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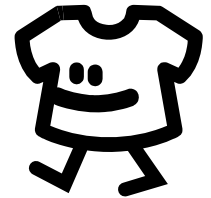
Atlantic Cape Community College's Information Source

April 11, 2008

NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW

'Walking at Work Day' April 16 to Help ACCCers Gear Up for Heart Walk

ACCC will participate in "Walking at Work Day," sponsored by the American Heart Association, Wednesday, April 16. The event is aimed at helping teams prepare for the Heart Walk, Saturday, May 17, on the Ocean City Boardwalk.



ACCC's theme is "It's a Family Affair... You, Kids and Grandkids." Participants are encouraged to begin exercising and walking in preparation for Heart Walk.

Today is the last day to vote for your favorite team t-shirt: www.atlantic.edu/heartwalk. The winning design will be announced on April 14 and **Donna Leeds**, graphic artist, will create the final artwork based on the winning entry. For information on heart disease and stroke, go to www.americanheart.org.

April 7 Bomb Threat Closes CMCC

ACCC's Cape May County Campus received a bomb threat by phone shortly before 1 p.m., April 7. Following procedures, College Security evacuated students and staff from the building and classes were canceled for the rest of the day.

Middle Township Police investigated the threat with bomb-sniffing dogs and were assisted by the Atlantic City Bomb Squad. No explosive device was found. Classes resumed on schedule April 8.

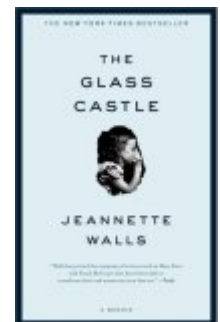
Please Note New Phone Numbers for Facilities

Please note these new phone numbers for Facilities Management. **Penny Gardner** can be reached at ext. 5127. **Linda Jones** can be reached at ext. 5106. To reach anyone on the Facilities Management team, call Penny or Linda, including calls for **Mark Streckenbein**, **Rob Townsend** or **Chuck Scheaffer**.

Planning on Using Collegewide Book This Fall? Order by May 8

If you plan to use the collegewide book, "The Glass Castle," in your fall courses, books for your students will be available. If you would like to review the book before making your decision, copies will be on reserve at all three campus libraries. To reserve books for a fall class, this information is needed by noon, Thursday, May 8:

- Your name
- Course name(s)
- Course number(s)
- Section number(s)
- Maximum class enrollment for each class



Please e-mail the information to cwbook@atlantic.edu. If you're curious about the book, join facilitators **Leila Crawford** and **Stephanie Natale** in an IRC-sponsored discussion of the memoir, 12:30-1:45 p.m., Tuesday, May 6, room J-245 (Mays Landing), room 324 (CMCC) or room 214 (WACC). Space is limited to the first 20 registrants, so register today by contacting Leila, lcrawfor@atlantic.edu.

ACF Accrediting Team Visits ACA April 14-16

The American Culinary Federation three-person accrediting team will be on site Monday-Wednesday, April 14-16. The ACF team will discuss the evaluation process and may ask questions during a reception on Monday evening. On Tuesday, the team will take a tour of the culinary facilities and the student support areas that affect the program, including the library/resource center.

Team members will conduct interviews and observe culinary classes. Course syllabi and supporting material will be examined and the self-study evaluated. The team will be on campus all day Tuesday using J-245 as its resource room. On Wednesday, the team will complete an exit interview where it will give insight to its findings and follow up with a report announcing its final accreditation recommendation within 30 days.

Best Practices at OCC April 24, 25; Last Chance to Register

This is your last chance to register for the Best Practices event at Ocean County College on Thursday and Friday, April 24-25. With the theme of "Collaborations That Work," this conference is packed with compelling sessions and networking opportunities.

ACCCers presenting include **Megan Gargiulo**, HPI Director, who will present "Relationships That Work: Ongoing Collaboration between ACCC and Local Hospitals Improves Workforce Development Efforts in Atlantic and Cape May Counties." **Donna Marie McElroy** and **Heather Boone**, Assistant Professors of Social Science, will speak on "Course Content and Civic Responsibility Come Alive through Service on Campus and in the Community." They will co-present with Donna Vandergrift and Patricia Cohill of Burlington County College.

The full Best Practices program is available online at www.njccc.org.

Register for the conference at the low rate of \$30 for Thursday, April 24 only; \$55 for Friday, April 25 only and \$85 for the Thursday and Friday combination. You can download a registration form from www.njccc.org and fax to (609) 392-8158 or mail to NJCCC, 330 West State St., Trenton, NJ 08618. If you have any questions, please call (609) 392-3434. Hurry, the deadline was April 10!

Proposed State Budget Cuts Hit Community Colleges; Register Your Support

The proposed Fiscal Year 2009 State Budget includes a 10 percent cut in state aid to New Jersey's 19 community colleges. If this funding cut stands, it will greatly impact tuition costs for students who depend on our community colleges for affordable higher education. In addition, the state budget places a family income limit on the New Jersey Student Tuition Assistance Rewards Scholarship (NJ STARS) program and proposed changes could vastly affect NJ STARS.

To show your support of community colleges, visit www.SupportCommunityColleges.com.

For more information, call Jacob Farbman at the NJ Council of County Colleges, (609) 392-3434 or e-mail jfarbman@njccc.org.

Psychology Club Adopts Platoon; Care Package Items Needed

The Psychology Club adopted a platoon deployed overseas and is sending a care package to them in a few weeks. Your help in taking care of our service men and women is appreciated. The following items were requested by our platoon:

- Canned fruit (with pull-off top)
- Chex mix or other brand snack mix
- Energy bars/cereal bars
- Anti-bacterial wipes (no liquid hand sanitizer)
- Baby wipes
- Playing cards
- Chapstick
- Magazines
- Puzzle books

Please note: no pork products or pornographic material due to customs regulations. The drive runs through Friday, April 18. Please place donated items in marked boxes at any of ACCC's campus locations.

For more information, call **Donna Marie McElroy**, club advisor, ext. 5677, or e-mail dmcelroy@atlantic.edu. Your support is appreciated.

Applications for Tuition Reimbursement due April 14

The Sabbatical Committee will soon hold its spring meeting to review tuition reimbursement applications for ACCCOSAP, ACAFA, Education Association and exempt employees. The Sabbatical Committee does NOT review support staff applications. Support staff should contact **Kathy Fritz**, ext. 3744, for information and deadlines.

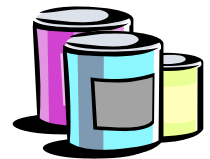
Applications for courses taken during the summer, fall or spring semesters may be submitted. The Committee will consider applications received before, during and up to 30 days after the last day of classes. Applications should be forwarded to **Laura Campbell** in the Senior Dean of Academic Affairs office by Monday, April 14. For more information, contact Laura, ext. 4909, or lcampbel@atlantic.edu. Look for the application form in your e-mail.

Help Surgical Technology CE Class Food Drive to Benefit Rescue Mission

The "Feed Our Neighbors" canned food drive, sponsored by Continuing Education's Surgical Technology class, runs through Friday, April 18. The drive benefits the Atlantic City Rescue Mission. Drop boxes are located at all campuses. Please help if you can.

For more information, contact **Karen Sherback**, ext. 4819 or e-mail

ksherbac@atlantic.edu.



American Red Cross Blood Drive Nets 23 Pints

The American Red Cross blood drive on March 31 netted 23 pints of blood, achieving 77 percent of the 30 pint goal. Twenty-seven people offered to donate. Thanks to all who participated.



Gala Raffle Winners Announced

Lucky ticket-holders shared in the more than \$17,000 in prizes in this year's The Press of Atlantic City Restaurant Gala 50/50 Raffle. The winning tickets were drawn at the 25th Anniversary Restaurant Gala held April 3, at the Atlantic City Convention Center. The winners include:

- First Prize, \$10,380, Jane Osborne and Harry Peek of Wildwood
- Second Prize, \$5,190, Charles Pessagno of Cape May
- Third Prize, \$1,730, John Celestino of Linwood



Winning amounts were based on the number of tickets sold. More than 340 raffle tickets were sold at \$100 each, raising approximately \$17,300 for scholarships. Presented by TD Commerce Bank, this year's dining extravaganza attracted about 900 attendees and raised \$195,000 for scholarships at the ACA and ACCC.

ACCC Idol Talent Winners Announced

Fourteen students competed for the title of "ACCC Idol" during a talent show held at the Mays Landing Campus on March 28.

Education major **Elasha Laster** of Pleasantville was named the winner for her interpretive dance to the song "I Need You." Second place winner was **Ricky Tobias** of Galloway who sang the rap song, "Cockiness." Third place went to **Aaron Palin** of Pleasantville for his singing performance of "Secret Admirer."



From left, Elasha Laster, Ricky Tobias and Aaron Palin gave award-winning performances.

Attendees enjoyed guest performances by 13-year-old Marcus Young of Pleasantville; ACCC Student **Kevin Walker** of Mays Landing; **Lynette Ingram**, Counselor and Black Student Alliance Advisor; and **Aline Bennett**, Counseling and Support Services Office Coordinator.

Other students who participated were **Jill Scheer** of Galloway, **David** and **Daniel Poellnitz** of Mays Landing, **Rezeda Shaymardanova** of Egg Harbor Township, **Hakeem Torian** of Pleasantville, **Priscilla Cuthbertston** of Pleasantville, Capowera Martial Arts Group led by ACCC student **Eduardo Alvarez** of Egg Harbor Township, **Tia Collins** of Mays Landing, **Roberto Ortiz** of Brigantine, **Diamond Betterson** of Williamstown and **Isiah Showell** of Pleasantville.

Judges were Student Development Specialist **Patricia Kelleher**, Support Services Counselor **Hal Lugerner**, Assistant Director of Admissions **Linda McLeod** and Student **Joana Stamper** of Pleasantville. Support Services Counselor **Tammy DeFranco** and ACCC Student **Shawn Mills** of Pleasantville served as emcees.

The contest was sponsored by the Black Student Alliance. The event raised \$130. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Girl Scout Troop #12278 of Atlantic City.

Register Now for April 25 Economic Summit at ACCC

If you haven't registered yet for "Shaping the Regional Economy," a regional economic development summit, there's still time. The event is Friday, April 25, in Walter Edge Theater. The day begins with continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m. The fee is \$30 and includes breakfast and lunch. The forum will feature economists, industry leaders and architects of the past era for an interactive discussion on how to shape the South Jersey regional economy over the next five years.

Attendees will learn about the emerging trends in job creation, health services, housing, education and transportation that will affect businesses, growth communities and public agencies. Participate in discussions that will generate action from local government and learn more about how some resources will be allocated in the region. To register, visit <http://economicsummit.atlanticcapewib.info>.

Health Careers Information Session April 29

The next Health Career Planning Session is Tuesday, April 29, at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria on the Mays Landing Campus. The session will provide information on various health career options and how to succeed, as well as academic supports, training options and alternative career routes for various health professions. For more information, call **Glenda Stogel**, ext. 5048, or visit <http://www.atlantic.edu/program/academic/nursing/healthCareers.htm>.

MetLife Rep Plans Retirement Workshops on Mays Landing Campus April 16

Keith Bermeo, Financial Services Representative for METLIFE, will conduct two retirement planning workshops on Wednesday, April 16, in J-207. Workshops will be held at noon and 1 p.m. Call Keith at (800) 492-3553 ext. 28036 or e-mail kbermeo@metlife.com to make an appointment. METLIFE is one of the vendors in the N.J. Alternate Benefit Program (ABP) and the Additional Contributions Tax-Sheltered Program (ACTS).



WACC to Lead ACCC Team for May 3 Arthritis Walk



Once again, Community Affairs will "Join the Team for a Cure" and lead the ACCC team in the annual Arthritis Walk, Saturday, May 3. The walk will begin at 10 a.m. at the Absecon Lighthouse, Rhode Island and Pacific avenues and continue on the Boardwalk. Participants may choose a one- or three-mile walk.

There are 46 million men, women and children in the U.S. who are diagnosed with arthritis. Take the first step by joining the Arthritis Walk to help raise funds to support research in the prevention, control and cure for arthritis.

Help raise funds to improve the lives of 46 million Americans, including 300,000 children, living with arthritis. Walk for a teammate or to honor a friend or family member with arthritis. Call ext. 4858 or e-mail brenner@atlantic.edu for more information or to register. We hope to see you on May 3 for the Arthritis Walk on the AC Boardwalk!

Free *Philadanco!* Performance at ACCC April 15

Philadelphia Dance Company's *Philadanco!* will perform at ACCC, 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 15, in Walter Edge Theater on the Mays Landing Campus. The event is free and open to the community, school children and dance disciples in Atlantic County. ACCC's Community Affairs Program and Diversity and Equity Committee of the Board of Trustees, in conjunction with Access to Art, Inc., will present the lecture/demonstration aimed at promoting a performance in May in Middle Township.



The lecture/demonstration is an introduction to the dance and choreography of *Philadanco!*, explanations about modern and jazz dance, ballet and Afro-inspired movement for which the company is duly acclaimed. This is a unique opportunity for area school and dance groups as well as teachers and other dance disciples to see the renowned dance company on stage.

Philadanco! performs across the world to rave reviews and sells out at the Kimmel Center in Philadelphia, where it is in residence. The company has performed at the Kennedy Center, the Joyce Theatre in New York, Brooklyn Academy of Music, the Travis Center in West Palm Beach and across three continents to rave reviews and often performs with the Philadelphia Orchestra.

Philadanco! will perform for Access to Art, Inc., at the Middle Township PAC, 417 E. Pacific Ave., Cape May Court House, at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, May 17. Tickets are \$25 and \$30 and may be obtained by calling the Middle Township PAC at (609) 463-1924 from 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

For more information, call **Janet Brenner**, ext. 4858, or e-mail brenner@atlantic.edu.

Chuck Law's Whimsical Paintings on Display at ACCC Art Gallery

"A Different View: Contemporary Still Life Paintings" by Linwood artist Chuck Law will be the featured exhibit at the ACCC Art Gallery, now through May 2. An opening reception with light refreshments, where the public can meet the artist, will be held 1-4 p.m., Sunday, April 13. Admission is free.



Law's modern still life paintings of beach gear, rows of candy buttons and the like are included in private collections throughout the United States as well as Europe. He received many awards for his unique oil painting style done in traditional realism with a contemporary viewpoint. Law also expresses himself through plein air landscape, marine art and animal paintings.

Law was born in Nice, France. He grew up spending time between Southern New Jersey and Norfolk, Va. Much of his artwork was influenced by his proximity to the Atlantic Ocean and Chesapeake Bay. Law's 20-year career as a floral designer has also enriched his talent for color, composition and natural form. He began pursuing painting on a full-time basis in the spring of 2005.

Book Drive 'Give More for Atorkor' To Benefit Prof. Atsu-Swanzy's Village

The second annual book drive to help supply books for a library in Atorkor is collecting books for Prof. **John Atsu-Swanzy**'s village in Ghana, Africa. All three ACCC campuses are collecting children's books, textbooks and reference books for, "Give More for Atorkor," according to Atsu-Swanzy, Assistant Professor of Mathematics.

This year, Absegami High School's Black Cultural Interest Club is assisting ACCC's International Education and Cultural Committee in getting donations. For more information, contact Atsu-Swanzy, jswanzy@atlantic.edu, ext. 5663, or **Paula Manns**, Associate Professor of Economics and Business, pmanns@atlantic.edu, ext. 4969.

ACCC Students Joined Tobacco Protests April 2

ACCC was among 12 New Jersey colleges to stage "Kick Butts" student protests against tobacco on April 2. All three ACCC campuses hosted educational demonstrations focusing on the dangers of tobacco use and exposure to secondhand smoke.



ACCC Student Armando Mendez, left, Egg Harbor Township, sticks one of 1,200 pinwheels into the ground as part of Rebel's University's Kick Butts event. Student Neka Martin of Atlantic City is posting a sign for the event.

The Mays Landing Campus featured 1,200 pinwheels representing those who die from tobacco use on a daily basis.

The Cape May County Campus (CMCC) hosted a 10-table display with a live radio broadcast, informational anti-tobacco games, the opportunity for smokers to get their carbon dioxide checked and more. Students from Cape May County Technical, Lower Cape May, Middle Township, Ocean City, Wildwood Catholic and Wildwood high schools covered the tables throughout the day. Those who visited all 10 tables were eligible for a raffle for an iPod Nano. The winner was Carolyn Botto, a Wildwood Catholic High School student.

The Charles D. Worthington Atlantic City Campus (WACC) staged a “CSI” type event, with silhouettes drawn on the ground representing those killed by tobacco use. Students from Atlantic City High School occasionally “dropped” to the ground to represent another death from tobacco use.

The events were organized by Reaching Everyone By Exposing Lies (REBEL) and REBEL U, student programs sponsored by the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services Comprehensive Tobacco Control Program. For more information, visit www.njrebelu.com.

HERE’S THE SCOOP

April Fool: The electronic signboard on the Mays Landing Campus wasn’t malfunctioning on April 1. It was reversed as an April Fool’s joke to see how many people would report the mishap. Did you notice? This photo was taken at night.



Tickets are available for the Sunday, May 18, gourmet gala benefit for former ACA Chef Educator Bill Bailey. The event will be held 3-7 p.m. at the Ocean City Yacht Club. Bailey was diagnosed with a massive brain tumor on Feb. 2, had surgery and six weeks of chemotherapy and radiation in an attempt to keep the tumor at bay. He is Executive Sous Chef at the Trump Marina. Money raised will defray overwhelming medical expenses. Tickets are \$25 per person at BillyBaileyBenefit@comcast.net or call Vicky at (609) 432-1170, JT at (609) 602-1155 or Nancy at (609) 926-0167.

ACCC’s daily cafeteria menu is now on our Web site. You can check out what’s for breakfast, soups of the day and other offerings at www.atlantic.edu/studentServ/cafeteria.htm.

Happy birthday to **Aline Bennett**, April 12; **Curtis Fitzpatrick**, April 15; **Judy DeSalvo**, **Dennis Huey**, **Neera Desai**, April 17; **Gail Mischlich**, April 19; **Bill Keener**, April 20; **Jennifer Martucci**, **Kristi Neal**, **Rafael Rivera**, April 21. Adjunct birthdays: **John Edmunds**, April 15; **Cynthia Muller**, April 17; **Andre Scholler**, April 22; **Chad Parlett**, April 24.

NEWS FROM ACCC’S OTHER LOCATIONS

by Daymis Alicea

Better weather and I can’t wait now for summer to hit full force! It was a beautiful day when we held the campuswide REBEL event to “Kick Butts” at the City Campus. Our event centered around a CSI-type demonstration. Twenty students from the local high school chapter staged the crime scene, information tables and smoke-out signs. Check out our pictures.



The Latin Experience Club has come to the City Campus and together with the Cross Cultural Club will be hosting an Earth Day event on April 22. The City Campus students will “Go Green” by adopting a flower and planting it in our big planters out front. They will create recycled bottle “Aquateriums” to take home with seedlings. Lastly, we are offering three chances to win a big gift, a Nike store gift certificate, a gardener’s gift basket or an herb garden. Chances will cost \$1 and the proceeds will benefit the Heart Walk. Donations of empty 20-ounce water bottles can be dropped off at the Admissions Office at City Campus only.

The Heart Walk Kick Off will also be a part of Earth Day and the team will have a table...so make sure to stop by and support this year’s team. They will be offering hot dogs, popcorn and hot pretzels at \$1 each. This boardwalk food will get everyone in the mood to walk the Ocean City Boardwalk where the actual Heart Walk will take place on May 17. For more information or to join the team, contact **Mike Kammer**, ext. 4879.

A week to go and registration will be nipping our heels and really... I can’t wait!!

Till next time TTFN!

Greetings from the Cape May County Campus by Lisa Apel-Gendron

Information and fitness are the words of the week at CMCC.

We have information everywhere. Our nursing students have assembled two attractive and instructive displays on the first and second floors. One covers several health topics of interest to women, including breast self-exam, toxic shock syndrome and cervical cancer screening. The important subjects of the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) and the new Gardasil vaccine are covered in the second display. Thanks to our nursing students for providing crucial information to our students and staff! Additional information on sexual violence has been provided by the Coalition Against Rape and Abuse (CARA). April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month, and CARA is exhibiting 30 essays written anonymously by women whose lives have been affected by sexual violence. That exhibit stretches across the second floor bridge. An enlightening display about sexual violence is stationed on the first floor.

More information came to the campus April 2 in the guise of Kick Butts Day, an anti-tobacco event sponsored by REBEL U, Reaching Everyone by Exposing Lies, a grass roots high school and college level organization of students against tobacco. More than 70 high school students spent the day at CMCC staffing interactive exhibits detailing the dangers of smoking and ways to quit.

A respiratory therapist from Cape Regional Medical Center volunteered for the day to explain and demonstrate how smoking affects lung function. Raffles, giveaways and a live radio broadcast complemented the educational exhibits. Great job by **Tim Cliggett, Al Jayne, John Mohr, Di Alicea, Joan Dillon** and the whole Student Services team!



From left, Dr. Joe Rossi, CMCC Dean; Maria Kellett, Major Gifts; Jennifer Martucci, Advancement; Lenora Sheppard, Mathematics; and Deanne Gipple, Chemical Compliance, pose with the Butt Head (a Wildwood Catholic student) on Kick Butts Day April 2.

Now, on to fitness. In preparation for the May 17 Heart Walk, heart captains **Denise O'Connor**, **Terri Hamby** and **Kathy Fritz** have been industriously planning events to get CMCCers walking. In addition to taking monetary donations, they've mapped out an indoor, high-impact route and an outdoor, low-impact route on which students and employees can train for the walk. Terri mapped out the routes and marked them, and Denise and Kathy did the trial run to assure that the directions were clear and easy to follow. So now there's no excuse, people! Bring those sneakers to work and get walking! If you'd like to make a donation now, Denise, Terri and Kathy will be glad to assist.



Left to right Kathy Fritz, Library; Terri-Lynn Hamby, Science Labs, and Denise O'Connor, CMCC Customer Service, changed into their walking clothes last week to test the indoor training route in preparation for the May 17 Heart Walk.

What do you do when you can't go to the ball park on Phillies' opening day? Bring the ballpark to work. Many CMCCers dressed in Phillies (and Yankees) colors March 31 and took advantage of the café's Dollar Dogs Day, downing dozens of dogs during lunch break.

Financial Aid Assistant **Judy Brandis**, a Literacy Volunteers of America (LVA) volunteer, is working diligently with her first adult learner. She says the experience is challenging and rewarding at the same time. You go, Judy!

One of our student workers, **Charlotte Newby**, has been working on a scholarship resource book for CMCC students. **Judy Brandis** and librarian **Irene Percelli** helped Charlotte get started, and she took it from there. After several weeks of research, Charlotte put together a weighty binder of scholarship opportunities from local and regional sources, as well as national sources that target specific careers or demographic groups. She even discovered a scholarship for recent high school grads who used duct tape in their prom outfits!

The non-credit retail skills class for unemployed and underemployed residents is up and running for April. **Kathy Vines** is the instructor.

We heard from former ACCCer **Melissa Todd**, who is loving life in Florida. Melissa works in the financial aid office at Florida Institute of Technology. Of course, the solid experience she gained at ACCC helped her obtain the position. Melissa, husband, Walt, and toddler, Tiernee, are all well and enjoying the balmy weather.

Denise O'Connor is off to the Masters Golf Tournament in Augusta, Ga. She and husband, Brian, love their golf!

CMCC will soon have its first official, SGA-recognized club, Campus Ambassadors. You may know some of the student officers: **Mary Beth Zenyuk**, president; **Melissa Zarharchuck**, vice president; **Melissa Jett**, secretary and **Christine Rodia**, treasurer. **Stephen Jennings** is the SGA rep. The club's mission consists of providing tours of ACCC's Cape May County Campus, assisting new students and visitors, assisting with special events, fostering positive relations between the community and the campus and providing community service. Club advisor is **Lisa Apel-Gendron**.

Have a worry-free weekend!

CONTINUING EDUCATION NEWS

by **Sherwood Taylor**

Congratulations to our recent Medical Administrative Office Specialist graduates and their instructors, **Alice Torres** and **Angela Murphy**. All 11 students passed their National Health Career Association Certification exams.

Slot Technology News Clip: A recent news clip by News Center 40 about our Slot Technology program was posted to our Web site for review. Enjoy! <http://www.atlantic.edu/conted/cci/slotTech.htm>.

FREE! Retail, Sales and Service Training: The Institute for Service Excellence (ISE) is recruiting for its May and June classes. Classes are being held at the ISE in the Hamilton Mall and the Cape May County Campus. The training is provided through an agreement with the Atlantic Cape Workforce Investment Board. For additional information on the program or to refer interested participants, call the ISE, ext. 5600.

Youth Career Advancement Program: ACCC, in conjunction with Job Connection, a partner of the Atlantic County One Stop System and the Youth Investment Council of the Atlantic-Cape May Workforce Investment Board, will train eligible 18- to 21-year-olds looking for entry-level positions in health and office careers. The training will be held in Atlantic and Cape May counties and is completely free. Participants are paid for their time in the classroom, and the program provides some assistance with child care expenses. Please refer anyone who is interested to **Erica Hoskins**, ext. 5682.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The ACCC Buccaneers baseball team won its season opener against Williamson Trade School of Media, Pa., with an 11-10 score. **Justin Byrd** of Ocean City had four RBIs and struck out four batters. The second game was rained out.

An op-ed piece written by Jay Corbalis appeared in the Bergen Record, April 4. The piece was titled, "The Good News and Bad News about Gas." Corbalis is a research associate at New Jersey Future Facts, a non-partisan, non-profit organization that promotes sustainable growth and environmental preservation statewide. Jay is the son of **Kathy Corbalis**, College Relations, and Mark Corbalis, former ACCCer, now Director of Technology at Salem Community College. Read the op-ed at <http://www.northjersey.com/opinion/moreviews/17213352.html>.

Stephanie Mae Lee was inducted into the Oakcrest Honor Society on March 27. She is ranked 18th in her junior class of about 475 students and has scheduled campus visits to the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia and the Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy at Rutgers, New Brunswick. She plans to obtain her doctorate in pharmacy. Proud parents are **Susan Lee**, WACC Student Support Services, and her husband, Jeff Lee Sr. Proud grandparents are retirees **Phil** and **Janet DeCicco**, facilities management. Her family couldn't be more proud!

ACCC IN THE NEWS

Brittany Williams, Executive Assistant to the President and Director of Board Services, was quoted by AC Weekly on how it feels to be named in this year's Top 40 Under 40. "I was smiling from ear to ear with elation," she said. "Soon after, when I learned whom my fellow honorees were, that elated smile was met with a real sense of pride." The Top 40 Under 40 project is a community-based recognition that not only recognizes diligence and community service, but also lays the foundation for a networking community of individuals whose businesses or trades may not have before been linked. In essence, it recognizes the potential in the region's under-40 crowd and expands the human resources of the Atlantic City area by connecting those persons to one another," she said.

Former ACCCer **Brian Jackson**, now Executive Assistant to the President at Stockton, was also named in AC Weekly's Top 40 Under 40. "I'm thrilled to be among such an accomplished and diverse group," he said.

The 25th annual Press of Atlantic City Restaurant Gala received lots of coverage from the local media. The Press of Atlantic City ran numerous photos and articles. ACA Dean **Kelly McClay** was quoted, giving her views on how the gala has changed through the years.

ACCC was featured in a story in The Press of Atlantic City about possible future restrictions to the NJ STARS scholarship program due to proposed state budget cuts.

ACA alum **Michael Williams** '92, was the subject of a feature article in the new *What's On Atlantic City* magazine. Williams, who has been a chef at various casino restaurants for years, recalled such memorable experiences as cooking for Frank Sinatra.

ACCC's health careers education program was featured in an article in The Press of Atlantic City on the expanded health career offerings in the area. The article mentioned ACCC's Health Professions Institute and quoted **Jean McAlister**, Associate Dean of Continuing Education, HPI student **David Courtney** and pictured **Karen Sherback** instructing her surgical tech class at HPI.

The Press of Atlantic City and Atlantic County Newspaper Group covered the ACCC Idol Talent competition on March 28. The Press ran photos of the winners.

The Camden Courier-Post featured an article about the recent donation of four of the latest video slot machines to CCI, courtesy of A.C. Coin & Slot of Pleasantville and manufacturer International Game Technology. **Dr. Peter Mora** was quoted, "We're grateful to have a state-of-the-art working lab for our students." CCI grad **Tony Sacari**, '80, now represents IGT at its A.C. Coin & Slot office.

Continuing Education Instructor **Jessica Tobin** of Galloway was featured in the "Don't I Know You?" column of The Current where people are asked to share something about themselves that many people don't know. "I love teaching," she said. "I teach English as a second language at Atlantic Cape Community College."

ACCC student **Neka Martin** of Atlantic City was featured in a photo in The Press of Atlantic City about the Kick Butts Day anti-tobacco event held at the Mays Landing Campus. The event was also covered by NBC40, The Press of Atlantic City, the Current Newspapers and Atlantic County Newspaper Group.

The Gloucester County Times ran a feature article about the Iron Student Chef competition held at ACA. Mentioned were winner **Carlie Worden** of Sewell and her teammates **Sara Hutchinson** of Ocean City and **Paige Puentes** of Hammonton. Also mentioned were ACA Chef Educators **Annmarie Chelius** and **Michael Huber** who served as judges, as well as ACA alum judges **Lisa Savage** and 2007 Iron Student Chef winner **Michael Inferrera**. NBC40, The Press of Atlantic City, The Daily Journal and Cape May Herald newspapers also covered the event.

Adjunct Art Instructor **Cheryl Crews** was featured in an article in the Cape May County Herald newspapers about a visit by local female artists to the Tietelman Middle School in Erma, held in conjunction with Women's History Month.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

Dr. Mora thanks the ACCC Foundation and the college staff and students who helped make the 25th Restaurant Gala such a success. Job well done!

Brittany Williams is leading a comprehensive review of collegewide policies and procedures that will require the support, expertise and feedback from several departments during the coming year. It never hurts to familiarize yourself with college policies and procedures. Check them out on the Web.

ACCC belongs to a number of professional organizations that work locally, regionally and nationally in support of the community college sector:

American Council on Education

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The calendar is updated regularly at <http://www.atlantic.edu/calendars/index.php>. Be sure to add your events. Go to www.atlantic.edu and at the top right, click on calendars. Scroll down and at the bottom left, select Add Event Form and submit your event!

Next CommuniCator April 25

The next *Atlantic Cape CommuniCator* will be Friday, April 25. Deadline is noon, Monday, April 21. E-mail your submissions to mcgowan@atlantic.edu.

—Kathy McGowan, editor