para Patrick DiSanto, miembro de la Fundación de HCCC, el 6% ($678) y el Tercer Premio a Karen Farenholz, miembro de la Junta de Administradores de HCCC, obteniendo el 4% ($452).

Establecida en 1997, la Fundación de Hudson County Community College, juega un papel integral en el desarrollo de estudiantes, la Universidad, y la comunidad. La Fundación está dedicada a generar asistencia financiera a la Universidad y a sus estudiantes, desarrollando y entregando becas, basadas en necesidad y méritos, proveyendo dinero para programas de la facultad y apoyando al desarrollo físico de la Universidad. Desde su origen, la Fundación de HCCC, ha entregado becas a más de 1,000 estudiantes, que de otra manera no hubieran podido cumplir su meta de una educación universitaria.

La Fundación del Hudson County Community College es una corporación 501(c)3 dando exención de impuestos a sus contribuidores.
HCCC BIOLOGY CLUB FORUM, “LET’S DISCUSS IT,” MAKES ITS DEBUT

The Hudson County Community College Biology Club’s new forum, “Let’s Discuss It,” made its debut during the fall semester of 2012. Its objective is to promote healthy scientific debates among students. After watching the documentary titled “The Big Picture: Rethinking Dyslexia,” students shared their opinions on this neurological learning disorder. The discussions shed new light on the symptoms of dyslexia for many of our students.

“I was ignorant of this disorder; this documentary opens my eyes, and there are no limits to success,” said Biology student Natalia Delgado. The documentary exposed the various challenges posed by dyslexia as well as addressed the poor assumptions about the disorder.

Biology Club advisor Dr. V. B. Joasil expressed satisfaction in the outcome of this first forum. “It is important to raise awareness of this disorder for students to know that there are adjustments that can be made to enjoy academic success,” said Dr. Joasil.

Of greater importance is the commitment of the hard-working Biology Club officers, led by Club President Veronica Zurita, to promote the mission of the Club.

ART EXHIBIT

On Friday, Dec. 14, students in Hudson County Community College’s Studio Arts - Computer Arts program exhibited their work at a reception at 25 Journal Square. The artwork will remain on display until Monday, Jan. 21.

Student artists featured in the exhibit are Robert Alicea, Samantha Crawford, Amanda Grund, Franklin Mena, Antonio Miller, Esthefany Rodriguez, Angelina Roman, Raquel Sims, and Lillian Zuniga.

HCCC’s Associate in Fine Arts program in Studio Arts - Computer Arts prepares students for continued study and professional work in various areas of Computer Art and Design including graphic design, web design, digital video and animation. This degree option includes some core studio arts requirements as well as both foundation and intermediate level computer arts courses, art history and general education.

CENTER FOR BUSINESS & INDUSTRY NEWS

Maureen Sheridan, Director of College Life, presented at CBI’s Dec. 4 Lunch & Learn on “Starting the New Year with a Plan.”

The CBI held a mini-Staff Retreat on Friday, Dec. 7. Work styles were assessed, roles and responsibilities were reviewed, and basic project management was covered. The team came up with a project that is being planned and carried out just by staff. The Project Manager is Djadji Sylla, CBI Secretary.

The County of Hudson and Hudson County Schools of Technology’s Career Development Center (HCST-CDC) have renewed their training contracts with CBI for 2013. Total funds available will be more than $100,000.

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

- CBI and Career & Transfer Services are partnering to provide a Career Fair on Thursday, Feb. 28.
- CBI will hold a “Women in Technology Symposium” on Wednesday, March 6.

Also of note: Dr. Jennifer Dudley, Dean of Non-Traditional Programs, held her first extended staff meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 11.
TESTING SCHEDULE

All new students are required to take the CPT, which allows for course placement that is appropriate to their skill level. In certain cases, such as if a student testing has not completed high school or its equivalent (GED), the Placement Test can also be used to determine eligibility for financial aid.

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

Before Taking the CPT:

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

Before Taking the CLEP Exam:

- a. Please call (201) 360-4191 or -4192, as CLEP exams are administered by appointment only.
- b. All appointment cancellations must be made at least 24 hours in advance.
- c. HCCC students must have a permit to take the CLEP (form available at the Testing Center or the MyHudson portal). It is recommended that visiting students review their school’s CLEP policy before registering.
- d. All students must pay a $20 HCCC service fee (non-refundable) per examination at the Bursar’s Office, located at 70 Sip Avenue, Jersey City, or the North Hudson Center Main Office, located at 4800 Kennedy Blvd., Union City, NJ. This fee must be paid prior to setting an appointment for the exam. Testers must show receipt on the day of the CLEP exam.
- e. Please contact the Testing Center for an appointment: (201) 360-4194, -4192 or -4191.

On the Day of the CLEP Exam:

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

Disability Support Services

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

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

- **Thursday, Jan. 3** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- **Friday, Jan. 4** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- **Monday, Jan. 7** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- **Tuesday, Jan. 8** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place & NHHEC
- **Wednesday, Jan. 9** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m., 1:15 p.m. or 5 p.m.*, 2 Enos Place
- **Thursday, Jan. 10** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place & NHHEC
- **Friday, Jan. 11** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- **Monday, Jan. 14** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m. or 5 p.m.*, 2 Enos Place
- **Tuesday, Jan. 15** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place and NHHEC
- **Wednesday, Jan. 16** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m. or 5 p.m.*, 2 Enos Place
- **Thursday, Jan. 17** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place and NHHEC
- **Friday, Jan. 18** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- **Tuesday, Jan. 22** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place and NHHEC
- **Wednesday, Jan. 23** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m., 1:15 p.m. or 5 p.m.*, 2 Enos Place
- **Thursday, Jan. 24** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- **Friday, Jan. 25** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- **Monday, Jan. 28** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- **Tuesday, Jan. 29** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- **Wednesday, Jan. 30** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place
- **Thursday, Jan. 31** — College Placement Test/Assessment, 9:15 a.m. or 1:15 p.m., 2 Enos Place

For further information, please contact HCCC’s Testing Center, located at 2 Enos Place, Jersey City, NJ 07306 at (201) 360-4193 for College Placement Test appointments. To obtain additional information and policies of the Testing Center, please visit www.hccc.edu/testing

On Wednesday, Nov. 28, 2012, Electronics Engineering Technology students at Hudson County Community College, led by Dr. Issam El-Achkar, EET Program Coordinator, visited the manufacturing facilities of Interplex NAS in Northvale, N.J.

The students were given a tour on the process of designing, and manufacturing automotive electronics parts used for luxury cars. It was a wonderful experience. The students were very fascinated by the process and how well it relates to what they are learning at HCCC.

The tour was led by Mr. Rafael Gonzalez, an engineer at Interlink, and most importantly, a proud graduate of the HCCC EET program.

NEW BUSINESS HOURS - NHHEC CUSTOMER SERVICE

Please note that effective Jan. 2, 2013, new hours of operation for the Customer Service department located at the North Hudson Higher Education Center will be as follows:

- **Monday through Thursday**: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Friday**: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Weekends**: CLOSED
NORTH HUDSON LIBRARY CELEBRATES 100,000 VISITORS

Saily Capetillo (center) received a Barnes & Noble gift certificate for being the 100,000th visitor at the NHHEC Library. She is pictured with Librarian John DeLooper (left) and Executive Director Carol Van Houten.

On Monday, Sept. 24, the 100,000th visitor walked through the doors of the North Hudson Higher Education Center Library/Learning Resources Center. That visitor represents a year of accomplishment for the Library.

“arieve this level of success in just 13 months is incredible,” said librarian John DeLooper. “When the building opened, many students told us that they weren’t even aware that there was a library at North Hudson. Now, it is essential to their studies.”

Indeed, when the new North Hudson Higher Education Center opened in August 2011, attracting students proved difficult. Last September’s gate count, even with an influx of visitors for the Center’s Grand Opening, showed only about 7,000 visits. But the NHHEC Library staff and the whole North Hudson Higher Education Center community teamed up to help attract students, and one year later, monthly visits have nearly doubled, reaching over 13,000.

In the last year, librarians, support staff, and student workers placed posters throughout the building, updated bulletin boards, and worked with faculty members and departments such as Student Activities and Security to spread the word about the Library and its services.

The North Hudson Higher Education Center’s Grand Opening in September 2011, along with tours led by Enrollment Services, Student Affairs, and others, and interdepartmental promotions such as March’s “Read a Book” contest also spread awareness.

As it stands now, the Library is filled with students studying, collaborating on projects, and accessing online resources such as e-books, journal articles, and streaming videos on the Library’s 30 computers.

Faculty and staff are also taking advantage of Library resources. Professors have brought dozens of classes for information literacy instruction, and utilized audiovisual equipment such as laptops, Flip cameras, and Techpods. Others have used the media studio to record instructional videos.

All this activity has not stopped the NHHEC Library/LRC from continuing to expand its services and programs. Its librarians hosted a series of workshops this past fall, with sessions on Newspaper and Magazine Resources on Dec. 3, Using NoodleTools for Citation Management on Dec. 5, and Job and Career Resources on Dec. 18.

To commemorate the 100,000th visitor, the Library/LRC also hosted a prize drawing. Visitors completed an entry at the NHHEC Library between during the month of November. A randomly selected winner, Saily Capetillo, received a $20 gift card to Barnes & Noble to commemorate the occasion.

The North Hudson Higher Education Center Library/Learning Resources Center is open Monday to Friday 8 am – 9 pm, Saturday 9 am – 3 pm, and Sunday 10 am – 3 pm. Visit www.hccc.edu/library, call 201-360-4605, or e-mail librarynhc@hccc.edu for more information.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10 – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21
Creative Writing - Come meet with a group of like-minded writers to share ideas, to provide feedback and constructive criticism, and to write, write, write. Tuition: $12. Meets Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (no class Jan. 24). To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration or email instantenrollment@hccc.edu.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9 – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13
Computers for Beginners - Specially designed for those who possess little or no experience with computers but want to begin developing skills. Tuition: $115 plus $15 lab fee Meets Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration or email instantenrollment@hccc.edu.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10 – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14
Essentials of Business Communications I - In this course, you’ll learn the basics of composing effective letters, reports, memos, and other materials, and how to make the most electronic communications. Tuition: $150. Meets Thursdays, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. (no class Jan. 24). To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration or email instantenrollment@hccc.edu.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10 – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21
Associate Core Concepts - Get ready for a green career by learning the basic principles of green building. Cost: $750 (includes materials fee). Meets Mondays and Wednesdays, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration or email instantenrollment@hccc.edu.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14 – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27
LEED Building Principles and LEED Green Associate Core Concepts - Get ready for a green job with cutting edge knowledge and skills in the basic principles of green building. Cost: $750 (includes materials fee). Meets Mondays and Wednesdays, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration or email instantenrollment@hccc.edu.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15 – TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12
Spanish I - Whether you just want to learn Spanish or need to be able to speak it for business or social reasons, this is the course for you! Tuition: $205 (textbook not included: Spanish Is Fun, Third Edition, AMSCO School Publications, Inc., ISBN 1-56765-464-9). Meets Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. (no class Jan. 24). To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration or email instantenrollment@hccc.edu.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15
New Student Orientation, Culinary Arts Institute/Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. For questions or to register, please email admissions@hccc.edu

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17
Microsoft Office for Business - Unleash the power of all four applications of the Office Suite, and broaden your job, promotion and career opportunities with this much-sought-after skill! Prerequisite: Must be an experienced computer user. Tuition: $155 plus $15 lab fee. Meets Fridays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration or email instantenrollment@hccc.edu.
**Friday, January 18**  
**Fantastic Thai Cuisine I - Spice up a few fall evenings in this hands-on Thai Dinner Party class with Chef Phensri Francis.** Tuition: $99 per session (includes materials). Students who continue on to Fantastic Thai Cuisine II will receive a 25% discount. Meets 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
**To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration or email instantenrollment@hccc.edu.**

**Friday, January 18**  
**Soup Basics & More - Learn to prepare soups from simple purees to delicate consommés, plus the methods used in the preparation of the six classical soup classifications.** Tuition: $75. Meets from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration or email instantenrollment@hccc.edu.

**Saturday, January 19**  
**Introduction to Green Careers - Become knowledgeable of and skillful in using this incredibly versatile program! Taught on a PC.** Prerequisite: Basic computer skills. Tuition: $245 plus $35 lab fee. Meets Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration or email instantenrollment@hccc.edu.

**Saturday, January 19**  
**Info Session: Introduction to Green Careers - Because “Green” covers many different approaches for people, Green can take many different paths. This PowerPoint presentation helps participants identify what a “Green Career” is, regardless of whether their path takes them into the holistic field or Green building line of work.** Tuition: Free. Meets from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration or email instantenrollment@hccc.edu.

**Sunday, January 20**  
**Italian-Style Soups - Sometimes referred to as “Love in a Bowl,” Italian-style soups are beautiful blends of flavors and textures that satisfy appetites and fill the senses.** Tuition: $75. Meets from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration or email instantenrollment@hccc.edu.

**Monday, January 21**  
**Martin Luther King - College closed**

**Tuesday, January 22**  
**Course Information Session, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. – 7 p.m., North Hudson Higher Education Center (Multi-Purpose Room), 4800 Kennedy Blvd., Union City.** *For questions or to register, please email admissions@hccc.edu*

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

**All College Faculty Meeting, 6 p.m., Culinary Arts Institute/Conference Center**

**Thursday, January 24**  
**Late Registration begins**

**College Service Day, Culinary Arts Institute/Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street**

**Friday, January 25 – Friday, March 15**  
**Animation with Adobe Flash CS4: Level I - Learn the basics of key framing and timing of movement, motion tweens and shape tweens, creating characters and backgrounds, plus nesting animations and lip-syncing. Taught on a PC.** Prerequisite: Good basic computer skills. Tuition: $275 plus $35 lab fee. Meets Fridays, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. To register, please call (201) 360-4246, visit www.hccc.edu/CommEdOnlineRegistration or email instantenrollment@hccc.edu.

**Saturday, January 26 – Saturday, March 2**  
**Introduction to Adobe Photoshop CS4 Level I -**
GALA RECAP

PSE&G received the Hudson County Community College Foundation’s annual Distinguished Service Award. This ice sculpture was designed by Prof. Kevin O’Malley of HCCC’s Culinary Arts Institute.

Lamb chops prepared by the Culinary Arts Institute during the cocktail hour are served by Marissa Greer, a student in the CAI.

HCCC Board of Trustees Vice Chair Bakari G. Lee, Esq. (right) enjoys one of the delicacies provided by several local restaurants. Lee is pictured with CAI student Andrew Flores.

HCCC Foundation Director Joseph Napolitano, Sr. (right) with James Adams. Napolitano was instrumental in generating advertisers for the event’s Gala Journal.

Past HCCC Foundation Chair Philip Johnston (left), West Hudson Scholarship Committee Chair Kenneth Lindenfelser Sr. and Pioneer Boys and Girls Club member Anne Lindenfelser.

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