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NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW

ACCC Loses One of Its Own, The Rev. John Bryant, Mathematics Professor



We are deeply saddened to report the passing of The Rev. John Bryant, Assistant Professor of Developmental Mathematics, on April 8.

A graduate of San Francisco's Golden Gate University, Father Bryant earned his master's degree in mathematics and secondary education from Rutgers University. He was awarded a master's of divinity in theological education from New York's General Theological Seminary.

In addition to his calling with the Diocese of New Jersey, the Pleasantville resident served as a mathematics teacher and workshop leader for the Camden Board of Education. He was also a GED instructor with Camden's adult high school.

Father Bryant joined ACCC as an adjunct instructor in September 1987 before accepting a half-time faculty role three years later. He served on committees for diversity and equity, policies and procedures, faculty development, and the alternative high school. Father Bryant routinely fulfilled the duties of ACCC chaplain. He was to celebrate his 63rd birthday on April 13.

Expressions can be addressed to the family of The Rev. John Bryant at 114 W. Bayview Ave., Pleasantville, N.J. 08232. (JR)

Make Reservations Now for Service Awards, May 4, at Mays Landing Country Club

ACCC will honor employees with 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, or 35 years of service and retirees at the annual Employee Service Awards, Friday, May 4 at Mays Landing Country Club. The event will begin with a cocktail reception at 5 p.m., followed by dinner and awards at 6 p.m. This year's dinner will be a buffet including four salad choices, roast turkey and prime rib carving stations, two pasta choices, shrimp and scallop scampi, garlic and chive smashed potatoes, seasonal vegetable assortment, breads and white chocolate cheesecake. Coffee and tea are included. There will be a cash bar. Those being honored may bring a guest free of charge. Reservations are required by Friday, April 27. Call **Charita McClain**, ext. 5610. Honorees include:

10 Years

Daymis Alicea, Chris Gamboa, Maryann McCall and Mary Jane Santilli

15 Years

Gerri Black, Tom Clark, Bill Dougherty, Dolores Giannini, Robbin Haynes, Jim MacNair and Judy Niewender

20 Years

Carol Drea, Linda Hair, Dan Matt, Sandy Meischker, Mitch Mischlich, Roze Nicholson, Serena Palmer, Rhonda Petruzzi, Effie Russell and Mariann Sozio

25 Years

Grace Adams, Debbie Ciarrocki, Paula Hamilton, Ann McClaskey, Klaus Muller and Debby Starr

30 Years

Diane Damask and John Mohr

35 Years

BettyAnn Inloes Hines, Dennis Huey and Yechiel Lehavy

Retirees

Agnes Armao, Janet DeCicco, Philip DeCicco, George Duboff, Gretchen Harris, Kitty Kalman, Klaus Muller, Moe Nagrod, Debby Starr and John Torcasio

All Encouraged to ‘Walk a Mile Daily,’ Wear Green and Sneakers on April 24

Start! Walking at Work day is a nationwide call to action for Americans to start living a healthy lifestyle. ACCC will begin the walk program on April 16 and all are encouraged to walk a mile daily at work. Look for information on the cafeteria bulletin board and sign up sheets at the President’s Office and Student Life Center.



On campus a one-mile walk has been mapped out from Careme’s restaurant entrance to “M” parking lot then to “J” parking lot back to Careme’s, then to the Quad and finish at “J” building campus entrance. Look for the white markers on the ground for the 1/10th of a mile breakdown. Sign up for a team with **Aline Bennett**, main & ML East; **BettyAnn Hines**, main & ML East; **Mark Kammer**, WACC; or **Electra Stulak**, CMCC.

Look for the green *start!* stickers. On Tuesday, April 24, celebrate Earth Day by wearing sneakers and green apparel. Walkers will come together in the Quad at the college’s Heart Walk table to report walking results and get encouragement. All are invited to wear green and sneakers to work for a \$5 donation to the AHA on April 24. A Heart Walk kickoff rally and silent auction will be held that day to prepare for the Southern New Jersey Spring Heart Walk at the Sports and Civic Center in Ocean City on May 19. If you can join ACCC’s team to walk May 19, please contact a heart captain.

Reimbursement for Traveling to Non-primary ACCC Locations in New Contracts

Management is compiling distance data for employees who may be (or were) sent to “non-primary” ACCC locations. The chart will include mileage employees travel to primary locations and non-primary sites.

The distances will be provided to Senior Staff members for verification. Employees should wait until the verification process is completed prior to submitting claims. The mileage charts should be available for review within two weeks. Note the mileage rates, below, in effect at various intervals since the opening of CMCC. Reimbursement forms must be accurate or they will be returned to originators.

Jan. 1-Aug. 31, 2005	40.5 cents/mile
Sept. 1-Dec. 31, 2005	48.5 cents
Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2006	44.5 cents
Jan. 1-April 1, 2007	48.5 cents
Beginning April 2, 2007	31 cents

Supervisors are responsible for accuracy. This link contains the New Jersey mileage rate:

<http://www.nj.gov/infobank/circular/cir0102b.htm>

Once the retroactive submissions are completed, verified and reimbursed, future travel to non-primary locations is to be held by the employee for submission on these dates: March 31, June 30, Sept. 30 and Dec. 31. The interval dates do not apply to faculty, who are already on a semester basis.

Quarterly submissions would not apply to conferences, trips to Trenton, etc. Those may be submitted immediately. In all cases, supervisors are responsible for accuracy and incorrect forms will be returned.

ISE Grand Opening Planned for May 4

Mark your calendars for the grand opening and ribbon cutting for the Institute for Service Excellence at Hamilton Mall, planned for 11 a.m., Friday, May 4. ISE team members can be reached at the following extensions: **Sonia Cruz**, ext. 5685; **Robert Cobler**, ext. 5683; **Julia Ratliff**, ext. 5680; **Sherwood Taylor**, ext. 5689; and ISE reception desk, ext. 5600. We look forward to seeing you there. If you have questions, please call Sherwood or Sonia.

Charles Mettille Promoted to Sergeant



Congratulations to Security Officer **Charles Mettille** on his promotion to sergeant.

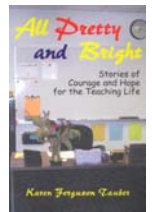
Mettille joined the college in July 2000 and was promoted to corporal five years later. A former pressroom foreman with the Sands Casino, Mettille was also employed by Print Art Inc. of Egg Harbor Township.

An honors graduate of Absegami High School, Mettille is former chief of the Pomona Volunteer Fire Dept. and the Galloway Township Ambulance Squad. He is the recipient of numerous ACCC perfect attendance awards and letters of recognition for his outstanding dedication to the safety and security of the college's students, employees, visitors and property.

Mettille is pursuing his associate degree in business administration with a 4.0 grade point average. (JR)

Bookstore Presents Author Karen Ferguson Tauber April 26

Author Karen Ferguson Tauber will be in the ACCC Bookstore on the Mays Landing Campus, 1 p.m., Thursday, April 26, to speak on her book *All Pretty and Bright: Stories of Courage and Hope for the Teacher Life*. All are invited to enjoy light refreshments and inspirational conversation.



Attend 'Dealing with Disabilities and Disruptive Behaviors' Workshop April 13

A workshop titled, *Dealing with Disabilities and Disruptive Behaviors on Campus*, will be presented on Friday, April 13, by the Disability Support Services office. The workshop will be offered 9-11:30 a.m. and repeated noon-2:30 p.m. The room was changed to H-116 and the workshop will be broadcast to the Worthington Atlantic City Campus, room 288 and the Cape May County Campus, room 324. All ACCCers are encouraged to attend one of the sessions. Refreshments will be served at all three sites.

The presenter, Dr. Julie O'Rourke, is on the staff at Rutgers Center for Children and Families and is a licensed psychologist in private practice. She specializes in interpersonal violence, trauma response and planning for crisis intervention and emergencies.

The workshop will address trends and various types of emotional/behavioral and learning disabilities and the disruptive behaviors that often accompany such disabilities. Special emphasis will be placed on classroom strategies for students with Autism and Asperger's spectrum disorders. Dr. O'Rourke will discuss interventions that involve mental health issues such as suicidal and homicidal ideations, anxiety, depression, schizophrenia and bipolar disorders. These interventions will include safety and security concerns, instructor preparation and planning for crisis interventions.

Nancy Porfido, ACCC's Judicial Officer, will discuss the college's zero tolerance policies in the context of disruptive behaviors. **Lucy McGlynn**, Disabilities Support Services Counselor, will address ADA issues and concerns in relationship to the workshop theme.

If you have any specific questions and concerns that you would like Dr. O'Rourke to address at the workshop, please forward them to **McGlynn**, lmcglynn@atlantic.edu.

Don't Forget the College Skills Workshop and Luncheon April 17

Don't forget the College Skills annual workshop, 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 17, room H-116. If you didn't RSVP to **Lydia Lehr**, llehr@atlantic.edu, by Thursday, April 12, you may be too late. Give her a call, ext. 5609.

Thanks to Those Who Contributed to American Red Cross Blood Drive

Thanks to all who participated in the American Red Cross Blood Drive recently. Seventeen people presented and 13 productive pints were collected. Even though we only made 43% of goal, the Penn-Jersey region of the American Red Cross needs the blood as their supply is low.

'10 Missteps in Student Services Assessment and How to Avoid Them'

Topic of Web Conference, 2-4 p.m., Wednesday, April 18; All Invited

10 Missteps in Student Services Assessment and How to Avoid Them is the topic of a Web conference, 2-4 p.m., Wednesday, April 18, room J-202. Assessment is a hot topic in student affairs and, although the resources for assessment have grown over the years, many practitioners are just beginning to catch the wave and others are getting into deep water immediately.

The presentation will outline 10 of the most common missteps involved in the planning, conducting, reporting and evaluating stages of assessment. Concrete examples, strategies and alternatives that help to begin dialogue and conversation about assessment at the most basic levels will be introduced. The college community is invited to attend.

Time to Clean Out Your Closet and Donate Those Gifts That 'Just Aren't You'

Do you have gift items in your closet that you receive that just aren't you? How about that item you received last Christmas? Donate them to the ACCC American Heart Walk team for the silent auction. Monies raised will boost ACCC's contribution to the Heart Association on behalf of our team, who will participate in the American Heart Walk on the Ocean City Boardwalk on Saturday, May 19. The auction will be held on April 24. Give your items to **Jo-Ann Volpe**, advancement, J-238, silent auction coordinator. Thanks for your support!

Please Recycle Paper, Newspapers and More

ACCC is an active participant in the Atlantic and Cape May counties recycling programs. Items that are recycled college wide, as identified in the College's Recycling Policy, include newspapers, paper, magazines and catalogs, telephone books, junk mail (no window envelopes, please), paperback books, brown paper bags, corrugated cardboard, aluminum cans, plastic bottles and jars and glass bottles and jars. These items should not be placed in trash cans, but rather in the appropriately labeled and provided containers throughout the campuses.

Items that are NOT recyclable include blue prints, gift boxes, paper plates, towels or tissue, waxed cardboard, plastics bags, Styrofoam and glassware.

For more specific information, visit www.acua.com for Atlantic County or <http://www.cmcmua.com> for Cape May County, or ACCC Policies and Procedures Manual; Policy No. 910.

Register for Best Practices Conference at Cumberland CC Now

The Best Practices Conference will be Thursday and Friday, April 26 and 27, at Cumberland County College. The conference, titled *Empowerment through Knowledge!*, begins April 26, with a cocktail reception 5:30-7 p.m., and presentation at 7 p.m., titled *After the Spellings Commission: Where Are We Going From Here?* Participants are invited to a theater production of *West Side Story* at 8 p.m.

Two ACCCers will present *Podcasting: Getting Started Tips and Tricks* at the conference, sponsored by the N.J. Council of County Colleges. **Christina Cavage** and **Susan DePhilippis**, ESL, will walk participants through the steps of creating edcasts and reveal what they learned while creating educational pod and vodcasts for English language learners.

Friday will begin with registration and continental breakfast 9-9:45 a.m. and offers sessions throughout the day. For more information, visit www.njccc.org.

Metlife Invites All to Lunch n' Learn Workshops on Campus April 19

Metlife representatives Randy Warren and Keith Bermeo will hold two "Lunch n' Learn" workshops in Mays Landing on Thursday, April 19, to assist employees with financial planning for retirement. Metlife Resources is one of the authorized vendors for the State of New Jersey Defined Contribution pension systems (ABP and ACTS). The sessions will be held from noon-1 p.m. and 1-2 p.m. in J-204. Reservations are required. RSVP directly to one of the Metlife representatives at (800) 492-3553. Randy can be reached at extension 28393 or rwarren3@metlife.com. Keith's extension is 28036 or e-mail kbermeo@metlife.com.

New! Bookstore at Worthington Atlantic City Campus Offers Expanded Services

Follett's ACCC Bookstore is offering services new to students at the Worthington Atlantic City Campus. The bookstore will:

- Be open the week of extended registration for summer and fall semesters, Monday-Thursday, April 16-19, so students can buy their books when they register
- Be open prior to the first week of class and hold extended hours the first two weeks of class
- Have a "buy back day" May 23
- Sell notebooks, pens and other needed supplies
- Accept returns at WACC. Credit cards will be processed immediately with proper receipt and cash refunds will take 7-10 days to process.
- Be open beginning Aug. 27 when book checks are available to students.
- Send the maximum # of books per class to assure enough copies for students.

The bookstore is developing a Web page so visitors can find the hours of operation at all three campuses easily.

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!

HERE'S THE SCOOP

If you made reservations for the retirement celebration for long-time ACCCer **Debby Starr**, Career and Academic Planning Center, don't forget it's 5 p.m., Friday, at the Epic Grille, Rt. 40, Mays Landing.

Danays Alvarado, ACA, shares a photo of her granddaughter's first birthday. Delanie Rolón celebrated her first birthday on March 31 at West Chester Golf Club in Pennsylvania with a Disney princess-themed party.



Geoff Pettifer, Director of College Marketing, sent this note, "On behalf of my family, I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who sent cards, shared thoughtful words, and made donations to ALS.org in support of the loss of my stepfather. I've shared the warm gestures with my mother and she is equally appreciative. I encourage everyone to continue participating in events and activities to raise awareness and research funding for those living with Lou Gehrig's disease."

Deepest sympathy to former **Sue DePhilippis**, Assistant Professor, ESL, and her husband, former ACCCer **Dominick DePhilippis**, on the passing of Dominick's beloved father, Mario DePhilippis. Expressions can be sent to Dom and Sue at 140 Cypress Court, Hammonton, N.J. 08037. Donations in the name of Mario DePhilippis may be sent to the American Heart Association via www.americanheart.org.

We regret to report the passing of Melissa Ann "Missy" Brown, beloved daughter of former ACCCer Kathie Parsons and stepdaughter of **Dr. Wil Parsons**, Associate Professor of Science. A mother of four, Ms. Brown passed away suddenly, March 30, at AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center at the age of 39. Expressions may be sent to Kathie and Wil Parsons at 2302 Edgewood Drive, Vineland, N.J. 08361.

We wish a speedy recovery to **Angela Stewart**, finance, who is recovering at home from surgery. Get well wishes can be sent to Angie via interoffice mail to **Eric Stewart**, room J-174.

The Rotaract Club and **Mike Bolicki**, Club Advisor, extend thanks to all three campuses for participating in the recent collection of used cell phones. The proceeds will be forwarded to the United Way agencies of Atlantic County and Cape May counties.

Long-time ACCCers may recall **Dr. Walter Reichelt**, Assistant Professor of English and German in the '70s. Dr. Reichelt, a Battle of the Bulge veteran born in Bremen, Germany, passed away on April 5. He was 87. Memorial contributions may be made to ARMC Hospice, 1406 Doughty Road, Pleasantville, N.J. 08232.

Tom Roesch, Central Stores and ACCC Mailman, invites ACCCers to support the National Multiple Sclerosis Society walk on Sunday, May 6, on the Ocean City Boardwalk. As many of you may remember, Tom is caretaker of his sister, Mary, who is stricken with Multiple Sclerosis. ACCCers are invited to walk or make donations in honor of Mary. MS is an unpredictable and devastating disease that can attack any of us in the prime of life. Imagine...one day you are ready to take on the world...and the next day you are faced with the diagnosis of an incurable disease. The cause is a mystery. The cure is unknown. By making a donation, you help provide information, programs and services for more than 11,000 local families living with MS. To someone in a wheelchair, this can mean a grant to build a ramp onto a home or a car lift for a wheelchair or scooter. Call Tom, ext. 5246, if you'd like to support this worthy cause or catch him on his mail run. Your support is appreciated.

Deepest sympathy to **Lisa Stein**, Assistant Professor of Early Childhood Education and Development, on the passing of her beloved father, Stanley Kleeberg, who departed this life on April 5. Memorial donations may be made to: Families of SMA c/o Matthew Stein Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 196,

Libertyville, IL 60048 or www.fsma.org. Expressions can be sent to the Stein home at 104 Holly Lane, Linwood, N.J. 08221.

Happy birthday to: **Robert Benner**, **Eric Mayo**, April 14; **Curtis Fitzpatrick**, April 15; **Judy DeSalvo**, **Dennis Huey**, **Neera Desai**, April 17; **Gail Mischlich**, April 19; **William Keener**, April 20; **Jennifer Martucci**, **Kristi Neal**, **Rafael Rivera**, April 21. Adjunct birthdays: **Allison Roth**, April 15; **Cynthia Muller**, April 17; **Andre Scholler**, April 22; **Chad Parlett**, April 24; **Clarence Wilson**, April 26.

NEWS FROM ACCC'S OTHER LOCATIONS

Greetings from the Worthington Atlantic City Campus

by **Daymis Alicea**

Ten years! That's right folks . . . I've been here for 10 years . . . I was shocked too when I received the e-mail from **Cindy DeFalco**. Wow! It's that time again to celebrate our colleagues who have been here longer than we'd like to admit. As I see it, 10 years is not so bad, though I cringe every time I think of it. I mean, I've been married 10 years (no cringe), had the same bank for 10 years (no cringe), owned some clothes for 10 years (bad, but no cringe), been working here for TEN years (OMG, cringe!). Oh well, at least we get a gift to commemorate the event.

On to other things... the ESL department is readying its advanced classes for the Exit ESL Test and preparing the students for their transitions into the general populous. A series of workshops were held to inform and prepare the students about college placements, degree choices, registration and transitioning to other campuses. I must note though, that most students elected to continue to study at City Campus for as long as possible. What can we say...they love us here! Great job to **Christina Cavage**, ESL Department Chair and the rest of the ESL team.

Did you know . . . InsideHigherEd.com recently featured an article response by none other than our own **Dr. Alice Rainey** regarding 'Composition Courses Taught at Community Colleges,' where she defended 'dragon-sword in hand' the reputation of our esteemed ACCC on the number of seats available in college-level composition classes. Alice bravely signed her own name to her response as opposed to other critics. Bravo, Chica!

Plans for the Arthritis Walk, 10 a.m., Saturday, May 5, are moving ahead. Several ACCCers have signed up to walk and \$76 has been collected for the sale of arthritis walk 'stars' and walker support. On Thursday, April 17, starting at noon, at the Worthington Atlantic City Campus, Dean **Bobby Royal** will be serving hot dog and soda lunches in the cafeteria for \$3. All proceeds will go to the Arthritis Foundation. Please join us for lunch. Call one of the people below to sign up for a one- or three-mile walk. Registration takes place 8:30-10 a.m. at the Absecon Lighthouse on Rhode Island and Pacific avenues with the walk beginning on the Boardwalk. For information call **Ann McClaskey**, ext. 4874; **Jean McAlister**, ext. 4801; **Josie Chivalette**, ext. 4804; or **Janet Brenner**, ext. 4858. We look forward to walking with you!

Kay Pandit, Conferencing and Events at WACC, wanted to advise every one of us who deals with students that there is a program that offers a variety of FREE legal services for qualified students in our area through S.J. Legal Services, Inc. The contact person is Jo-Ann Maker, paralegal, who can be reached at 348-4200, ext. 315. If you know or are aware of any ACCC student who has a legal need, please feel free to pass on this important information.

Well, I may still be here but there is something that truly is well and gone...the garage. The new and official name is Health Professions Institute (HPI) which will house a large multipurpose room, labs, the bookstore and, of course, classrooms of various sizes. Oh, and one other thing, it will also have a new bathroom (seems silly but trust me it's important around here).

The cafeteria is also well under way; the vending machines have a new niche (though the machines themselves are the same) and the back part of the cafeteria is ready for SOMETHING to inhabit it (possibly a cook or two), well... one has hopes!

There are board games available for student use and young adult literature in the Student Services Office that can be borrowed by WACC students, faculty and staff to while away a lunch hour or a break between courses. Please let your students know. Proper ID required. See **Di Alicea** or **Dr. Alice Rainey**.

There are other fabulous things in the wind that are coming down the pike so keep your ears and your eyes open to the news and make sure to read the *CommuniCator* cover to cover.

On that note, think spring...the power of the mind can bring the sunshine!!

Greetings from the Cape May County Campus

by **Lisa Apel-Gendron**

Chrisfix (kris fics) **n. 1** a frustrating technical problem expediently solved by a helpful co-worker; **2** an impassioned call for assistance with technology. This is our new buzz word at CMCC. Since so much of our building relies on technology, we seem to be calling on our ITS guru **Chris Vallese** almost incessantly. Instructor PC fails in a classroom? Call Chris. Printer jams in Admissions? Call Chris. Eudora crashes on the third floor? Call Chris. Copier sends an error message? Call Chris. And usually Chris solves the problem – if it’s fixable – within a few minutes...hence the term Chrisfix.

We have double farewells again this issue. **Sonya Tardy**, Financial Aid, leaves April 19 to take a position with Tidewater Community College in Norfolk, Va. That’s a college with 35,000 students. We think she’ll be busy! Best wishes, Sonya. It was a pleasure working with you.

Matt Bailey, Student Services, takes leave of us May 2 to spend more time at home with his best friend (and wife) Kate. We hear Kate has a healthy honey-do list waiting for Matt. There may be some boating involved, too. Congratulations, Matt. We’ll miss you. You’ve been part of this team for a long time, and we’ll never forget all the fun we’ve had at CMEC and CMCC, especially the breast-feeding incident!

Social science adjunct **Jim Ney** was busy over spring break. He was again asked by the N.J. Administrative Office of the Courts to provide training in human behavior to new probation officers from throughout the state. This is part of a 12-day Probation Officer Training Academy program. They regularly ask Jim to do this training in large part as a result of his teaching experience at ACCC coupled with his years of service in corrections and probation. Jim focuses on juvenile and adult probation relationships and interactions that relate to motivation, emotions, decision making, gender and control.

Sue Van Rossum’s Composition II class is exploring the topic “That’s Annoying!” this semester. Each outgoing class chooses the topic for the next class. Sue reports that the current topic has generated some robust discussion about contemporary American society.

Café associate **Dawn Brewster** will be a very proud mom May 6, as her daughter graduates from Stockton College with a bachelor’s degree in sociology. Congratulations, Dawn!

CMCC is hosting 14 meetings and conferences in April, including the board meeting April 24 and a two-day DYFS conference for 100 people April 26 and 27. The café team of **Cherylann Bartello** and **Dawn Brewster** will be hopping!

When sending items via interoffice to CMCC, please allow an extra day or two. We’ve shifted the time of day that mail is exchanged while the Receiving Department is shorthanded. If you have questions, please

check with **Thom Partin**, ext. 8034.

Yes, CMCC has truly gone to the dogs. Our ‘Have a Heart for Your Furry Friends’ drive to support local animal shelters collected more than 500 pounds of dog and cat food, 80 pounds of kitty litter, 120 dog bones and dozens of pet beds, blankets and towels. Students, staff and faculty clearly showed their concern for sheltered animals in Cape May County. The goods were distributed to local shelters this week.



Photo caption: Committee members Helen McCaffrey, History; Regina Van Epps, English; Linda Hair, Faculty Support; Valerie Crawford, Business Office; and Lisa Apel-Gendron, CMCC Operations, pose with two furry friends and some of the supplies collected for local animal shelters. The two canines belong to Helen. Not pictured is Gail Donaghy, Faculty Support.

Enjoy your weekend!

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Correction: the last issue of the *Atlantic Cape CommuniCator* listed **Elinor Mattern** as ESL. She teaches English. Sorry for the confusion.

Congratulations to **Therese Halscheid** on her promotion to Senior Adjunct Instructor. **Denise Coulter**, English Department chairperson, recently observed Halscheid’s online Composition I course and described it as “beautifully planned and designed.”



Josette Katz, Hospitality Management, and her Hospitality Sales and Marketing students attended the Governor’s Conference on Tourism at Trump Plaza on March 29. **Donna Vassallo**, **Sue Jones** and **Jean McAlister** were also present with students.

ACCC and Tech Prep students from area high schools attended the Governor’s Conference on Tourism in Atlantic City with Sue Jones and Donna Vassallo. At left, Sue and the students pose with Gov. Corzine.

Former ACCC student Danielle N. Thornewell of Hammonton recently published her first children’s book, *The Mems*. The book follows the story of a young girl who is called upon to help the elf-like Mems from the Drones, who have stolen their magic crystal.

Heather Boone, Assistant Professor of Social Science, will be Golde and **Chad Parlett**, Senior Adjunct, will be Tevye in the Jewish Community Center’s production of *Fiddler on the Roof*, May 10, 12, 13, 19 and 20 in Margate. Boone played Golde in this same production at the JCC in 1992 for their 20th year anniversary show. Parlett was Motel the Tailor in the original 1972 production at the JCC. Judge **Stephen Perskie**, former adjunct at ACCC, will be the Constable. This will be the 35th year anniversary production.

Anyone who has taken a class or had more than a brief conversation with **Alan Mann**, HUMT/HIST Senior Adjunct, knows of his great love for sports. Mann had an article, *The Unique Career of Greasy Neale* published in FOOTBALL STORIES, the official site of Fox analyst Brain Baldinger. According to Mann, “Alfred Earle ‘Greasy’ Neale would become the only man in the history of American sports to play in the World Series, coach a football team in the Rose Bowl and coach a team in two NFL

Championships! He is, in fact, the only coach in the history of the Philadelphia Eagles to win two NFL championships, back to back or otherwise, and is not only in the Pro Football Hall of Fame but the National Football Foundation (College) Football Hall of Fame as well.” Neale was also named NFL Coach of the Year in 1948 and 1949. The full story can be accessed at www.footballstories.com.

ACCC student **Stanford Walker** and his wife, Ruth, were featured in a Press of Atlantic City article on March 14. They started *Help Our Children Succeed, Inc.*, a nonprofit organization whose sole mission is to raise funds that are used to help local children as well as local charities. “I realized how many children there are in the Wildwoods and all over Cape May County who can’t play sports or go on trips because their parents can’t afford it. That’s why I started *Help Our Children Succeed*,” he said.

FROM THE PRESIDENT’S OFFICE

Dr. Mora and **Dr. Joseph Rossi** attended the change of command ceremony at the U.S. Coast Guard Training Center in Cape May. Captain Curtis B. Odom retired from duty as commander of the Training Center in Cape May on March 22 after 30 years of military service to Cape May County. Captain Sandra Stosz, commander, formally replaced Odom. Stosz began her career in the Coast Guard Academy as a member of its third class to include women. She holds a master’s degree in business administration and more recently a Master of National Security Strategy. She has been featured in *People* and *National Geographic* magazines for her work during ice-breaking deployments in the Antarctic.

You may recall from a previous update that Dr. Mora and Chef **Kelly McClay** will be appearing on Comcast Newsmakers on CN8 for separate segments on the Institute for Service Excellence and ACA, respectively. The interviews will begin airing twice daily during the next two weeks on CNN Headline News at 55 minutes past the hour. Make sure you tune in for the latest news on ACCC and the ACA!

The macroeconomics class taught by **Paula Manns**, Associate Professor of Economics and Business, came together to donate to the collection of books being assembled by **John Atsu-Swanzy**, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, for a library in Atorkor Village in South Ghana. It’s not too late to donate your used books or college texts. Books for all ages are encouraged. Donations may be dropped off in the Student Life Center.



Above, Paula Manns’ class

Members of the Black and Latino Male Retention program, **Howard Tibbs**, **Jamal Crouch**, **Todd Scott**, **Hakeem Torian** and **Michael Smith**, attended the March Board of Trustees meeting with **Paula Davis**, Director of Counseling and Support Services. The students were invited to attend as part of the president’s report to the board. The students shared how the program and their experiences at ACCC have affected their lives.



Pictured, from left, Bobby Royal, Howard Tibbs, Jamal Crouch, Robert Boyer, Todd Scott, Darius Lane, Paula Davis, Carmen Royal, Michael Smith, Hakeem Torian, Lynn Baumgardner and Dr. Peter Mora.

--**Kathy McGowan**, editor