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NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW

Employee Service Awards May 7 at Mays Landing Country Club

Don't forget to make your reservation for the Annual Employee Service Awards Dinner, 5-7:30 p.m., Friday, May 7. Employees with 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 or 35 years of service and retirees will be honored 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 today! It's a great event. Hope to see you there. All employees are welcome.

Tom Roesch Named Employee of the Quarter



Tom Roesch is the latest Employee of the Quarter. The Egg Harbor City resident joined ACCC as a clerk in Receiving and Central Stores in October 2001. Prior to joining ACCC he was a mail and messenger services supervisor at Summit Bank and was assistant vice-president for purchasing operations at Collective Bank. Tom is a volunteer with the National Multiple Sclerosis Society and enjoys bowling.

"Tom is always accommodating and very helpful to Continuing Education staff," said **Karen Morelli**, director of the Center for Corporate and Workforce Training

"He helps solve our problems and is just great to work with! My staff is constantly singing his praises!!"

The Employee of the Quarter award is presented to support staff persons who make ACCC a place where students and visitors feel comfortable and welcomed.

The Employee of the Quarter is someone who works hard and is also pleasant and helpful. Tom will receive a reserved parking spot, dinner for two at Careme's and have his photograph displayed at Worthington City Center and the Mays Landing main campus.

Planned Summer Vacation Slips Due to Human Resources June 7

"Planned Summer Vacation" is designed for 12-month employees who, because of work responsibilities, may have difficulty using excess vacation hours before June 30. If your vacation balance is above the allowed balance, you must submit an approved leave request form to the Human Resources office by Monday, June 7. Please write "PSV" on the right side of the leave request form.

Maximum days: 35 Hour/Week Support Staff - 182 hours (26 days); 40 Hour/Week Support Staff - 208 hours (26 days); ACCCOSAP - 264 hours (33 days); Deans/Executive Directors - 320 hours (40 days); and Counselors/ Librarian - 240 hours (30 days). If you do not use excess time, it will automatically be deducted and you will lose it. Your balance is available on your check stub.

Gala Raises \$1,000,000 Since 1984; ACCC Employee Shares Top Raffle Prize

From smoked salmon to seared wild boar chops, the 2004 Press of Atlantic City Restaurant Gala was an elegant and exotic affair focusing on food and student scholarships. The annual event reached a milestone this year, topping \$1 million in funds raised for student scholarships at the Academy of Culinary Arts and ACCC since 1984. The proceeds from this year's Gala pushed the event above that mark.

About 1,000 people attended the affair, which raised approximately \$190,000 and featured an "Enchanted Garden" theme. The event included the signature dishes of 33 of the finest restaurants in Atlantic and Cape May counties and showcased the talents of the culinary students at the Academy of Culinary Arts, who prepared thousands of sumptuous hot and cold hors d'oeuvres served during cocktail hour. The ACA students and chef educators received a standing ovation from the attendees during the dinner reception. A dessert extravaganza capped off the evening.

A 50/50 raffle brought in nearly \$29,000 for college scholarships. ACCC employee **Michael Kernan**, accounting office, and Phil Krula of Egg Harbor Township shared the \$17,340 grand prize. Second prize winner Russell Lichtenstein of Beesleys Point received \$5,780, and third, fourth, and fifth prizes, each totaling \$1,926, went to Matthew Duffy of Ventnor, Frank Petro of Galloway, and Timothy Ichinaga of Ventnor. Planned as an additional way to generate supplementary scholarship dollars for ACCC students, the winning amounts were based on nearly 600 tickets sold.

Held annually in the spring, the Gala has served as the premier black-tie fund-raising event in South Jersey for 20 years, providing the venue for area restaurants to showcase their house specialties while helping to raise scholarship dollars for ACA students.

The 22nd Annual Press of Atlantic City Restaurant Gala is scheduled for Thursday, April 21, 2005, at the Atlantic City Convention Center.



Klaus Muller, dean of the ACA, instructs student on refining an ice carving for the Press of AC Restaurant Gala.

Graduation Stories Wanted

Commencement is Thursday, May 27, and the College Relations Office is looking for graduates who would make good human interest stories. Past stories have included grads who are senior citizens, family members graduating together or who have had several family members already graduate, and those who have overcome obstacles to earn their degrees.

If you know of any particularly interesting students who are graduating, please forward their names and what makes them an interesting story to mcgowan@atlantic.edu or sclapp@atlantic.edu so that we can contact them for permission to share their stories with the media.

Poetry Reading to Benefit Prof. Mary S. Tower Memorial Scholarship

Two area poets will give a poetry reading in memory of former English Professor Mary Tower, 8 p.m., Thursday, May 6, room M-129 on the college's Mays Landing main campus. A \$5 donation to the Mary Tower Scholarship Fund is suggested. Poets Constance Quarterman Bridges of Absecon and Karen Zaborowski of Ventnor will read their writings.

Bridges is the recipient of 1999 Fellowship in Poetry from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts. She has published poems in a number of journals including Heritage Magazine, Journal of New Jersey

Poets, Obsidian II, Potomac Review, Black Diaspora, African American Review and The Oxford Anthology of African American Poetry. Since her retirement from the U.S. Treasury department, she has been a Poet in the School for the State Council on the Arts and the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation.

Zaborowski is the recipient of 1994 and 2003 Fellowships in Poetry from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts. Her work has appeared in journals such as Calyx, Many Mountains Moving, Birmingham Poetry Review, Journal of New Jersey Poets and more. She teaches English at Atlantic City High School.

Ms. Tower died in April 2003 after a battle with cancer. She joined the college in 1969 as an assistant professor of English. She was promoted to associate professor in September 1977 and to full professor 11 years later. Her distinguished service to the college included tenures as division chairwoman for Communications and Arts, department chairwoman for English, faculty association president, Middle States self-evaluation coordinator, and adviser to the student literary magazine and student newspaper.

For more information on the reading, call **Elinor Mattern**, ESL instructor, ext. 4880. To contribute to the scholarship, make checks payable to ACCC and send to the president's office. Note in the memo line of your check: Prof. Tower Scholarship.

Performing Arts Club Presents 'You Can't Take It With You' This/Next Weekend

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.

Representative from The Hartford on Campus May 4

Robert Mangano, representative for *The Hartford*, will visit ACCC's Mays Landing main campus, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Tuesday, May 4, in J-Lobby. Employees in the ABP pension and any PERS members interested in opening a tax-sheltered annuity (403-b) with *The Hartford* should see Mangano for more information.

The Hartford is one of the two new carriers participating with the State of New Jersey Alternate Benefits Program and the Additional Contributions Tax-Sheltered Program. The IRS in 2004 will permit you to tax-shelter up to \$13,000 into a supplemental tax-sheltered annuity. If you cannot attend, but would like more information, please contact Mangano at (800)243-7782, ext. 207. A visit to City Center is planned.

Participating Children Get Free Amusement Rides for Heart Walk; ACCCers Can Walk in Memory of a Loved One Lost to Heart Disease

Don't forget the American Heart Association's annual South Jersey Heart Walk will take place on Saturday, May 15, at Sixth Street and the Boardwalk in Ocean City. The walk will begin at 10:30 a.m. Anyone who is interested in walking can register with any of the Heart Walk Captains and get a free ACCC Heart Walk tee shirt. You can also register on the day of the walk from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Sports & Civic Center on Sixth Street. Free parking is located at 5th Street and the Boardwalk for those who arrive before 10 a.m.

Participating children who raise a minimum of \$10 will get a wristband for free amusements on Gillian's Wonderland Pier 1-3 p.m. and Playland Park 3-5 p.m. that day. This year, walkers will have the opportunity to walk in memory of a family member who they lost to heart disease. Decals in memory of that loved one will be printed to adhere to the back of your shirt. Please submit the name and the

number of decals needed to **Pat Kubaska** at kubaska@atlantic.edu by May 12.

If you can't make the Walk, you can still show your support for the American Heart Association by sponsoring a participant. To sponsor a participant you can make an online donation with a credit card at www.heartwalk.kintera.org/southernjspring and click on Sponsor Participant. ACCC's captains are listed on the site. You can also make a donation by cash or check written to American Heart Association and given to any of the captains. There is no amount that is too small for this very worthwhile cause. Together we can make a difference.

ACCC Art Gallery Features 'The Cedarwater Painters' May 4-June 24

ACCC's Art Gallery will exhibit paintings by The Cedarwater Painters May 4-June 24. The exhibit is free and open to the public. A reception to meet the artists will be held 4-6 p.m., Saturday, May 8. The Cedarwater Painters are a group of women artists mostly from Atlantic County. They meet once a week to ensure they take time from their busy schedules to paint and exchange ideas. All members are actively exhibiting and have had training either through workshops or art schools. The goal of the group is to create new work and grow in their artistic endeavors.

This closely knit group of artists includes **Judi Crescenzo** of Mays Landing, **Paula Demarest** of Linwood, **Diane Griffith** of Vineland, **Mary Ann Kline** of Egg Harbor Township, **Cheryl Knowles-Harrigan** of Milmay, **Dorothy Lodovico** of Mays Landing, **Rita Michalenko** of Mays Landing, **Bonnie Rand** of Hammonton, and **Cathie Skinner** of Mays Landing. All of the women are affiliated with ACCC. For more information on The Cedarwater Painters, visit their Web site at <http://venus.atlantic.edu/cheryl/cwpainters/index.htm>.

For more information about ACCC's Art Gallery, or to book a group visit, call art gallery coordinator, Buddy Jacobs, 625-1111, ext. 5346, bjacobs@atlantic.edu. Visit our gallery on line: <http://www.atlantic.edu/~bjacobs/artgal/artgal.html>.

HERE'S THE SCOOP

by Joe Rossi

If you haven't picked up a copy of the ACA souvenir cookbook from Culinary Career Day, copies are still available 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. Stop by Strudels during business hours. The book is a fund raiser for the Culinary Student Association.

Julie Gonzalez, facilities management, became a grandmother on April 14, when her son, Joshua Thompson, and girlfriend, Jessica Wolfe, had a beautiful baby boy, Benjamin Joshua Thompson. He arrived at 1:29 p.m. weighing 7 lbs., 2 oz. and measuring 20 inches long. Congratulations!

Ellen Gregory, president's office, is selling Varsity "Gold Cards" for \$10 for her daughter, Mattie's soccer team in Egg Harbor Township. The cards provide discounts at many area businesses including many restaurants. Call Ellen, ext. 4901.

Deepest sympathy to **Tom Borucki**, recreation, on the passing of his grandmother, Benedetta "Betty" De Luca. She was 95. Condolences can be sent to Tom at 66 Hope Corson Road, Seville, NJ 08230.

Effie Russell, English professor, is collecting paperback books for ACCC student **Tony Battaglia**, an English honors student and member of Sigma Kappa Delta, who is stationed in Baghdad. Please offer any paperback books for shipment to Tony and his unit. You may write a note inside or just label them

with ACCC, Mays Landing, N.J. Place your donations in boxes in A-128, outside B-110, or send to Effie interoffice.

Tom Roesch, mailroom, thanks all who donated to the MS Walk in honor of his sister, Mary. Tom received \$175 in donations. Contributions are still being accepted. Make checks payable to Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Get well wishes to Facilities Management housekeeper **John Kyere**, who hopes to return in mid-May.

On April 20, the Student Government Association sponsored an Earth Day celebration featuring games, activities, food and refreshments. Staff, faculty and their children also came out to enjoy the festivities. While some students were competing on the bungee run, others were jousting on an inflatable platform. The event was a great success with prizes awarded for the best environmental awareness displays. The Latin Experience Club took first place for their tent display on global warming. The Science Club presented a beach scene where you could paint what you would see on a beach on a piece of canvas. The Performing Arts and Art clubs tied for third place. The SGA thanks all who helped coordinate and support the event.



An unidentified student, left, participates in the Latin Experience Club's global warming exhibit which simulated a science lab in Antarctica which tested the effects of global warming on glaciers. Club members shown include Karen Solomon, Mario Fuentes, Diana Arango, Yenesra Gomez, Danielle Nicholson, Danays Alvarado, club advisor; Isael Serra. The exhibit won first place in the SGA Earth Day contest.



Walkers and sponsors for the American Heart Walk were recruited at the Earth Day Celebration by, from left, Debbie Van Sant, regional director, American Heart Association; Charita McClain, human resources; Pat Kubaska, continuing education; and BettyAnn Hines, board secretary.

Happy birthday to: **Alfred Jayne, Joseph Kosmalski**, April 30; **Carmen Cabrera**, May 1; **Joseph McGrellis, Mark Streckenbein**, May 2; **Cynthia Correa, Michael Mettelle, Peter Mora**, May 4; **Kelly McClay**, May 5; **Mary Yoa**, May 6; **William Dougherty, James Sacchinelli, Mariliu Trinh**, May 7; **David Capelli**, May 8; **Max Slusher**, May 11; **Laura Campbell**, May 12; **Myra Caplan**, May 13. Adjunct birthdays: **Robert Herman, James Ruberton**, April 30; **James Richardson**, May 6; **Mark Delany**, May 7; **Joanne Kulzer**, May 9; **Mary Godleski**, May 11; **Robert Simms**, May 13.

ALUMNI

ACA graduate Scott Daly, '99, is chef at Tun Tavern in Atlantic City's Sheraton Convention Center. Their menu features the finest meats, fresh seafood, hearty sandwiches and homemade desserts, according to a review in Atlantic City Weekly.

NEWS FROM ACCC'S EXTENSION CENTERS

Greetings from Charles D. Worthington Atlantic City Center

by Brittany A. Williams



From right, Continuing Education's Tommy Giardina, Carol Drea and Sherwood Taylor at the CCI booth at the NIGA '04 Expo.

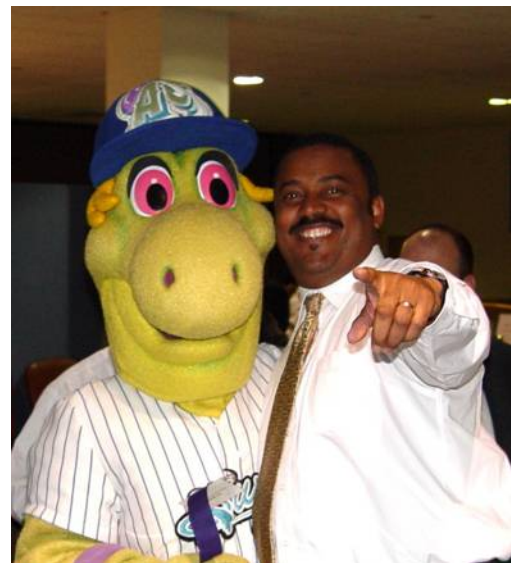
It sure felt like summer at the City Center, but the heat didn't slow anyone down.

Sherwood Taylor, Carol Drea and Tommy Giardina, all of continuing education, recently returned from a three-day expo in Albuquerque. The trio exhibited at the National Indian Gaming Association Expo. Their booth promoted CCI's products including Slot Training, Customer Service and Leadership Training. "There was a very big interest in CCI products online," Taylor commented, adding, "It was a real pleasure to speak to a large number of gaming managers that approached our booth bragging that they took Tommy's slot class." The trio received approximately 25 exciting leads that they will be following up on in the next 90 days.

Marion Pool, continuing education, is happy to inform that if you missed Mayor Langford at the Chamber of Commerce Play Night, you can catch him on May 5 at 6 p.m. Langford will speak at the Atlantic City Free Public Library at 1 S. Tennessee Ave., as part of the Atlantic City 150th Birthday Celebration Speaker Series. This is one of many city-based events the college is supporting as part of the year-long celebration.



CCI hosted a Mock Casino Night as part of its 25th Anniversary Celebration. Pictured, front row, left to right, unidentified guest; former ACCC President Dr. Lawrence R. Winchell Jr., former CCI statistician Arthur Neumann. Back row: (L-R) Dr. Peter Mora, interim vice president for Cape May and continuing education; Atlantic City Mayor Lorenzo Langford, a CCI graduate; and Dr. John T. May, ACCC President.



Mayor Lorenzo Langford and Atlantic City Surf mascot Splash ham it up for the cameras at the Chamber of Commerce Play Night.

On April 15, as part of CCI's 25th Anniversary Celebration, the college hosted a Play Night for the Atlantic City Chamber of Commerce's April mixer. The evening was a huge success with over 60 guests in attendance. A delicious array of food was donated by Hannah G's of Ventnor and Babaloo Grill of Atlantic City. Attendees gambled away faux money to the tunes of George D. The tables were manned by CCI students and guest dealers AC Mayor Lorenzo Langford, Mike Pollock (managing director of Spectrum Gaming Group), and local attorney Lloyd Levenson. ACCC instructor **Bill Schweitzer**, also known as **Karen Morelli's** husband, mixed it up as bartender for the evening.

Today, continuing education hosts the Human Resources Association of New Jersey. Attendees will enjoy a dessert information session and an hour of play on the CCI gaming floor.

Contrary to popular belief, continuing education is not just at the City Center, but also various sites throughout Cape May and Atlantic counties. Continuing ed has been busy delivering training on site at Caesars and Tropicana in Atlantic City; at Sturdy Savings Bank and the Cape May County Health Department; and for Bally Gaming Systems and Spencer Gifts at Mays Landing East. And, last but not least, South Jersey Transportation Authority toll collectors and bus managers participated in customer service training here at the Worthington Center.

Congratulations also go out to the Gonzalez family! **Cathy Gonzalez**, Job Readiness, had a bouncing baby boy, Jory, on April 14. Jory weighed in at 6 lbs. 13 oz. Mom and baby are fine and the family is adjusting to the new addition.

Welcome to **Teresa Torres**, part-time outreach specialist for Job Readiness at the Worthington City Center.

Welcome aboard to **Brenda Douglas**, Outreach Coordinator for the Robert Wood Johnson Nurse Workforce Solution Project. Douglas joined ACCC as a joint appointment to the Workforce Investment Board from Burdette Tomlin Memorial Hospital. Between Douglas and City Center's **Mary Jean Burke**, the two are sure to have Atlantic and Cape May County residents lining up to begin nursing careers.

Kids College brochures are on their way. Workshops and seminars sent bundles of the guide out to main campus, Mays Landing East, and Cape May Extension last week. Great job to **Donna Leeds** who hand drew all the cartoon characters throughout the guide. Great job, Donna!

Speaking of Mays Landing East, who is actually over there? To review: **Judy Allen, Esther Gandica, Mindy Hoag, Pat Kubaska, Karen Morelli, Kathy Nickolich, Julia Ratliff, Jean Rowley, Kathy Simone, Reubena Spence** and **Rachel Wettstein** are at Mays Landing East, which is more commonly known as "the middle of nowhere" or T-building.

Have you been trying to reach **Josie Chivale** lately? Well, her absence during the Gala and the peak registration week can be explained. Josie recently underwent surgery on her knee and will be out for a while. Due to some complications, she is waiting for word from her physical therapist on when she can stop lazing around her indoor pool and get back to work. Well wishes and good-spirited sarcasm can be sent to Josie at 142 Pitney Road, Galloway, NJ 08205.

Judy Matsunobu, ESL, and the Mary Tower Scholarship Committee send thanks to all who supported the spring Festival Craft Fair and Flea Market. The main purpose of the event was to raise funds for the scholarship. The event raised \$300! Special thanks to the student services, administrative services, security and maintenance staffs for all of their help. Raffle winners included students **Kamran Ali, Ken Chau** and **Maipu Duran**.

The Press of Atlantic City Restaurant Gala is over! It was a phenomenal success! On April 24, The Press of Atlantic City ran photos of the event which can be found at www.pressofatlanticcity.com. The evening was set to the theme of an Enchanted Garden. Large floral and stone sculptures decorated the tables, the ceilings were swathed in sky blue drapes and along the perimeter of the hall ran large painted flowers illuminated by white lights and branches. After a festive cocktail hour, an impressive dinner, and a sinful dessert, many guests made their way to the cigar lounge or back to their tables to relax and digest and enjoy the tunes of the Walter J. Orchestra.

Jean McAlister, administrative services, reports that this year's gala had the smoothest check-in ever thanks to **Kailin Hackney** of conference and meeting services. Many thanks to those who volunteered for the gala: Peer Mentors: **Bob Affa** and **Tiffany Hutchinson**; ACCC staff and community members: **Donna Albano, Daymis Alicea, Leslie Atherholt, Marge Battistelli, Bill Boyle, Dave Capelli, April Clark, Dave Coombs, Dharmesh Dave, Ronnie Devine, Tammy DeFranco, Tania Dimatteo, Linda Dolan, Carol Drea, Glenn Ferguson, Mary Ann Ferrigno, Frank Forde, Barbara Freeman, Kathy Fritz, Nick Ganaway, Nancy Hand, Signe Huff, Mike Kammer, Sharon Kretmar, Pat Kubaska, Paula Manns, Janime Masso, Katie Mawhinney, Char McIntosh, Marge Mettillie, Geoff Pettifer, Julia Ratliff, Terry Sampson, Jose Santiago, Anne Trifiletti, Jo-Ann Volpe, Penny Wells, Leon Weisfeld, Cliff Whitham, Brittany Williams** and **Brandon Wise**. Thanks to **Donna Leeds**, graphic artist, for the beautiful signs! Special thanks also to those who stayed behind working and manning the fort at City Center: **Ann McClaskey, Steve Miron, Sandra Riveron** and **Yolanda Cortes**.

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

by **Lisa Apel-Gendron**

A cloud of dust surrounds the Extension Center – literally. We're right in the middle of some major demolition projects, and each day brings new levels of drama and dust. Today we watched a house crumble to the ground, followed by dozens of towering, majestic trees. They were obliterated in a matter of minutes. The area is beginning to resemble a war zone. The new campus can't come soon enough!

Evening lab technician **Dereck Pruszinski** and family returned home safely from London, and we're glad to have him back! We hope to have pictures for the next issue of the *CommuniCator*.

Linda Hair, Faith Gager, Melissa Moy and **Denise O'Connor** are sailing through their classes this semester. We're all very proud of them for their hard work and commitment to their educations.

English tutor **Bob Williams** is helping out the testing office during Jump Start. Always flexible, Bob is heading to various high schools to administer the AccuPlacer test.



A retaining wall is under construction for ACCC's Cape May County Campus.

The Cape May County campus construction project is coming along. It's exciting to see the block being laid!

Buzz Hauf will be closing our mini division office at the Tech School for the summer on May 13. He'll be back again in September to get things rolling at "The Tech" for what should be our last year there.

Customized Training finished up this week with a section of Word 2000 for Sturdy Savings Bank employees. We were pleased to see **Gary Schafer** again. Gary taught all of the Sturdy classes, including Word, Access and Excel. We had to run Office 2000 for this client, even though we normally run Office XP in the labs. Thanks to lab technicians **Mike**

Hadrava and **Dereck Pruszinski** for swapping out the hard drives to accommodate each Sturdy class. Great teamwork!

We have 16 credit classes this summer at CMCEC. Please pass the word that we really *are* open in the summer, despite our proximity to the beach!

Register Now For ACCC's Summer Kids College

Are you looking for something different and exciting for your children to do this summer? Encourage them to learn more about their favorite interests, or explore new ones, at Kids College. Dozens of weeklong classes for youth ages 5 to 12 are offered, from July 12 through Aug. 13, at two locations: ACCC's main campus and the Ocean City Primary School, Fifth Street and West Avenue. Employees get a 20 percent discount off the course fee.

Besides kid-tested, proven favorites like *Young American Girls* and *Whodunit? Mysteries and Forensic Science*, Kids College has developed a variety of new offerings for this summer, including *Kitchen Exploration*, *Money Sense*, *French Fundamentals* and *Movie Magic: The Basics of Screenwriting*. Other returning favorites include cooking and acting classes, computer camps, art workshops and robotics. Kids College classes meet 9 a.m.-noon or 1-4 p.m. "Before Care," from 8-9 a.m., and "Lunchtime Care," for children enrolled in morning and afternoon sessions, are available at no additional cost. This year Kids College will also offer "Wind-down Time," supervised aftercare, from 4-5:30 p.m. for \$35 a week.

Kids College faculty include college instructors, certified teachers and staffers of educational workshops for children, all of them skilled at making learning fun and interesting. Call ext. 4829, for a brochure with complete descriptions of classes, camps, fees and family discounts, or visit www.atlantic.edu.

ACCC IN THE NEWS

A photo of employees from ACCC's Cape May County Extension Center loading donations for the Coalition Against Rape and Abuse appeared in the Cape May County Herald.

Cooper Health Systems and Cooper Hospital is a Newspaper in Education sponsor for ACCC's nursing students, according to the Hospital Newspaper, providing copies of their publication to our nursing students.

A news release on the honors received by ACCC's chapter of PTK, the national honor society for community college students, appeared in the Cape May County Herald.

ACCC was mentioned as a partner in Fairleigh Dickinson University's Community College Partnership program in a Home News article about earning a degree from FDU without leaving the community college setting.

A brief on Culinary Career Day was included in the Ocean City Sentinel.

Another installment of ACA chef educator **Michael Huber's** "Clueless Gourmet" series ran in The Press of Atlantic City recently. This time Michael helped a Mays Landing teacher learn to prepare dinner for her family of four.

Atlantic City Weekly featured the Men R' Cookin' event that raised money for the Atlantic City Boys & Girls Clubs. ACCC Foundation member **Diane McKoy** chaired the event, and chef educator **Bill Bailey** was one of the judges. One of the winners included Patrick Feury '89 ACA, who won best entrée.

Press of Atlantic City articles about NJSTARS included quotes from **Dr. John May** about the importance of the program and how it would affect ACCC. The new initiative was approved by the state Senate in March and provides free community college tuition for students who graduate in the top 20 percent of their high school class.

The Press of Atlantic City Restaurant Gala was featured on NBC 40 and in The Press of Atlantic City. The event has raised \$1 million since 1984.

NBC 40 and Ch. 6 broadcasts included footage of ACA students carving ice sculptures for the Restaurant Gala.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Carol Drea, along with **Kathy Simone**, *School Counts!* coordinator, and **Sue Jones**, hospitality management, represented ACCC at the Cape May County Chamber of Commerce “Business at the Beach” expo on April 21 at the Wildwoods Convention Center.

Congratulations go out to **Sherwood Taylor** who was invited by the Association of N.J. Community College Continuing Education Administrators, also known as XYZ, to present at the association’s Professional Development Day at Mercer County Community College on May 21. His topic will be “New Strategies for Marketing Continuing Education.”

Carol Drea, Business and Resource Development, is happy to report that ACCC’s cont. ed. division has been named by the Press of Atlantic City to deliver a series of workshops and seminars to be funded by the state Department of Labor’s Customized Training Program. The training grant was awarded to The Press for the upgrading employees skills.



Patricia O'Brien

Author Patricia O'Brien to Speak May 12 at ACCC

Tickets are still available for the talk by Author Patricia O'Brien 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 is a noted novelist, journalist, political correspondent and television and radio commentator. Her latest novel, *The Glory Cloak*, will 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.

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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

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