

ATLANTIC CAPE COMMUNICATOR

Atlantic Cape Community College's Information Source

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NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW

College Community Invited to Hear Vendor Presentations for New MIS Vendor

The college community is invited to hear presentations from vendors on their Management Information System software. A committee representing all areas of the college began meeting in March 2007 to identify the needs of a new MIS system. ACCC needs to identify a product to replace the current system (FRS, SIS, HRS), which will not be supported beyond 2011.

Three vendors have submitted proposals and will make presentations to afford everyone the opportunity to learn what each has to offer: SunGard, Feb. 7-8; Jenzabar, Feb. 14-15; and Datatel, Feb. 18-19. All presentations are in Cafeteria B on the Mays Landing Campus. To make sure your area's needs are met, you are invited to attend the session that pertains to your area:

Feb. 7, 14 and 19

9-10 a.m. - Entire student service process, recruitment through graduation
10-10:50 a.m. - Recruitment and Admissions including Continuing Education
11 a.m.-noon - Financial Aid
12:30-1:30 p.m. - Student/Faculty Access
1:40-3 p.m. - Student Services including Continuing Education
3-4 p.m. - Student Financial Services
4:10 p.m. - Technical Discussion

Feb. 8, 15 and 18

9-10 a.m. - Financial Administration
10-10:50 a.m. - Purchasing and Accounts Payable
11-11:45 a.m. - Human Resource Management
12:30-1:30 p.m. - Payroll Administration
1:30-2:20 p.m. - Advancement
2:30-3:30 p.m. - Classroom Management
3:30-4:30 p.m. - Institutional Research
3:30-4:30 p.m. - Implementation Planning

Original Faculty Member Larry Reber Retires

The board recently accepted the retirement of **Larry Stuart Reber**, retroactive to Jan. 1. Reber joined the college on September 1, 1966 as one of its original full-time faculty members and served ACCC for more than four decades as Assistant Professor of Business.



Reber earned his bachelor's and master's degrees at Penn State. He also attended

Shippensburg, Albright, Bloomsburg and New York universities.

Reber provided service as Faculty Coordinator in the Cooperative Education Program. He served on college committees for Academic Standing and Student and Community Affairs. The Cherry Hill resident is a member of the National Business Education Association, the Eastern Business Teachers Associations and the Business Communications Association.

He also served ACCC as a faculty coordinator in the Cooperative Education Program and participated in the college's Business Symposium for high school students. At their January meeting, the board extended best wishes and appreciation for more than 40 years of loyal service.

Security Breach at Blue Cross/Blue Shield May Effect ACCCers

The college was recently notified by Blue Cross Blue Shield of N.J. that a data security breach impacts some State Health Benefits Program members and their dependents. Recently, a Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey employee's laptop was stolen that contained personal information, including the names, addresses and social security numbers of some ACCCers. They do not believe any medical data was on the computer.

At this time, there is no reason to believe that this data has been accessed. Several security measures were employed to safeguard the data and prevent its access. Since the privacy and security of personal information may be at risk, the college was notified of this incident and the actions being taken to avoid any possible damage or harm.

Each impacted member or dependent will be notified by BCBSNJ. Additionally, Horizon has partnered with ConsumerInfo.com, Inc., an Experian® company, to provide affected members with one year of credit monitoring at no cost. The details of how to enroll will be included in the letter, which will include a contact number for additional questions or if you believe your personal information was accessed as a result of this incident.

Gov. Corzine to Hold 'Town Hall Meeting' at ACCC

Gov. Jon S. Corzine will host a town hall meeting on his financial restructuring and debt reduction plan, 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 7, at ACCC's Mays Landing Campus in the Walter Edge Theater. The meeting is one of a series the governor has scheduled in each of the state's 21 counties.

To assist state officials in accommodating all who wish to attend, residents who plan to participate in the town hall meetings are asked to RSVP by calling (609) 777-2208, filling out an online form at www.state.nj.us/townhallmeetings/listing or e-mailing atlantic.rsvp@gov.state.nj.us.

Seeing Red? It's 'Go Red for Women' Day Feb. 1

If you're seeing lots of red today, it's not your eyes. It's "Go Red for Women" day—a national movement founded by the American Heart Association to help women fight back against heart disease, the No. 1 killer of American women. Log on to www.goredforwomen.org to get information on the warning signs for heart attack and stroke, heart healthy recipes and helpful exercises.

To support this fundraiser, employees are wearing red and jeans today to show they contributed \$5 to help the AHA raise women's awareness of cardiovascular disease and empower women to reduce their risk. Those participating in the event should gather at 10 a.m., Feb. 1, at each campus for a photo. Contacts are **BettyAnn Inloes Hines**, ext. 5100, at the Mays Landing and East campuses, **Mike Kammer**, ext. 4879 or **Susan Lee**, ext. 4829, at WACC; and **Denise O'Connor**, ext. 3602, at CMCC.

Changes in State Health Benefits Explained at Info Sessions

Human Resources will hold employee meetings to discuss the April 1 changes to the State Health Benefits Program as described in the last issue of the *Atlantic Cape CommuniCator*. With your supervisor's consent, you may attend.

Bart Musitano, Benefits Coordinator, will discuss the changes on the Mays Landing Campus at 3 p.m., Friday, Feb. 1; noon, Tuesday, Feb. 5; and 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, Feb. 6. All sessions will be held in J-202. Bart will travel to the Cape May County Campus, 2 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 6, room 103. A session was held at WACC earlier this week.

There is a special open enrollment period through Feb. 15 for employees wishing to change their medical plans. If you do not wish to be automatically transferred, this is your opportunity to make a different selection.

You may not add dependents during this special open enrollment period. See "Guide to Choosing a SHBP Health Plan" at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/shbp-guide-2008.pdf>.

The Plan Comparison Summary describing the benefits offered by each health insurance carrier is at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/hb_open_enrollment_apr2008/hb-0798-local-ed-comparison-booklet.pdf

The updated Unified Provider Directory to search for medical providers who are participating in the three managed care networks (NJ Direct, Aetna and Cigna) is

http://www.geoaccess.com/directoriestonline/stateofnewjersey/1_begin.asp.

There are no changes to the prescription and dental plans. See the last issue for details. For more information, call Bart, ext. 5611.

Today is Deadline for Social Science Association Conference Proposals

The deadline for the Call for Proposals for the Eastern Community College Social Science Association's 34th Annual Conference is today, Feb. 1. The conference, titled, "Exploring the Changing Role of the Social Sciences in A Global Community," will be held at ACCC, March 27-29. ECCSSA is an association of professional social scientists and related professionals devoted to advancing research, practice, knowledge and understanding in the social sciences for the progression of humankind. For more information on the Association, visit www.eccssa.org.

Conference coordinators are ACCCers **Donna Marie McElroy**, Assistant Professor of Social Science, mcelroy@atlantic.edu and **Carolyn Coulter**, Assistant Professor of Sociology, ccoulter@atlantic.edu.

Careme's Restaurant Reopens for Lunch; Special Price Available through Feb. 11

Careme's is now open for lunch and offering a discounted price of \$10.95 for its signature lunch buffet through Feb. 11. The buffet features an array of fruits and cheeses, chilled gourmet salads, seasonal soups, hot entrees, vegetables, potatoes and an assortment of homemade pastries.

Careme's, the student-run, gourmet restaurant, offers a fine dining experience that's unique in South Jersey. Careme's is open Monday-Friday, when classes are in session. Guests are seated for lunch from 11:30 a.m. to noon. Tax and gratuity are not included in the special price. For reservations, call (609) 343-4940. This special offer cannot be combined with other discounts.

Careme's opens for dinner beginning Feb. 14. ACCC employees receive a 20 percent discount off regular prices at Careme's.

ACCC Presents ‘Dear America,’ Free Play on March 9 at Two Locations

“Dear America,” a live play presented by ACCC, in conjunction with the New Jersey Theatre Alliance, will offer two free performances for children grades K-8 and their families on Sunday, March 9.

The play will be staged at the Middle Township Performing Arts Center in Cape May Court House at noon and at the Walter Edge Theatre on ACCC’s Mays Landing Campus at 4 p.m. Performances are free, but reservations are necessary.

“Dear America” will be performed by the well-known Pushcart Players Inc. Repertory Theatre for Children. The performance is a high-spirited, fast-paced musical journey that explores ethnic roots and promotes the value of multi-culturalism in the U.S.

The story is about Aunt Trudy, a survivor of World War II, who discovers the precious legacy of freedom and democracy in America during her travels as a musician. Over the course of her journey, she writes of her great adventures and the people she meets in letters to her young niece, Anya. Her correspondence provides a stunning overview of America, past and present, and the roles each ethnic group played in helping to create the mosaic of our nation.

To make a reservation for the Mays Landing Campus performance, call ext. 4826, or visit <http://www.atlantic.edu/dearamerica>. To make a reservation for the Cape May County performance, call the Middle Township Performing Arts Center, (609) 463-1924.

Family Week at the Theatre is an annual statewide festival offering free tickets to young people and their families. It was developed to encourage families to attend professional theater together. To receive a full schedule of other performances, call 1-800-THE-ARTS or visit www.familyweek.com.

Tickets on Sale for April 3 Restaurant Gala

The 25th Anniversary Press of Atlantic City Restaurant Gala, *Reflections: The Gala Turns 25*, is scheduled for Thursday, April 3, at the Atlantic City Convention Center. The annual black-tie event celebrates food by featuring hors d’oeuvres prepared by students at the Academy of Culinary Arts and showcasing the specialties of 40 of the area’s best restaurants at a progressive dining experience. More than 1,000 community leaders, business people, casino executives and food lovers attended the 2007 event.

Live music by the Melanie Rice Orchestra and an elegant dessert reception will complete the night’s events. Attendees will also have the opportunity to win Tiffany jewelry through the Tiffany & Co.’s Keys for a Cause promotion.

The event, which is presented by Commerce Bank, has raised more than \$1.6 million for student scholarships at the Academy since 1984. Tickets to the Gala cost \$200 per person and can be ordered by calling **Sean Fischer**, ext. 5674 or online at www.atlantic.edu/gala.

In addition to food and entertainment, the winning tickets of the Restaurant Gala 50/50 Raffle will be drawn at the event. Prizes include up to \$15,000 first prize, \$7,500 second prize and \$2,500 third prize. Proceeds benefit student scholarships at ACCC.

Only 500 raffle tickets will be sold at \$100 each. Winning dollar amounts are based on all 500 tickets being sold. Winners need not be present to win. For 50/50 Gala Raffle tickets, call Sean or order online at www.atlantic.edu/gala.

Atlantic Cape Safe Youth Partnership Has Successful First Year

The Atlantic Cape Safe Youth Partnership (ACSYP), a Stockton College/ACCC joint venture for community development, has just completed the first year of operations with many outcomes to report. The project funded the Foundation Center library which is located at the United Way Building on Jimmie Leeds Road. It is free and open to the public five days a week. Visitors can access a large database of information on funders as well as tips on proposal writing. Trainings provided by the Foundation Center will be held periodically. Contact Valerie Jackson at (609) 404-4483 for details.

Staff from several partner agencies attended professional development workshops on Organizational Sustainability, Instructional Design, Elements of Grant Writing and Volunteer Development. The partners meet each quarter to learn of new technical assistance opportunities, share their knowledge and forge new collaborative relationships.

Plans are now under way for year two. Director Ariane Newman visited each grant-funded partner in Atlantic and Cape May counties to complete an organizational assessment and determine the types of technical training that each non profit agency requires to improve capacity to deliver services. Fundraising, Volunteer Development and Training and Project Management ranked highest among the agencies need for support followed by Board Development, Long-term Planning and Marketing.

Sherwood Taylor will facilitate two workshops titled, "Marketing Your Non-Profit" on Feb. 11 at the ISE and Feb. 12 at the Cape May County Campus. A grant writing clinic will be held in the spring. The second annual conference in May will highlight Board Development.

For information about the project or workshops, contact **Linda Dolan** at ldolan@atlantic.edu or Luann Inman at Luann.Inman@stockton.edu.

Mammography Van on Campus Feb. 5

The RNS Mobile Mammography Van will return to ACCC's Mays Landing Campus, Tuesday, Feb. 5. The visit is sponsored by AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center and all major credit cards and most insurance plans are accepted. Appointments are still available. Call 1-800-246-2404.

Considering Retirement? Register for PERS One-Day Workshop Feb. 8 in Galloway

A one-day workshop for those in the N.J. Public Employees Retirement System will be offered at the Atlantic County Library in Galloway Township, Friday, Feb. 8, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Participants must register and request a vacation or personal day to attend. For more information, visit:

<https://wwwnet1.state.nj.us/treasury/dpb/PBOSRENROL/SemRegHome.aspx>.

Café Series Lineup for Spring Announced

The next installments of ACCC's popular Careme's Café Series will feature three very exciting artists. The season begins on Feb. 21 with Philadelphia singer, songwriter and guitarist Mutlu, who was the subject of an exclusive live video taping for Rolling Stone, Rhapsody and Visa as part of the Blue Note Jazz Series. His bio describes his music as "a clever blend of soul, reggae, hip-hop and Brazilian jazz deriving inspiration from Marvin Gaye, Bill Withers, Bob Marley and Antonio Carlos Jobim." His latest self-titled CD has received critical raves. The performance is sold out and College Relations is taking a waiting list.

On March 27, the café welcomes folk artist Carsie Blanton. Since her move from Oregon to Philadelphia in fall 2006, Carsie has shared the stage with such nationally and regionally hailed acts as Amos Lee, Jeffrey Gaines, Leon Redbone and Joan Armatrading, and performed live on WXPN radio in Philadelphia. She released her first studio album, the independently produced "Ain't So Green," in 2005.

A third show is scheduled for May 8, with Rex Fowler of Aztec Two-Step. Tickets for all performances are \$35 and can be ordered from **Anna Simmons**, ext. 4907, or via e-mail at simmons@atlantic.edu.

HERE'S THE SCOOP

Sara Turner, health services, recommends the no-cost e-newsletter titled, Body Ecology with tips on health and wellness. Sign up at <http://server1.streamsend.com/streamsend/signup.php?cd=5987&ld=2>.

Congratulations to **Tom Wallace**, the winner of the drawing of all adjuncts who submitted their grades on time. He was awarded a gift certificate.

Presenting a gift certificate to Tom Wallace, from left, Connie Walton, Taffy Peterson, Wallace, Avon Chapman, Karin DeSous and LaKisha Brachew.



Welcome aboard to **Ellen Splaver**, who joins ACCC Feb. 4 as an EOF Counselor II.

A fond farewell to **Becky Fishman**, Office Assistant, Faculty Support Services, who left on Jan. 7 to be a stay-at-home mom.

Congratulations to **Cynthia Correa**, on her promotion to Assistant Director, Student Development. She formerly worked in the Career and Academic Planning Center.

Congratulations to **Luis Montefusco**, on his promotion to Director of Institutional Planning and Assessment from Manager of Institutional Planning

Get well wishes to **Richard Kalman**, Assistant Professor, CIS, who is home recovering.

“Lest We Forget,” an event celebrating Black History Month on the Mays Landing Campus, will be held 11 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 12, in cafeteria B. The exhibit features a private collection of slave artifacts and Jim Crow memorabilia, with a lecture by the curators and video footage.

The African-American Marketplace featuring African-American vendors selling art works, books and jewelry will be held Tuesday-Thursday, Feb. 5-7, 12-14 and 19-21 in the hallway of J building.

Paula Hamilton, Admissions, is proud of her daughter, Shelyna, who received her master’s of education degree in elementary special education on Jan. 27, at Wilmington University, formerly known as Wilmington College. Her class is the first to graduate under the new name. Shelyna works at the Promise Academy Charter School in Camden. Paula says, “Her mother and father are very proud of her!” Congratulations.

Happy birthday to **Doris Hunt**, Feb. 1; **Elizabeth Franchetti**, **Patricia Gandy**, **Paula Hamilton**, **Ronald McArthur**, Feb. 3; **Robbin Haynes**, Feb. 4; **Gayle Edwards**, Feb. 5; **Michael Huber**, **Angela Wang**, **Gweneth Yarbrough**, Feb. 7; **Otto Hernandez**, Feb. 10; **William Buoro**, Feb.12; **Kenya Long**, Feb. 14. Adjunct birthdays: **Michaele Ely**, Feb. 4; **James McCrady**, **Anthony Bertino**, Feb. 5; **Barbara Coloe**, Feb. 7; **Nancy Swec**, Feb. 7; **Sandra Adams**, Feb. 11; **Carol Krzyzanowski**, Feb. 12; **Gloria Feldman**, **Mary McKee**, **Robert Maderia, Sr.**, Feb. 14.

Next CommuniCator Feb. 15

The next *Atlantic Cape CommuniCator* will be Friday, Feb. 15. Deadline is noon, Monday, Feb. 11. E-mail your submissions to mcgowan@atlantic.edu.

NEWS FROM ACCC'S OTHER LOCATIONS

by Daymis Alicea

WACC enrollment is up 16 percent and the weather digits are down by the same... coincidence, I don't think so. I have my theories!

All those who were "Super Givers" in the Public Employees Charitable Campaign were sent a thank you letter and a lanyard last week. Super givers are those who contributed \$200 or more.

We have so many plans for February. I'm going to list them in two parts, so grab a pencil and pull your calendar closer because we have some fun stuff planned.

Feb. 1, as you all know, is "Go Red for Women" Day and we encourage everyone to participate to raise awareness that heart disease is the number one killer of women. Pictures will be taken (hopefully in our lobby). Keep an eye on your e-mail for details.

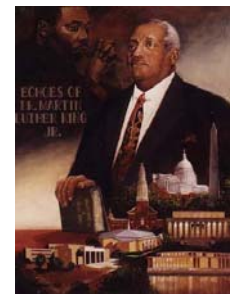
Let's start easy. WACC faculty received a packet in their mailboxes about Black History Month activities at WACC. The theme is Experience the Journey, Enjoy the Legacy. An essay contest for students enrolled in at least one course at WACC ends on Feb. 19. Submit entries to **Daymis Alicea**, Student Services.

Feb. 5 welcomes Black History Month with an Opening Day Ceremony at 11:30 a.m. in the Student Lounge that will highlight George D. Arnold, a renowned speaker who invokes MLK Jr. and recites his famous speech from memory in a truly moving and memorable experience. Following will be singer Dahlia Smythe "noted for a voice like an angel" singing "Amazing Grace." A traditional lunch in the cafeteria will close the event.



Bobby Royal accepts a Super Giver PECC award from United Way's Roxanne Terramagra.

Feb. 7 rings in the New Year for our Chinese students and we will honor this "Year of the Rat" with the traditional art of Origami along with an instructional CD that will lead students in the art of Tai Chi. It will be held in the Student Lounge beginning at 11:30 a.m.



Feb.12 at 11:30 a.m. in the student lounge will be an expansive display of African-American art, memorabilia and artifacts along with Inspirational Speaker Ethel Gaylord on "Why Black History Month?" This energizing event will involve our students in discussion and through a journey of the sacrifices made to gain freedom.

Feb. 13 brings to our door the performance extravaganza of Ssuuna! This one man show will be presenting "Eda Ne Kakati" (from past to present), a cultural adventure which combines traditional songs, dances, instruments, stories, games and costumes. This full-of-energy experience is enhanced with lots of audience participation. Come out and enjoy!



Feb. 14 comes in with kisses and hugs...that's right, REAL kisses, from Hershey that is!! The hugs, well, those are free for the asking. We are full of love here in the city!



Feb. 19 comes booming through with the distinctive sounds of African Drumming. Come and enjoy the bountiful sounds of Kofi & Sankofa Drum & Dance Ensemble as they bring the "essence" of an indigenous African village to life for the viewers. Beautiful drumming, stunning stories and dances and lots of audience participation make this the event to attend!

Throughout the month we will also feature the films “Amistad,” “Amazing Grace,” “Roots,” “Ray,” “Dream Girls,” and the biography film “MLK Jr.: The Man and the Legacy.” Popcorn will be provided and viewing times will vary.

Events are sponsored by the Diversity and Equity Committee of ACCC’s Board of Trustees, Student Activities and WACC Student Services. Check in next time for other events in February.

Keep reading...TTFN.

Greetings from the Cape May County Campus

by Lisa Apel-Gendron

The parking lot is full, the hallways are bustling and spring '08 is off to a sparkling start. Credit, continuing education, customized training and external events coalesce to make each week unique and full of activity.

CMCC hosted the Thomas Heist Insurance Agency for customized training this week. The Cape May County Chamber of Commerce held its board meeting here this week as well. The 4-H public presentations workshop, scheduled for Jan. 24, will be rescheduled soon.

The Institute for Service Excellence will convene a class at CMCC for the month of February, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The curriculum covers retail sales and service.

Bart Musitano, Benefits Coordinator, will visit CMCC 2 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 6, room 103, to discuss changes to the employee health benefit plan. No reservation is needed.

Ashes will be distributed Wednesday, Feb. 6 in Room 132. As of this writing, the time has yet to be determined. Please check with **Denise O’Connor**, ext. 3602, for the time.

While geography adjunct **Wayne Zanni** was completing his master’s thesis, *The Postmodern American Dilemma: Failed Leadership* last fall, his 21-year-old son, Mike, was serving in the Persian Gulf aboard the USS Enterprise. Wayne received an M.A. in liberal arts from Thomas Edison State College and Mike returned home with a promotion to Petty Officer. Congratulations to both Wayne and Mike! In the Jan. 14 edition of *The Press of Atlantic City*, Wayne was featured in a front page article on the presidential race in New Jersey. Wayne is the South Jersey director of operations for Mike Huckabee for South Jersey.

Patience and a penchant for detail describe Financial Aid Representative **Judy Brandis** both at work and at home. Noted for her meticulousness at the office, Judy is now making a prototype of her daughter’s wedding gown. She’ll make the gown first in a less costly material, tweak the design, and then sew it in the actual wedding gown fabric. Wow!

It’s back-to-school time for employees, too. **Thom Partin**, Receiving, is continuing his education at Stockton and ACCC. This semester he is taking Spanish II at Stockton and British Literature II with **Jay Peterson**. **Kathy Fritz**, library, is taking Creative Writing I with **Gerri Black**. **Linda Hair**, CMCC Office Assistant, is taking Applied Human Relations with **Richard Mason**.

April is National Sexual Assault Awareness Month and CMCC is partnering with the Coalition Against Rape and Abuse (CARA) to increase awareness about sexual violence. CARA is hosting a writing contest for those whose lives have been touched by sexual violence. The winner of this contest will have his/her poem or short story published in *The Press of Atlantic City* and the Cape May County Herald. All entries will be displayed for the community to see throughout April at CMCC and the Cape May County Library. For anyone interested in participating, the deadline for entries is March 14. Entries may be faxed to

CARA at (609) 463-0967. Entries may be anonymous. For more information or to arrange a guest speaker for your class, contact CARA, (609) 522-6489.

The deadline for ACCC scholarship applications is Feb. 15. Applications are available at the CMCC front desk and Career and Academic Planning Center, both on the first floor. Please pass the word to students.

Have a worry-free weekend. Go Giants! Go Patriots!

Continuing Education News

by **Sherwood Taylor**

Spring Career Training Recruitment in full swing...The spring guide is out and has arrived at homes in Atlantic and Cape May counties. Some highlights of the guide are:

New this semester, the **Office Technology Specialist** (p. 3) program allows participants to enter the program monthly. CCI offers a newly designed course, **Introduction to Casino Games/Blackjack** (p. 6) which combines Introduction to Casino Games with the foundations of Blackjack, offering participants a time- and cost-saving alternative to begin their table games training. Also new is **Patient Care Technician** (p. 8), which prepares participants for entry-level positions in basic patient care in a hospital setting. These are just a few of the career training programs offered this spring. For additional information on career training programs please call **Carol Fraone**, ext. 5650.

Youth Career Advancement Program (YCAP) Expands Program Offerings: Training is still available for 18- to 21-year-olds looking for a career. 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 participants 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.

Information Sessions: Continuing Education has expanded the offering of its information sessions on Career Training programs held at our Mays Landing East location (building T), room 103, every Thursday at 1 p.m. and the Cape May County Campus, every Thursday at 1 p.m., Room 103. Two additional locations were added: Worthington Atlantic City Campus, room 216A, the 1st and 3rd Thursday at 6 p.m., and the Institute for Service Excellence, Hamilton Mall, room 122, the 2nd and 4th Saturday at 1 p.m. Please encourage anyone interested in our programs to attend a session.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Linda McLeod, Assistant Director of College Recruitment, Admissions, was recently honored by the Kiwanis Club of Atlantic City for her many years of cooperation and assistance in organizing the College Fair co-sponsored by Kiwanis. McLeod recently spoke to the Rotary Club of Ocean City/Upper Township and to about 90 members of the Cape May County Chamber of Commerce on ACCC and NJ STARS and STARS II.

Adjunct History Instructor **Robert F. Holden** was recently recognized as Senior Adjunct at ACCC. Bob has taught Western Civilization I & II at the Cape May County and Mays Landing campuses since 2003. He recently co-authored with Douglas Cervi a secondary education curriculum guide titled, "The Nanking Massacre and Other Japanese Atrocities Committed during the Asia-Pacific War, 1931-1945," completed after extensive research and a trip to China in the summer of 2006. Bob donated a copy of the guide to each of the campus libraries.

ACCC IN THE NEWS

Articles in the Herald Times, Press of Atlantic City and Cape May County Gazette featured the student art exhibit in the ACCC Art Gallery.

A story on ACCC's Master Plan appeared in The Press of Atlantic City's Business and Forecast edition.

Veteran broadcast journalist and ACCC Visiting Professor **Dick Sheeran** was showcased in an article in the Cape May County Gazette announcing his affiliation with ACCC.

ACCC's new pilot program enabling gifted high school seniors to take college courses while still attending high school was the subject of an article in the Herald Times.

Gov. Jon Corzine's upcoming "Town Hall" meeting, set to take place at ACCC Feb. 7, was mentioned in an article in the Courier News regarding the governor's proposed toll-hike plan.

ACA student **Thomas J. Kasunich** was featured in an article in The Press of Atlantic City about his becoming the first Eagle Scout for Smithville Boy Scout Troop 77.

Augie Nigro, Assistant Professor of History and Government, was interviewed on the presidential primary and whether the new, earlier primary in NJ would make a difference to voters.

The seafood challenge held in the ACA was covered by NBC 40, Fox, The Press and WPVI.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

ACCC will host Gov. Corzine's "Town Hall" meeting on Feb. 7 at 7 p.m. in the Walter Edge Theater. The meeting is part of the Governor's plan to host meetings in all 21 counties in N.J. to discuss his financial restructuring and debt reduction plan. More information can be found at www.state.nj.us/townhallmeetings/listing or ACCC's Web site.

Dr. Mora gave welcoming remarks at Faculty Development Day on Jan. 18. The theme was campus security and "Responding to Crisis In and Out of the Classroom." Faculty reviewed ACCC's safety procedures and participated in presentations on how to handle crisis situations. Dr. Mora thanks those who participated and gives special thanks to the Academic Affairs, Human Resources and Security staff members who coordinated the successful event.

Members of the ACCC Board of Trustees gathered at the Cape May County Campus to participate in the Board's third annual retreat, "Trustee Advocacy: The Key To Fulfilling the College Mission." The group participated in a panel discussion and worked in small groups to define and identify strategies to promote advocacy. Dr. Mora and **Brittany Williams** facilitated the retreat with the direct support of trustees **Dr. Liz Dworsky**, Treasurer; **Dave Evans**, Personnel Committee Chairman; **Robert Boyer** and **Maria Torres**.



Trustees gathered for the Board's third annual retreat.

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!

—**Kathy McGowan**, editor