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NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW

Holiday Break Schedule Announced

The college's winter holiday break begins at close of business on Thursday, Dec. 23. We will reopen Monday, Jan. 3. The breakdown includes:

- Friday, Dec. 24 will be taken as Christmas Day.
- Monday, Dec. 27 shall be applied to Columbus Day.
- Tuesday, Dec. 28 counts as Election Day.
- Wednesday, Dec. 29 shall be observed as Veteran's Day.
- Thursday, Dec. 30 will be used as President's Day.
- Friday, Dec. 31 shall be considered New Year's Day.

Order Discounted Copy of 'The Falls' Now; Joyce Carol Oates Here Nov. 30

Place your order for Joyce Carol Oates' new book, *The Falls* now. Copies of *The Falls* can be pre-ordered for the discounted price of \$22. Regular price is \$26.95. The author will speak at ACCC at 8 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 30, in Walter Edge Theater followed by a book signing at 9 p.m. The free event is presented as part of the Martin L. Blatt Distinguished Speakers Series sponsored by the ACCC Foundation. 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.

Hamilton Township Police to Issue Speeding/Stop Sign Tickets on Campus

Due to the many complaints of vehicles failing to stop at stop signs and speeding, Security department has invited the Hamilton Township Police Department on campus. HTPD officers will check college traffic signage to insure it meets title 39 codes. This will insure any traffic court cases involving title 39 will hold up in court. Under state law, violators can be ticketed by HTPD on college property. Faculty are asked to make this announcement to their students.

Cape May County Championship Golf Tournament Raises \$12,000 for Scholarships

The Cape May County Championship Golf Tournament, presented by 1st National Bank of Sea Isle City, raised \$12,000 for scholarships for Cape May County students to attend ACCC. More than 60 players participated in the Oct. 15 event. Special thanks to 1st National Bank of Sea Isle City for sponsoring the event!

Several Autographed Books by Various Authors Available for Holiday Gifts

The ACCC Foundation has several books for sale. They make great holiday gifts! The books are autographed by the author, except where noted. Books include: *About Town*, Ben Yagoda, \$24; *In a Different Voice*, Carol Gilligan, \$13; *The Birth of Pleasure*, Carol Gilligan, \$24; *The Summer Wind*, George Anastasia, \$24; *Summer of Deliverance*, Christopher Dickey, \$24; *Wild Nights*, Anne Matthews,

\$22; *Niccolo's Smile*, Maurizio Piroli, \$20; *Mohawk*, Richard Russo, \$13; *Nobody's Fool*, Richard Russo, \$13; *The Future of the Past*, Alexander Stille, \$25 (not autographed); *Boardwalk Empire*, Nelson Johnson, \$18; *Teens Can Make It Happen*, Stedman Graham, \$14; *The Glory Cloak*, Patricia O'Brian, \$14; *Sacred Time*, Ursula Hegi, \$25. Call Anna Simmons, ext. 4907.

TIAA-CREF Consultant on Campus Nov. 16

A TIAA-CREF consultant will be available to answer financial planning questions and develop investment strategies, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 16, room J-207. To schedule a counseling session, visit www.tiaa-cref.org/moc.

International Festival Planned Nov. 23

ACCC's International Education and Multicultural Awareness Committee will sponsor its third annual International Festival, Tuesday, Nov. 23, in the Mays Landing main campus cafeteria. An international lunch menu including pasta, meatball or sausage sandwiches, egg rolls, oriental stir-fry, greens and chimichangas will be available. Enjoy Latin music and dance lessons from noon to 1 p.m. There will be cultural displays from noon to 2 p.m. with awards and an international dress contest with prizes awarded at 1 p.m. Contest winners will receive cash prizes and gift certificates to the ACCC bookstore.

In conjunction with the festival, the committee has scheduled showings of foreign films next week in the Mays Landing main campus outer cafeteria. *Bread and Roses* (Mexico/US) will be shown at 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 17. *Dersu Uzala* (Japan) will be shown 2 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 18. The Charles D. Worthington Atlantic City Center will show *Monseur Ibrahim* (France), 2 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 17, room 297.

The International Festival is designed to spark discussion on cultural differences, global values and gender roles. For more information contact **Elinor Mattern**, ext. 4880, or e-mail emattern@atlantic.edu.

Beware of Copier Scam; Refer Calls to Dorie Keener

If you receive a call from someone claiming they are a service technician or company for your copier, refer the call to **Dorie Keener**, purchasing, ext. 4920 for verification. Do not provide any information such as model or serial number. It is likely a scam.

Institute for Service Excellence to Move to Hamilton Mall in April

ACCC's Institute for Service Excellence, formerly called the Retail Skills Center, will move to Hamilton Mall in April. The mall will donate the space, forgoing utilities, rent and other mall-related fees totaling about \$1 million over a five-year period. The institute is currently housed in the Atlantic County Office Building in Atlantic City. Training is free for anyone willing and able to work.

If you receive inquiries from those who would like to register for the free program, refer them to **Dharmesh Dave**, 345-6700, ext. 2925. Employers interested in participating should call **Carol Drea**, customized training, ext. 4816.

Vaccination is Not the Only Way to Help Prevent the Flu

You can protect yourself from the flu even if you are not included in a vaccination priority group for the flu season. These simple actions can stop the spread of germs and help protect you from getting sick:

- **Avoid close contact.** Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When you are sick, keep your distance from others to protect them from getting sick too.
- **Stay home when you are sick.** If possible, stay home from work, school, and errands when you are sick. You will help prevent others from catching your illness.
- **Cover your mouth and nose.** Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. It may prevent those around you from getting sick.

- **Clean your hands.** Washing your hands often will help protect you from germs.
- **Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth.** Germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose or mouth.

Other good habits, such as getting plenty of sleep, engaging in physical activity, managing stress, drinking water and eating good food will help you stay healthy all year long.

Flu-like Symptoms? Don't Share Your Germs; Stay Home

Staff members suffering from respiratory disorders, stomach problems or skin rashes are asked to provide their symptoms when calling the absence reporting system so that **Sara Ryan**, health services, can track your progress and help avoid infecting other staff members or students. Employees exhibiting flu-like symptoms should be sent to Sara's office, room 106, near the gym. Her extension is 5112.

To combat a potentially dangerous flu season, facilities management was asked to make sure restrooms are stocked with antibacterial hand soap and paper towels. Call ext. 5212 if you notice short supplies of soap or towels.

According to the CDC, 56,000 deaths occur each year from flu, and that's with ample vaccine supplies. Please help keep the college community healthy.

Put Vitamin C on Your Desk Instead of Candy

With the flu season coming upon us and the vaccine in short supply, **Sara Ryan**, health services coordinator, says we should be taking 500mg of vitamin C at least twice a day. Since so many people gravitate toward candy on desks, Sara suggests purchasing 500 mg of vitamin C with rose hips and have it available on your desk. Also, eat plenty of apples, or drink apple cider, which is plentiful right now, to help keep the doctor away.

PECC Campaign Update

If you haven't made your pledge for the Public Employees Charitable Campaign (PECC) for 2005, there's still time to help reach this year's goal is \$14,700. The goal is an increase of nearly 9 percent, to meet rising needs. Any donations, large and small, are appreciated. During the second week of the campaign, 73 people donated more than \$9,400.

Donate by 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 16, and you'll be eligible to win one of many prizes including dinner in Careme's, gifts from the bookstore, breakfast or lunch from the cafeteria, a gift certificate for Strudels Bake Shop and more. For more information, call **Janet Brenner**, ext. 4992, or see the PECC team member in your area (listed in the Oct. 15 *CommuniCator*).

Call for Proposals for 2005 Best Practices Conference

This is your last chance to submit a proposal for the 2005 Best Practices Conference. A form is available at <http://www.njccc.org/bestpractices.htm>. Showcase your best and brightest ideas, solutions and programs with more than 200 community college administrators, faculty and staff. The conference will be held Friday, April 29, at Mercer County Community College's Conference Center. The deadline for proposals is Nov. 22.

Art Gallery Presents Annual Studio Arts Workshops' Show and Sale

ACCC's Art Gallery will feature artwork from participants in its Studio Arts Workshops program through Dec. 2. An opening reception will be held from 1-4 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 14. The exhibit and reception are free and open to the public. The workshops offer a variety of visual arts instruction to the community and the opportunity to work with a professional artist for a nominal fee. The workshops have

featured such notable instructors as Howard Watson, Homer Johnson and James Toogood. The exhibit primarily includes watercolors, pastels and drawings. For more information, contact **Buddy Jacobs**, art gallery coordinator, at ext. 5346, or bjacobs@atlantic.edu. Visit the gallery online at <http://www.atlantic.edu/~bjacobs/artgal/artgal.html>.

Nursing Program Information Session Dec. 8

ACCC offers a competitive nursing degree program, and individuals interested in learning more about the program's entrance requirements should attend an information session, 5:30-7 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 8. The Information Session will be held in the faculty/staff dining room, C-Building, on the college's Mays Landing main campus. **Glenda Stogel**, college recruiter, will provide program entry requirements, a career overview, and information on what students can expect from the RN program. ACCC's allied health degree programs prepare students for credentialing and professional performance as registered nurses and other health care professionals. For more information, call Glenda, ext. 5048.

ACA Offers 8th Annual Beaujolais Nouveau Wine Tasting Celebration Nov. 19

At one minute past midnight on the third Thursday of each November, more than one million cases of Beaujolais Nouveau, the newest wine from the Beaujolais region of France, begin a journey to all parts of the world.

Wine enthusiasts can celebrate the release at 6:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 19, in Careme's. In conjunction with the local chapter of the Chaîne des Rôtisseurs, the Academy offers a limited number of tickets to this celebration where guests will be treated to authentic French country food and desserts prepared and served by ACA students in the academy's kitchens under the guidance of Chef Educator **Michael Huber**.

Beaujolais Nouveau from six different producers will be available for tasting, and participants can vote for their favorite Nouveau. All proceeds support student scholarships through the ACCC Foundation. The Chaîne will award one \$1,500 and one \$1,000 scholarship to two students during the event.

The cost of the celebration is \$35 per person. To make a reservation, send a check payable to the ACCC Foundation to: Michael Craig, c/o The Washington Inn, P.O. Box 2324, Cape May, NJ 08204. For more information, contact Michael or David Craig at (609) 884-5697.

Paralegal Studies and Office Careers Programs Open House Nov. 17

Students interested in careers in paralegal studies or office systems technology can attend an open house 5-7 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 17, on the Mays Landing main campus. The paralegal studies information session will be held in room B-121, and the office careers program information session will be held in room B-132.

For more information about the paralegal studies program, contact **Marilyn Malerba Keiner**, paralegal studies coordinator, ext. 4941, or e-mail keiner@atlantic.edu. For more information on the office systems technology program, contact **JoAnne Barbieri**, professor of computer information systems, ext. 4988, or e-mail barbieri@atlantic.edu.

Support Baseball Club: Buy *The Press* from a Player

The baseball club is selling *The Press* of Atlantic City on campus daily to raise funds for their team expenses. Purchase a copy from a baseball player or see **Tom Borucki**, student life center, ext. 5043. Cost is 50 cents per issue. The fund raiser runs through the fall semester.

Transfer Scholarships Available to ACCC Students

Students who plan to transfer to a New Jersey college or university may qualify for a transfer scholarship to one of these New Jersey colleges and universities: Bloomfield College, Caldwell College, Centenary College, College of Saint Elizabeth, Drew University, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Georgian Court College, Kean University, Monmouth University, Montclair State University, New Jersey City University, New Jersey Institute of Technology, Rider University, Rowan University, Rutgers University, Saint Peters University, Seton Hall University, Stevens Institute of Technology, Richard Stockton College of New Jersey and William Paterson University. For more information, log on to www.njccc.org/ptkschlr.htm, call 1-800-334-NJCC or e-mail to info@njccc.org.

Cape May County Campus Construction Update

Construction on ACCC's Cape May County campus in Middle Township is on schedule. Crews have completed:

- Ductwork on all floors
- Electrical rough-in walls second floor north
- Roofing infill
- Door frames and stud interior wall on all floors
- North building bathroom rough-in
- South building exterior surface
- First and second floor sheetrock in north building
- Exterior stair footing and block work
- Sprinkle riser and fire pump
- Site work, starting with curbs



The Cape May County campus project is taking shape.

HERE'S THE SCOOP

Deepest sympathy to **Dr. Sandra Linek**, chemistry, on the passing of her beloved mother, Mary O'Dille Alward, a resident of St. John, New Brunswick, Canada. She was 83. Donations can be sent to your local SPCA. Expressions of sympathy can be sent to Sandra at: 1014 Ivy Court, Williamstown, N.J. 08094.

Welcome back to **Tim Behr** who returns as economic development specialist. You can reach him through **Phyllis Bagnell**, Center for Regional and Business Research, ext. 5671.

Happy birthday to: **Mary Ann Ferrigno**, Nov. 12; **Phyllis Bagnell**, Nov. 13; **Ron Jenkins**, **Angel Oyola**, Nov. 14; **Gerald Edwards**, **Christopher Vallese**, Nov. 16; **Danays Alvarado**, Nov. 17; **Regina Van Epps**, Nov. 19; **Ernest Sandoz**, Nov. 20; **Darick Garrison**, Nov. 22; **Heather Boone**, **JoAnna Johns**, Nov. 23; **Wayne Cooper**, Nov. 24. Adjunct birthdays: **Robert Di Meo**, Nov. 16; **David Masters**, Nov. 19; **Lori McIntyre**, **Valerie Lonkart**, Nov. 20; **Jackie O'Neal**, Nov. 21; **Lawrence Montgomery**, Nov. 23; **Anne Merryman**, Nov. 24.

NEWS FROM ACCC'S EXTENSION CENTERS

Greetings from Charles D. Worthington Atlantic City Center

by **Brittany Williams**

Come on over and visit City Center! Why? Because we want to show off what a great team we are. Our offices are everywhere now due to the remodeling. Check out the cashiers doing their thing in the lobby, administrative services is in the cafeteria, faculty mailboxes are in admissions and despite all of the

fluctuation, we continue to be a strong effective team and we're proud of it.

Student services has been busy hosting Mocha Mondays and WACCy Wednesdays in the lobby. Students have been treated to gift packs, cereal, coffee and juice. The office is also busy with ongoing pre-advisement sessions and an upcoming cultural awareness event that will focus on students' home countries on Nov. 18.

Angela Wang has moved temporarily to Mays Landing East. She can still be reached at ext. 4853. In addition, **Dharmesh Dave** has relocated temporarily to the Atlantic County Office Building where he is assisting the retail skills training program. Speaking of which, the RST program is still going strong, information can be obtained from **Carol Nicastro**, 345-6700, ext. 2758.



In preparation for the holidays we will provide a few culinary and hosting tips from City Center staff in upcoming *CommuniCator* issues.

Our first holiday tip comes from **Josie Chivalette**, administrative services: When preparing your glassware for company, try using a coffee filter to keep the smudges away instead of a paper towel or dish cloth.

Our second tip comes from **Kailin Hackney**, conference and meeting services: A surefire way to brine a turkey: blend 2 cups of brown sugar, 2 cups of kosher salt, one orange and one lemon quartered, one bunch of rosemary, and one bunch of thyme in a big bucket with enough water to cover your turkey, let sit chilled for 24 hours and then drain, pat dry and cook as needed.

Kailin also reports that the Center for Non Profits is returning every Friday to City Center for three weeks. In addition, conference and meeting services is also hosting Literacy Volunteers of America for the first three Saturdays in November.

Welcome to **Kathy Simione**! Kathy can be found occasionally at City Center teaching ESLN Intermediate II. Her office, however, is still housed at Mays Landing East.

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

by Lisa Apel-Gendron

We're all aware of the results of the presidential election, but do you know what happened in the *other* election? In **Helen McCaffrey's** Oct. 28 American National Government class, it was independent candidate Ralph Nader over libertarian hopeful Michael Bednarak by a convincing margin. Helen's students enjoyed the full splendor of the democratic process – issues, platforms, promises, speeches, slogans, buttons, balloons, bribery (by doughnuts) and finally the vote. And they didn't have to wait overnight for the results!

CMCEC students met with Stockton assistant admissions director Steve Phillips and his Rowan counterpart Dr. Luci Nurkowski during visits to CMCEC Nov. 1 and 10. Both admissions officers specialize in helping transfer students. Considering attendance at both events, a lot of students were helped!

Back in class...Cape May County instructors **Walt Bernacki, Mike Bolicki, Mary-Ann Boyce, JoAnne Kulzer, Dr. Steve Loper, Dr. Ben Rau, Brenda Tozer, Bob Williams and Lisa Apel-Gendron** are busy constructing WebCT mini-modules in a four week *Introduction to Teaching Online* workshop taught by **Maryann Carol**. The level of intellectual investment is high, as these new

cyberteachers are submitting their completed modules for peer review this week. The workshop concludes Nov. 19. And by the way, Maryann leads a heck of a good workshop. Thanks, Maryann!

Eagles – Cowboys match-up on Nov.15 in Dallas? Not a problem.

Enjoy your weekend!

ACCC IN THE NEWS

Newschannel 40 covered the College Fair held on campus last month. **Linda McLeod**, admissions, was interviewed for the piece.

The Press of Atlantic City ran a feature story on CCI training dealers for the casinos.

A story on ACCC training two students from Jamaica and six from Macao ran in The Press. The casino career training was part of a growing exchange between the college and those two governments.

Pat Owens, continuing ed, was interviewed by The Press of Atlantic City for a story on the Institute for Service Excellence that ACCC is opening in Hamilton Mall. A grants writing workshop offered by continuing ed and taught by Owens was mentioned in the Cape May County Gazette newspapers.

A photo of **Phil Cragg**, ACA chef educator, taking notes at an apple pie bake-off in Lacey Township appeared in the Tuckerton Beacon. He was a judge for the Lacey Historical Society's annual event.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Geoff Pettifer, director of marketing, was named president of the Public Relations Council of Greater Atlantic City.

Keith Forrest, assistant professor, speech, wrote a story titled *Train ride to Childhood: Recollections from the heart*, which appeared in Connections Weekly. The heart-warming story told of his fondness of the PATCO High Speed Line, his childhood memories and reliving the experience with his wife and two young sons. He also wrote an article for the Nov. 5 Philadelphia Inquirer titled *Newfound bakery fills a hole in dreams of doughnuts past*.

The second novel written by **Carol Plum-Ucci**, English adjunct and Atlantic Cape Review co-advisor, titled, *What Happened to Lani Garver*, was nominated for the 2005 Young Reader's Choice Award, sponsored by the Pacific Northwest Library Association. YRCA is the oldest Children's Choice Award in the U.S., conceived in 1940 so that "every student should have an opportunity to select a book that gives her or him pleasure." Students, teachers and parents vote on the five finalists for older teen readers in Washington, Oregon, Alaska, Idaho, Montana, British Columbia and Alberta. Visit <http://www.pnla.org/yrca/2005nominees.htm> for more information.

Dr. Barbara Warner, chairperson of nursing and allied health division, was a presenter at the Parish Nurse seminar which was held on Nov. 6. Dr. Warner's topics were "The Value of Memory as We Age" and "The Gift of Reminiscence." The seminar was sponsored by Burdette Tomlin Memorial Hospital and the South Jersey Council for Health and Wholeness Ministries.

MIDDLE STATES MATTERS

The revised Middle States self-study design was sent to Dr. Robert Schneider on Oct. 29. Thanks to subcommittee members who revised their charge questions in response to Dr. Schneider's suggestions

for improvement. The subcommittees now face the task of determining the institution's effectiveness in meeting the Middle States standards with the goal of building upon what has already been accomplished and addressing any areas of needed improvement.

The work of sub-committee 4 focuses on "Standard 6: Integrity," which states "In the conduct of its programs and activities involving the public and the constituencies it serves, the institution demonstrates adherence to ethical standards and its own stated policies, providing support to academic and intellectual freedom."

In considering institutional integrity, subcommittee 4 will examine several areas. These include an evaluation of the systems in place to ensure students and employees have access to information about institutional policies, the process to address violations of policy, and the programs in place to ensure that a climate of academic inquiry, respect and honesty are encouraged.

Among the questions to be addressed are those regarding academic/intellectual freedom (*Are there publicly stated policies that reflect the college's mission statement, supporting academic and intellectual freedom? How is it ensured that stated policies are being applied and are effective? What methods are used to ensure that an atmosphere of respect for diverse ideas and cultures is encouraged on campus?*); student policies (*Are the college policies and resources for students accessible, comprehensive, clearly written, fair, and impartial? How do we know? What procedures address student concerns, and how are they assessed and improved?*); employees (*Are the procedures for hiring, evaluating, and dismissing employees fair and effective? How do we know? How are employees' concerns addressed? Are employees satisfied with this procedure?*); and Public Relations (*How is it ensured that College publications are reflective of the realities of the College? What is the process for determining what information about the College will be shared with the public?*).

Chaired by **Bill Dougherty**, assistant professor, computer information systems, sub-committee 4 includes **JoAnne Barbieri**, professor, business; **Dr. Godfrey Barlatt**, associate professor, science; **Kathy Corbalis**, executive director, college relations; **Dr. George Dailey**, assistant professor, history; **Bob Johnson**, director, academic computing & web programming; **Elinor Mattern**, instructor, English as a second language; **Ellen Parker**, librarian II; and **Nancy Porfido**, director, student development and housing

On Tuesday, Nov. 16, the Middle States Steering Committee will hold the second Student Forum. Select students have been invited to give their input on their learning experience at ACCC. *Anyone* who would like to contribute their ideas on integrity issues should contact **Bill Dougherty** or on the Middle States process in general, should contact **Dan Thoren**, Middle States chairperson.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

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

--**Kathy McGowan**, editor