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NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW

Employee Service Awards May 7 at Mays Landing Country Club

Employees with 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 or 35 years of service and retirees will be honored at the Annual Employee Service Awards Dinner, Friday, May 7. The event will begin at 5 p.m., with cash bar at the Mays Landing Country Club. Attendees have a choice of Chicken Francaise (with or without lump crabmeat), Baked Salmon (with or without lump crabmeat) or vegetarian Pasta Primavera. Honorees may bring guests free of charge. RSVP to ext. 5610 or e-mail defalco@atlantic.edu with choice of entrée, by April 30. All employees are welcome.

Employees being honored and their years of service include:

10 Years: **Christina Cavage, Lisa Givens, Terri Hamby, Patricia Heller, Bud Ireland, Bruce Johns, Dorie Keener, Kathy Landau, Kenya Long, Jean McAlister, Moe Nagrod, Anna Simmons, John Stratton.**

15 Years: **Pam Bigelow-O'Neill, Renee DeAngelo, Tammy DeFranco, Paula Demarest, Jim Homan, Donna Leeds**

20 Years: **Marge Battistelli, Kathy Corbalis, Linda DeSantis, Norman McKiver, Tyrone McKiver, Barbara Mottola, George Richert, Joe Rossi, Penny Wells.**

25 Years: **Carlo Canale, Joanne Gleason, Connie Lamonaca, Ron McArthur, Taffy Peterson, Kip Rand, Ernie Sandoz.**

30 Years: **JoAnne Barbieri, Millie Ciraolo, Gayle Edwards, Angel Eguaras, Gene LoPresti, Judy Matsunobu, Kathy McGowan, Gail Mischlich, Pete Mora, Bobby Royal, Terry Sampson.**

35 Years: **Tom Boghosian, Joe Jaloway, Louise Kaplan, Jed Soifer.**

Retirees: **Lou Cole, Olaf "Butch" Drozdov, Jodi Handler, Don Hurff.**

ACCC Slates Community Open House April 20

ACCC will host a community open house 5-7 p.m., Tuesday, April 20, to provide information on career training, transfer programs and personal enrichment courses. The open house will take place in "J" building on the Mays Landing main campus. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, call **Linda McLeod**, assistant director, college recruitment, ext. 5009.

ACCC Literary Club to Launch Latest Issue at Borders

ACCC's Literary Club will celebrate the launch of the spring 2004 issue of *ReWrites*, its annual literary magazine, at 7 p.m., Thursday, April 29, at Borders Books and Music near Hamilton Mall. Students will read their works in celebration of National Poetry Month. Free copies of *ReWrites* will be provided to those in attendance. For more information, call Borders Books and Music at (609) 407 1960, or **Gerri Black**, *ReWrites* advisor, ext. 4971.

Art Gallery Features Cape May Artists; Reception on Sunday

The ACCC Art Gallery will feature an exhibit of photographs by Tina Giaimo and Don Merwin of Spirit Catcher Photography, through April 29. The exhibit is free and open to the public. A reception to meet the artists will be held 1-4 p.m., Sunday, April 18.

Giaimo and Merwin, of Cape May, find inspiration for their works in nature. Their images were included in the annual Visitors Guide published by the Chamber of Commerce of Greater Cape May, with Merwin's image of the Cape May Point Lighthouse and an old beach bike on the cover in 2003. Giaimo was awarded first place in the National Arts Program in Cape May County in July 2003. They have participated in the Promenade Art Show and Mall Art Shows in Cape May, and the Strawberry Festival, Lima Bean Festival and Farmers Market in West Cape May. Their work can also be found at several shops in Cape May.

Performing Arts Club Presents 'You Can't Take It With You'

The Performing Arts Club performs "You Can't Take It With You," two weekends beginning April 30, in Walter Edge Theater. Performances are planned for Friday, April 30, 8 p.m.; Saturday, May 1, 8 p.m.; Sunday, May 2, 3 p.m.; Friday, May 7, 8 p.m.; and Saturday, May 8, 2 and 8 p.m. Tickets are \$8 general, \$5 for ACCC students, alumni association members and senior citizens. For tickets, call ext. 5250.



*Author
Patricia O'Brien*

Author Patricia O'Brien To Speak May 12 at ACCC

Author Patricia O'Brien will speak at ACCC, Wednesday, May 12. The free lecture will take place at 8 p.m. in the Walter Edge Theater followed by a book signing at 9 p.m. The event is presented as part of the Martin L. Blatt Distinguished Speakers Series sponsored by the ACCC Foundation.

O'Brien will discuss her new book, *The Glory Cloak*, a novel to be published in May by Simon and Schuster. The book is described as a "brilliant re-imagining of life for women in the Civil War. The Glory Cloak tells the story of a young woman whose friendships with Louisa May Alcott and Clara Barton sweep her into one of the most tumultuous periods of our nation's history. It is a gripping tale of love, loss, liberation and the endurance of women's friendships."

O'Brien is a novelist, journalist, political correspondent and TV and radio commentator. She co-authored a New York Times Bestseller with Pulitzer prize-winning columnist Ellen Goodman titled *I Know Just What You Mean*. That book is described as a thoughtful, deeply personal look at the enduring bonds of friendship between women, and the power of friendship in women's lives. For tickets, call ext. 5616. Requests should include name, address, daytime telephone and number of tickets required. Tickets will be held at the box office on the evening of the lecture.

Registration for Summer, Fall Courses Begins April 19

Registration for ACCC's five summer sessions and the fall semester begins Monday, April 19, for students who have completed 32 or more credits. Registration for all students begins Tuesday, April 20.

Students can register at all college locations.

The first summer session is just six weeks, running May 24 to July 2. An eight-week session begins June 28 and continues through Aug. 20, and a second six-week session runs July 12 to Aug. 20. In addition, two accelerated 11-day sessions were added, beginning June 1 and June 28. Fall classes start Sept. 2. Extended registration from 9 a.m.-7 p.m. for students who have completed 32 or more credits will be held April 19-20.

Extended registration hours for all students continue April 21-22, and regular registration hours from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. begins April 23 and will continue weekdays through June 30 for summer and fall courses. Registration for the fall semester continues through Sept. 1, with extended registration hours May 24, June 28, July 12, Aug. 26, and Aug. 30-Sept. 1. The college will be closed May 31 and July 5, and on Fridays June 4-Aug. 20. Visa and MasterCard are accepted. Depending on their status as new or returning, students can register by mail, fax, phone and the Internet.

Cookbook for Sale in Strudels Bake Shop

Souvenir cookbooks filled with recipes demonstrated at the March 31 Culinary Career Day are on sale in Strudels, the ACA bake shop, for \$5 each. The 40-page cookbook features more than 30 original recipes from the Academy of Culinary Arts award-winning chefs. Recipes include Asian cuisine, Italian cooking, regional American, breads, pastries, desserts and more. Proceeds benefit the Culinary Student Association. To purchase a cookbook, stop by Strudels during business hours.

HERE'S THE SCOOP

by Joe Rossi

ACCC main campus mailman **Tom Roesch** is accepting donations in honor of his sister, Mary, for the MS Walk planned for May 2 on the Ocean City Boardwalk. Mary suffers from MS and her illness has progressed. Funds will help support local programs for over 10,000 individuals like Mary and their families in our area living with this debilitating illness. Please make checks payable to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society and send them interoffice to Tom by Monday, April 26. Your generosity is appreciated.

We extend our sympathies to **Brittany Williams**, City Center admissions, on the passing of her grandmother, Dorothy Williams Robinson.

It's good to see **Sandi Welsler**, ITS, back after an automobile accident. Sandi was broadsided on the White Horse Pike when someone ran a red light and plowed into her. She is a bit bruised, but recovering. Good to see you back, Sandi!

David Piccari, retired facilities management supervisor and part-time consultant for the past few years, underwent heart surgery on Tuesday. Well wishers can reach Dave at: 5049 Marion Court, Mays Landing, N.J. 08330.

Get well wishes to Follett store manager **Katie Mock**. Katie can be reached at: 1388 Elwood Road, Hammonton, N.J. 08037.

We regret to report the recent passing of former associate professor of behavioral science **Martin Sollish**. Marty was born in Brooklyn and served in the Korean War. He was a graduate of St. John's University and earned two master's degrees from New York University. He retired from the college in 1982.

Leslie Atherholt, business office, was surprised to have a beautiful floral arrangement delivered this week from a grateful student and her father to express their thanks for all her help.

It was good to see **Heather Peterson**, enrollment services, who stopped by to see fellow workers recently. Heather is recovering from major surgery. Her mom accompanied her. All things considered, she is doing well. Wishes can be sent to her at: 106 Griscom Road, Corbin City, NJ 08270.

Mr. & Mrs. Eric Stewart returned to work following their honeymoon in Disney World. Mrs. Stewart, the former Angela Smith, can't wipe the smile off her face. Her colleagues in accounting greeted her back with a 'Welcome back Mrs. Stewart' banner. Good to see you back. Congratulations to both of you!

Robert Benner, library, and **Katie Mock**, bookstore, are building a groundbreaking Zero Energy Home (ZEH), one of a handful in the country. A ZEH produces all the energy it consumes annually resulting in a net-zero annual energy bill. The Photovoltaic (solar electric) system's cost of nearly \$80,000 was partially funded by a substantial rebate from The NJ Board of Public Utilities. The home is super insulated and uses a number of energy efficient building materials and techniques. The home was designed to take advantage of passive solar gain in winter. A high efficiency water source geothermal heat pump provides heating, air conditioning and a portion of the hot water needs. A 10kw (10,000 watt) photovoltaic system provides power for this total electric home.

When the power produced exceeds power used, the excess power is fed back to the grid, running the electric meter backward! When power consumed exceeds power generated the house draws from the utility. The photovoltaic system will eliminate more than 575,000 pounds of pollutants and greenhouse gases during its expected lifespan. It is predicted that 10% of U.S. power generation will be photovoltaic by 2030.

Retiree **Fred Sterling** has a new e-mail address and would love to hear from ACCCers. His new address is fmsterling@bellsouth.net. Fred says, "Please do not send me forwarded e-mail. My mailbox can't handle it and bounces back important e-mails."

Happy birthday to: **Charilyndra McIntosh**, April 16; **Mary Lou Breitzman**, **Judy DeSalvo**, **Dennis Huey**, **Neera Desai**, April 17; **Gail Mischlich**, April 19; **William Keener**, April 20; **Jennifer Martucci**, **Rafael Rivera**, April 21; **Marion Caccavale**, April 23; **Dorie Keener**, April 27; **Glenda Stogel**, April 28; **Edward Perkins**, April 29. Adjunct birthdays: **Cynthia Muller**, **Lori Mangano**, April 17; **Meryl Nelson**, April 20; **Andre Scholler**, April 22; **Chad Parlett**, April 24; **Patricia Brick**, April 27; **Dub Wear**, April 28.

NEWS FROM ACCC'S EXTENSION CENTERS

Greetings from Charles D. Worthington Atlantic City Center by Brittany A. Williams

Welcome to **Sandra Riveron**, part-time registration assistant at City Center.

The long Easter weekend did City Center well. Rested faculty and staff returned to busy schedules on Monday in preparation of the nearing summer and fall registration and The Press of Atlantic City Restaurant Gala.

Pre-registration advisement sessions were a huge success. The Student Services Office set up camp in the cafeteria for two weeks. Office personnel pre-advised an estimated 250 students. Pre-registration checklists were created and provided to students encouraging them to take care of a multitude of items

prior to April 20. The checklist alerted students to such things as Financial Aid responsibilities, MMR holds, needed test results, etc. In its second week, the pre-registration session was accompanied by **Judy Matsunobu**'s Flea Market that raised money for the Mary Tower Memorial Scholarship fund endowment. The market was host to myriad vendors and artists and, at the time of publication, appeared to be a real success.

Angela Wang, continuing education, and **Yolanda Cortes**, CCI, are pleased to report that the Introduction to Casino Games class began on April 12. The class is full and will be offered again on May 17 and June 14.

To those of you who have been fielding phone calls about Kids College, you'll be happy to hear the brochures are to be mailed out the week of April 19. This year's Kids College offerings include classes at the Mays Landing main campus, Ocean City Primary School and area hospitals. The Minority Affairs committee is working on a pilot program to sponsor 80 disadvantaged kids to attend specially-arranged Kids College classes in Atlantic City. Kids and parents alike are sure to smile at classes such as TV Acting for Young Adults, Amateur Architects, French Fundamentals, Chess Challenge, Whodunits: Mysteries and Forensic Science and Exploration in Health Careers. For the right price, your child can be a bilingual actor on CSI who builds houses in his spare time and enjoys a challenging game of chess when he's not finding the cure for cancer.

In addition to Kids College, City Center is also gearing up for the Personal Watercraft and Boating safety course scheduled to commence March 15, April 14, May 3 and May 26. So, before you start cleaning up the Jet Ski or tuning up the powerboat, consider registering for this course which is state-approved for issuing a New Jersey Boating Safety Certificate upon successful completion.



The Heart Walk Rally at the Worthington Atlantic City Center was a success! On April 5, members of the ACCC Heart Walk team rallied the City Center to sponsor walkers or, even better, join the walking team. Dr. May, the ACCC Heart Walk Team Leader, provided a free lunch of sandwich wraps and salads for anyone who sponsored or signed up. The Cross Cultural Student Association sold hearts, raising over \$200 for the American Heart Association. More than 20 new walkers signed up for the Heart Walk, which will be at the Ocean City Boardwalk's Sports and Civic Center on 6th Street beginning at 9 a.m. on May 15. Every walker will get a free T-shirt that will have the ACCC team logo on it.

Cross Cultural Student Association advisor Michael Kammer with members Miryan DeVilla, Carlos Camarra, Haydee Cruz, Gloria Londono, Luz Gauson, Herman Fapata, and Wilfredo Garcia at the City Center's American Heart Walk rally.

Deborah VanSant, director of the American Heart Association for this area, gave out information and answered questions about heart health. Accompanying her was a life-sized "Tin Man with a heart." **BettyAnn Hines**, board secretary and chair of the

ACCC Heart Walk team, came loaded with information about joining the team. **Pat Kubaska**, Workforce Training program coordinator, took pictures with her digital camera when she was not busy signing people up.

Serving lunch were **Daymis Alicea** and **Alice Rainey** from Student Services. The Cross Cultural Student Association had been busy preparing for the event. They created over 25 "heart people" that kept the participants company while they ate lunch. Anyone who bought a heart also received complimentary gifts of a notepads, highlighters, pencils, and granola bars.

It is not too late to join the team and help the American Heart Association's research and educational programs. You are not required to be athletic to be a walker. All you need is a heart that wants to help fight the leading cause of death in this country. To sign up or ask for more information, contact **BettyAnn Hines**, hines@atlantic.edu ext. 5001, **Charita McClain**, mcclain@atlantic.edu ext. 5610, or **Michael Kammer**, mkammer@atlantic.edu ext. 4879.

Congratulations to Rummy Pandit, director of Hospitality Management for the Rutgers extension program. Rummy was recognized by Rutgers University as Teacher of the Year! Rummy's office is located at City Center in room 254 or at ext. 4824.

Free ESL welcomes aboard two new part-timers. **Concetta Burzo** and **Oliver West** can be found in room 255 or ext. 4817. Burzo and West are busy handling registrations, testing and scheduling for the Free ESL program's upcoming summer term.

Next week will be a busy one and **Jean McAlister**, administrative services, sends her thanks in advance to the college community as whole for all of its hard work and support of the Gala.

Hello from Rio Grande, the Cape May County Technical School and the US Coast Guard Training Center – Cape May!

by **Lisa Apel-Gendron**



Walter Todd and Melissa Moy enjoy a week in Key West, FL while planning their October 2005 wedding in the tropics.



Lisa and Howie Gendron take a break while hiking Pinnacle Peak in North Scottsdale, AZ.

We are renewed and refreshed at CMCEC. **Denise O'Connor** had a couple of days off to recuperate from her birthday, **Melissa Moy** went to Florida to finalize wedding plans, **Lisa Apel-Gendron** hiked and saw beaucoup baseball in Arizona, **Jim Devine** returned safely from Florida and **Dereck Pruszinski** is off to London to visit family. (We knew Dereck and his wife needed

passports, but we were surprised to learn that baby Noah, age 15 months, is required to have a passport as

well.) Now the entire team is ready for Monday's registration onslaught!



Linda Hair, Melissa Moy, Denise O'Connor and Faith Gager pose in front of the C.A.R.A display in the CMCEC lobby.

Shampoo, soap, hair spray, diapers, lotion, combs, brushes, toothbrushes and toothpaste... sounds like the local drug store, right? Actually it was the CMCEC lobby. Our drive to collect personal care products for women and children housed in the Coalition Against Rape and Abuse's (CARA) shelter was a standout success. Students, faculty, staff and several local dentists contributed hundreds of pounds of supplies to assist local women and their children seeking refuge from domestic violence. **Melissa Moy, Faith Gager, Linda Hair** and **Denise O'Connor** delivered the goods April 8. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

Seven eager students met with Stockton's assistant director of admissions Steve Phillips on April 6 at CMCEC for Instant Admissions Day. Steve provided instant acceptance decisions based on the students' ACCC transcripts, and he took their applications and application fees on site. No muss, no fuss, no waiting for that acceptance letter in the mail. This is the first time we've offered this service to Cape May County students, and now we'll plan to offer it each spring since the response was so positive.

1999 honors graduate Valerie (Sheets) Magill is going to jail. She and two others were the first to graduate from Cape May County's new basic course for corrections officers. After graduating from ACCC, Valerie earned a B.S. in Psychology from Rowan and then joined the Cape May County Sheriff's Office. She was featured in the April 7 edition of the Cape May County Herald.

Get plenty of sleep this weekend. Monday will be wild!

ACCC IN THE NEWS

The Press ran a feature article and photos of the Academy's first Culinary Career Day, which hosted over 200 culinary arts majors from statewide vocational schools on March 31.

The Economic Impact Symposium sponsored by CCI in February was featured in the Casino Connection newsletter. A photo of speakers, including ACCCers **Dr. Richard Perniciaro** and **Dr. John May**, accompanied the article.

The Press' Careers & Employment Section featured the college's upcoming open house and speaker planned for Administrative Professionals Week. A story on the Web Technologies degree program also was featured.

A story and photo appeared in the Cape May County Herald on the ACCC Foundation's donation of \$50,000 for enhancements for the new Cape May County Campus, now under construction in Cape May Court House.

Café J, the Northfield restaurant owned by hospitality professor **Donna Vassallo** and her husband, John Schlaner, was featured in the Daily Journal of Vineland, Vassallo's hometown. Vassallo and Schlaner opened the 60-seat restaurant two years ago.

Jayne Rich, retired criminal justice professor and retired police chief, was featured on a TV 40 segment for Women's History Month.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Dr. Barbara Warner was recently appointed to the board of directors for the Southern New Jersey Council for Parish/Congregational Health Support Services. One of the primary purposes of this council is to "establish and maintain standards of practice for parish nursing and congregational health support services in the southern New Jersey area." Parish nursing and congregational health support services contribute to community health systems within each county. The course, which leads to a certificate in parish nursing, is offered through the ACCC's continuing education division. Dr. Warner completed the course in spring 2003.

Max Slusher, research, shared a comment on a graduate survey with us recently: "Since the day I showed interest in this community college—everyone, truly everyone, was more than helpful, honest and very encouraging. Special thanks to **Jodi Handler** who helped me through the program, to all the women in admissions who answered every e-mail regarding prerequisites to the librarians who really

went out of their way to help with my research—I wish I knew everyone’s name. This place was excellent!” Bravo. Keep up the good work!

Congratulations to **Virginia Macrie**, academic computing web programming and database assistant, on achieving her bachelor’s degree in electronics engineering technology from Thomas Edison State College. Virginia joined ACCC in 2000 as a part-time lab aide. She also has served part-time roles as a content tutor, instructional aide, tech prep online tutor and lab aide monitor. The Hammonton resident secured a full-time position in September 2002.

Denise Coulter, English, was named to Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers 2004. She was nominated by ACCC student Jennie Mason.

ALUMNI

Katie Shields was recognized in the spring 2004 edition of COMAD Update, Drexel University newsletter for the College of Media Arts and Design. Katie won an award for her excellence in marketable apparel design at the 2003 Annual Meeting of the International Textile and Apparel Association in Savannah, Ga., in November. The ACCC graduate transferred to Drexel where she graduated with honors as a Fashion Design major in June. Her senior collection also earned her the Karen Andes Rosenberg Award for Professionalism and Academic Excellence. She is employed as a Design Associate at the Anthropologie Corporation in Philadelphia. Her proud mom is ACCCer **Shirley Shields**, program coordinator, LAC.

Colleen Cimino, ’89 ACA, is the food service director for Penns Grove-Carney’s Point Board of Education. She lives in Woodbury.

Michael Schlow, ’87 ACA, owner of three Boston restaurants, was featured on Forbes.com. The article mentioned Schlow’s training at the ACA and shared his recipe for a salmon and vegetable dish. Schlow was also quoted in an article in Nation’s Restaurant News about the Boston Seafood Show.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The calendar is updated regularly at www.atlantic.edu/about/monthlycal.shtml.

Editor’s note: The *Atlantic Cape CommuniCator* is available online at www.atlantic.edu/~mcgowan/communicator/news.pdf

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