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NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW

Renovations in J Building Still Under Way

The renovations of J building offices, which began in June, are still under way. College Relations, Advancement and Dean of Facilities, Planning and Research offices, are in the Faculty Dining Room and are expected to move back to their offices in the next few days. Student Life offices are in Cafeteria B and will move to the Faculty Dining Room when the others move back to their original locations.

Renovations include new ceiling tiles, carpeting, window replacement, entry doors, painting and a new entryway to the President's Suite. Bathrooms were also refurbished.

Telephone extensions remain the same (Thanks, Nick!) Special thanks to ITS for quickly moving the computers, printers and other equipment, and Facilities Management staff for moving loads of boxes and equipment.

ACA Earns American Culinary Federation Accreditation

The Academy of Culinary Arts at ACCC received accreditation from the American Culinary Federation. The ACF's Foundation Accrediting Commission (ACFFAC) approved the accreditation at its July 12 meeting.

ACF accreditation assures the Academy's programs in Culinary Arts and Baking and Pastry meet the standards and competencies set for faculty, curriculum and student services.



"This is an important milestone in the Academy's history, and the accreditation will open even more doors for our graduates in the culinary industry," said **Chef Kelly McClay**, Dean of the ACA.

"The ACA's accreditation by the American Culinary Federation is a key component to ACCC's commitment to excellence. ACCC's increased focus on program-level accreditation/program review directly enhances our ability to foster student learning," said **Dr. Peter L. Mora**, ACCC President. "The Academy of Culinary Arts, as an entity of Atlantic Cape Community College, is led by an expert and dedicated team of professionals whose mission it is to ensure that our students receive the best instruction in the best facilities at an affordable price. The ACF accreditation is further evidence of that mission being met and, no pun intended, is the icing on the already impressive cake of the Academy."

To receive accreditation, the Academy submitted a self-study and participated in an on-site evaluation of the school in April by a three-person team. The Accrediting Commission reviewed the team report, along with the institution's self-study, and awarded accreditation to the ACA through June 30, 2011.

“We have been working through the accreditation process with Atlantic Cape since February 2007, and it is a testament to their determination and program accomplishments to have achieved this nationally recognized accreditation,” said Candice Childers, assistant director of accreditation at the ACF.

There are 348 postsecondary programs at 191 institutions accredited by the American Culinary Federation Foundation Accrediting Commission worldwide.

The American Culinary Federation Inc., established in 1929, is the premier professional organization for culinarians in North America. With more than 21,500 members spanning 230 chapters nationwide, ACF is the culinary leader in offering educational resources, training, apprenticeship and accreditation.

In addition, ACF operates the most comprehensive certification program for chefs in the United States. ACF is home to ACF Culinary Team USA, the official representative for the United States in major international culinary competitions. For more information, visit www.acfchefs.org.

Casino Workers to Receive \$1.1 Million in Training to Upgrade Skills

ACCC and Atlantic City casino representatives received a check for \$481,950 from the New Jersey Department of Labor on Aug. 26 to upgrade the skills of 2,700 workers in the casino industry. The grant, coupled with \$654,493 in resources from the Atlantic City Casino Consortium, will allow for \$1.1 million in training programs provided by ACCC in culinary arts, computers skills, office supervision and management, customer service and other areas. The Casino Consortium includes Trump Entertainment Resorts, Harrah’s Entertainment, Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa and Tropicana Casino and Resort.

Department of Labor and Workforce Development Commissioner David J. Socolow presented the check to ACCC President **Dr. Peter L. Mora** and casino executives at a special ceremony at the college’s Charles D. Worthington Atlantic City Campus.



“The casino training consortium’s success demonstrates the shared commitment of the State Department of Labor, the community college sector, and the New Jersey casino industry to foster workforce development and economic growth in the southern region of the state. As training providers, Atlantic Cape Community College continues to play a key role in fostering a competitive edge for New Jersey’s hospitality industry,” Mora said.

“One of the great things that we can do for our economy is to invest in education and training efforts that assure that businesses have workers with the skills they need to compete,” Socolow said. “Public-private partnerships like this one with Atlantic Cape Community College and the consortium of casinos demonstrates the type of leadership we need to provide workers the skills required to succeed in the new economy.”

Each casino will develop a customized training program for its workers. Some courses will include culinary arts, computer skills, office supervision and management, computer maintenance technology, card dealer, general finance, electromechanical technology and customer service skills.

‘The Glass Castle’ is 2008-09 Collegewide Book

The Collegewide Book for the 2008-09 school year is “The Glass Castle” by Jeanette Walls. This riveting memoir explores the themes of poverty, parent-child relationships, alcoholism and growing up, all with a light-hearted voice and hopeful message. The text invites discussion for a variety of disciplines, especially the social sciences. Faculty interested in reading “The Glass Castle” can borrow a copy from one of

ACCC's libraries. Watch the *Communicator* for further information about the Collegewide Book project and "The Glass Castle" events.

College Bookstore Strictly Adhering to CC Industry Merchant Rules

The ACCC Follett Bookstore is strictly adhering to the credit card industry merchant rules:

- An actual credit card is required to be presented at the time of purchase.
- The name imprinted on the card must match the name of the customer presenting the card.
- The bookstore must obtain and verify the cardholder signature. If there is no signature, a photo ID must be presented.
- The bookstore does not have the ability to hold a credit card number on file for future purchases.

New TIAA-CREF Representative to Visit WACC Sept. 16

Our new TIAA-CREF Individual Consultant, Benjamin Ventura, will visit the Worthington Atlantic City Campus on Tuesday, Sept. 16, from 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.

He will be available for individual counseling appointments in room 215.

Please contact (800) 842-8412 to schedule an appointment or reserve a time online at <https://ais2.tiaa-cref.org/cgi-bin/WebObjects.exe/ARS>.

Dates for the Mays Landing Campus visits will be announced.

ACA 'What's Cooking' Television Show Continues on NBC40

Home chefs continue to get expert cooking advice from the professional chefs at the Academy of Culinary Arts through the "What's Cooking" segments, which began Aug. 4.



The 90-second segments air during the 5 p.m. news broadcast on WMGM-TV/NBC40. Segments run Mondays through Oct. 27.

Each episode is packed with tips for preparing delicious, seasonal recipes, like Soft Shell Crabs, Fried Tomatoes and Jersey Cioppino. As the weather cools, segments will include instruction on tasty treats like Chicken Française, Butternut Squash Soup and Chocolate Ganache.

Director of Culinary Operations **Bruce Johns** of Marmora and Chef Educator **Annmarie Chelius** of Ocean City appear in the segments, which were filmed in July using the fully equipped display kitchens at Johnson's Appliances and Bedding.

All recipes are available on the "What's Cooking" Web site after the episodes air so viewers can re-create the dishes at home. The site is accessible through www.nbc40.net and the icon on ACCC's Web site: www.atlantic.edu.

CCI Celebrates 30th Anniversary with New Offerings

In honor of its 30th anniversary, CCI will feature numerous new classes and special events throughout the coming year. For the first time, CCI is offering English for Table Games Dealers. Non-English speaking dealers will learn words, phrases and expressions required to better communicate with customers and supervisors. The class takes place 10 a.m.-noon four Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Sept. 16.

CCI also will feature a comprehensive one-day series of Seminars for Gaming Professionals, 9 a.m.- 5 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 16. The seminars will address the need for effective control of gaming revenue and

resources in today's booming casino industry. Topics include table games revenue cycle, with information about counter checks; table games staffing and risk and internal control; slot machine revenue cycle; cashiering operations; and organizational controls.

Annual Faculty/Staff Art Show Runs through Oct. 2

ACCC's Art Gallery features the works of faculty and staff through Oct. 2. This is the 16th year the gallery will showcase works from studio arts instructors and other members of the college community. Works include photographs, prints, sculpture, crafts, watercolor, mixed media, paintings and drawings. The art gallery is in C-125 on the Mays Landing Campus. Gallery hours are Mondays and Wednesdays, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.; Tuesdays, noon-9 p.m.; Thursdays, noon-5 p.m.; Fridays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.



Mays Landing Campus New Student Day Welcomes its Largest Group Yet

The Student Development Staff welcomed more than 450 students and guests to New Student Orientation on Aug. 14. Students were provided information on Web4Students, TxtAlerts, plagiarism and much more. In addition, students toured the campus, met with faculty and enjoyed breakfast outside with ACCC staff. Thank you to all who offered their support and assistance in making this day a success!



New Continuing Ed Classes Offered This Fall

Continuing Education is featuring these new classes:

--**Advanced Spanish**, 7-9:30 p.m., six Thursdays beginning Sept. 25 at the Mays Landing Campus, for students who have completed Spanish I and II and wish to increase their knowledge.

--**Basics of Investing for Women**, 7-8:30 p.m., three Thursdays beginning Oct. 7 at the Mays Landing Campus, offers women tips to create a more secure financial future.

--**Basics of Investing** covers the fundamental principles of planning for your later years, 7-8:30 p.m., three Tuesdays beginning Sept. 16 at the Mays Landing Campus.

--**Computers for ESL Students** is for low to intermediate English as a Second Language students to help them master the basics of computer use, 9 a.m.-noon, two Mondays and Wednesdays beginning Oct. 13 at WACC.

Call ext. 4829 to register.

CMCC Now Offering Medical Office Course

For the first time, Medical Billing and Coding classes are available at CMCC. This comprehensive course, which previously had only been offered at the HPI, will help prepare Cape May County students for the growing field of billing and coding in a medical office setting.

The 180-hour course is divided into two 90-hour modules running 6-9 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays, Sept. 29-Jan. 26 (Module I), and Feb. 9-May 20 (Module II). The evening format is designed to accommodate working people who wish to advance or change their careers.

In addition to learning the technical and clerical aspects of medical billing and coding, students also will

study anatomy, physiology, medical terminology and medical law and ethics.

At the completion of the course, students will be eligible to sit for the National Healthcareer Association Certified Billing and Coding Specialist certification exam. Students must attend both modules in order to attain certification.

For more information, call ext. 4829, or visit www.atlantic.edu/conted.

Get Set To Tee Off at ACCC Golf Tourney

Sponsors and players are needed for the 2008 ACCC “Scramble Fore Scholarships” golf tournament, set for Friday, Oct. 3, at Cape May National Golf Club in Cape May. Partnering with the ACCC Foundation, CMNGC will host the tournament to raise scholarship money.



The tournament will follow a scramble format, beginning with a shotgun-start at 12:30 p.m. Player fees, which include an event polo shirt, lunch and a dinner awards banquet, are \$125 per person.

Individuals and businesses can also participate in six sponsorship package opportunities ranging from \$100 to \$7,500. Last year’s event raised \$23,000 for ACCC scholarships.

Located on Route 9 near Victorian Cape May, and centrally located along one of the world’s most famous bird migration flyways, CMNGC is recognized as one of the most naturally beautiful courses in the United States.

For sponsorship or player information, call **Sean Fischer**, ext. 5674, or visit www.atlantic.edu.

ACA Presents ‘Entertaining Light’ Series

Wow guests at your next party by learning how to whip up elegant appetizers with the new cooking workshops at ACA that include:

- Tapas**, delightful small-plate appetizers that portray the vibrant foods and cultures of Spain, Wednesday, Sept. 24.
- Mediterranean**, light, healthy and colorful foods inspired by the countries around the Mediterranean Sea, Wednesday, Oct. 15.
- Dim Sum**, a range of light dishes commonly found in Chinese eateries, Wednesday, Oct. 29.
- Tex-Mex**, tasteful palate pleasers inspired by Mexico and the Southwest, Wednesday, Nov. 5.
- California Spa**, simple, elegant and nutritious cuisine, Wednesday, Nov. 19.
- Bed & Breakfast/Afternoon Tea**, recipes from B&Bs around the country, Wednesday, Dec. 3.
- Southern**, Cajun and Creole recipes that embody the classic, friendly style of the South, Wednesday, Dec. 17.

All workshops take place 6-9 p.m. Cost is \$65 per class; \$395 for the entire series. For more information, call ext. 4829, or visit www.atlantic.edu/conted.

ACCC Adds Computer Classes

Learn the ins and outs of today’s latest technology with these new classes:

- Database Design and Management** takes a project-based approach to designing and managing an

Access database application using a “real world” scenario. Class meets 9 a.m.-4 p.m., three Saturdays beginning Sept. 20, at Mays Landing East (Building T).

--**Advanced Excel**, 6-9 p.m., meeting three Wednesdays beginning Oct. 1, at Mays Landing East, is for students with basic Excel knowledge who wish to take their skills to the next level.

--**Intro to iPod** allows participants to master how to download music, movies and more, 6-9 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 7, at the ISE.

--**Advanced Access** explores relating tables, creating advanced queries and defining data entry rules, 6-9 p.m., three Mondays beginning Oct. 20, at Mays Landing East.

For more information, call ext. 4829, or visit www.atlantic.edu/conted.

HPI Features New Health Career Training Options

The HPI has added some exciting classes for this fall and beyond. The **Electrocardiogram Technician** class, 6-9 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays, Sept. 22-Dec. 8, is an 11-week program that prepares students for careers as EKG technicians. After completing this course, students are eligible to sit for the National Healthcareer Association certification examination.

Certified Nurse Aide Recertification is designed for CNAs in long-term care who are required to renew their expiring certificates under state law. Enrollment is ongoing.

The **Advanced Surgical Technology** course, beginning in spring 2009, is a 250-hour program providing an alternative route for current surgical technicians to obtain the Certified Surgical Technologist credential.

HPI is also offering a new online course: **Administrative Veterinary Assistant**, which prepares students for careers as administrative veterinary assistants, covering everything from pet patient care to such administrative duties as fee collection and pet insurance. Registration is ongoing.

For more information, call ext. 4829, or visit www.atlantic.edu/conted.

Restaurant Gala Moves, Goes to the Tropics

The 26th annual ACCC Restaurant Gala will move to Bally’s Atlantic City Hotel and Casino for the next dining extravaganza, set for Thursday, March 12, with the exotic theme, “Island Hopping.” For more information, call **Sean Fischer**, ext. 5674.



HERE’S THE SCOOP

There’s still time to enjoy the opening specials in Careme’s. Cost is \$17.95 per person for a three-course meal and \$19.95 per person for a four-course meal, plus tax and gratuity. Specials run through Sept. 17 and reservations, available from 6:30 p.m., are required. Call ext. 5623.

Deepest sympathy to **Ann McClaskey**, WACC Administrative Services, on the passing of her beloved mother, Edna. She was 89. Edna worked in the College’s cafeteria from 1982-1988. Expressions may be sent to Ann at 6001 Black Horse Pike, Lot 129, Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234.

Welcome aboard to:

--**Mike Capen**, who joined College Relations as Graphic Artist

--**Anthony Booker**, Security Guard, Mays Landing Campus

--**Raymond Verdine**, Maintenance Mechanic, Facilities Management

--**Camille Levy**, formerly part-time in the division office, is now full-time Office Assistant to **Cathie Skinner**

Welcome aboard to new full-time faculty members:

--**Joy Jones**, Assistant Professor of Communication

--**William Osler**, Assistant Professor of Developmental Mathematics

--**Judith Otterburn-Martinez**, Assistant Professor of English as a Second Language

Congratulations to **Mary Yoa** on her promotion to Associate Professor of Computer Information Systems.

Proud new grandmom, **Vickie Brown**, Admissions, shares this photo of her granddaughter, Isabella Marie Brown, who arrived Sept. 2 weighing 7 lbs., 1 oz. "She is known as Baby Bella," Vickie tells us. "Mommy and baby are wonderful, and so is the proud father," she said.

At right, Baby Bella



Long-time ACCCers will remember **Susan Barker**, mathematics, who retired several years back. We heard from her recently. "It's been a long time since I left the campus," she said. "They were great years and I relish all of them. Things are fine here in Algonac (Michigan) and thanks for the news of what happens in Mays Landing." Good to hear from you, Susan!

Welcome aboard to Women's Basketball Coach, **Vincent Kennedy**.

A fond farewell and happy retirement to **Electra Stulak**, Special Populations and Career Counselor. We'll miss you, Electra!

Congratulations to **Michelle Bevan** on her promotion to Director of Instructional Technology.

Sue DePhilippis, Assistant Professor, ESL, her hubby, Dom, and their children, Dan and Elizabeth, had a big surprise at a Phillies baseball game recently. Sue tells us, "We enjoyed spending both kids' birthdays at the Phillies stadium this year. For Elizabeth's birthday on Aug. 10, both she and her brother, Dan, were randomly selected to participate in their 'Starting 9' program.



The DePhilippis kids were featured on the big screens at the Phillies Stadium participating in the Starting 9 program

Nine children go on the field, one for each position with the starting ballplayer during the singing of the National Anthem. Elizabeth was at third base after being lovingly 'hugged' by the Phillie Phanatic, and Dan was at the left field position—an awesome experience!" They were featured on the big screens around the stadium. See photos above.



A group of ACCCers went to a Phillies game recently. Pictured are a few of them hanging out at Ashburn Alley, left to right, Sean Fischer, Advancement; Mike Rennick, Grants; Geoff Pettifer, College Relations; and Otto Hernandez, CIS Dept. Chair.

A belated happy birthday to **Ghyll Theurer**, Program Coordinator, Health Professions Institute, who celebrated on Aug. 19.

Happy birthday to **Paula Manns**, Sept. 12; **Paula Davis**, Sept. 13; **Karen Sherback**, Sept. 14; **James Homan**, Sept. 17; **Roy Burnham**, Sept. 20; **Thomas Boghosian**, Sept. 21; **Barbara Warner**, **Barbara Heard**, Sept. 22; **Joyce Grohman**, **Martin Marino**, Sept. 23. Adjunct birthdays: **Amy Phillips-Iverson**,

Sept. 14; **Karen Fisher-Tyszka**, Sept. 16; **Barbara Heisman, Susan Van Rossum**, Sept. 17; **Robert Geise**, Sept. 23.

NEWS FROM ACCC'S OTHER LOCATIONS

by **Daymis Alicea**

Dean Bobby Royal and his staff kindly presented faculty with coffee and a bit to nibble on each morning of the first week of classes, as well as, coffee and fresh baked cookies for the night folks.

WACC Welcome Back Student Day in Atlantic City saw a plethora of activities in the second floor student lounge. Football Toss and Down the Clown games (prizes for the top winners included book bags and T-shirts); fresh popcorn, non-alcoholic margaritas and strawberry daiquiris were in abundance. A voter registration tabled by the League of Voters was prominently located, as well as, student club recruitment. The digital photography club of WACC took pictures and flashed them on the big screen much to the students' delight.

On Thursday, 9/11 Remembrance Day, a film commemorating the occasion was shown in the student lounge, which was decorated with a patriotic theme. Students received flag pinwheels as a reminder.

Non-credit new student classroom orientations for staff took place this week, with academic classes being visited next week.

That's all for now.

Greetings from the Cape May County Campus

by **Lisa Apel-Gendron**



Whether we were ready or not, fall semester arrived in striking fashion, with nearly 1,200 eager credit students populating the parking lot, classrooms, hallways, dining area and newly opened student lounge. As of Sept. 2, we were up 8.18 percent in credits over the same day last year. As one instructor put it, it's good noise!

Window seating is a popular option for CMCC students who want to read or socialize between classes. Nearly 1,200 credit students attend classes at CMCC this semester.

Welcome to a bevy of new adjunct instructors at CMCC: **Lisa Alderfer**, English; **Karen Buesing**, English; **Jessica Carleton**, Theater; **Brandi Wheeler**, College Skills; **Jamie Fischer**, Business; **Daniel Uche**, Math; **Sal Riggi**, Earth Science Lab; **Terrance Harris**, English; **Lacy Montelione**, Math; **Devon Pizzino**, Developmental English; **Jennifer Petinga**, College Skills; and **Noel Turner**, Developmental English.

We're pleased that two new offerings are running at CMCC this semester. World Literature with **Regina Van Epps** has attracted 18 students, while Acting I and II with **Jessica Carleton** is filled to capacity with 20 students.

Another positive indicator is the demand for Pre-Calculus and Calculus I, both of which are running with **Lenora Sheppard** at the symposium. With strong demand for upper level math, can Calculus II and III be far behind? Lenora is trying to get a math club started as well. Please refer interested students to Lenora at ext. 3586 or lsheppar@atlantic.edu.

Starting this semester, all students, faculty, staff and visitors are required to wear an ACCC ID badge

while on campus. Please pass the word to wear that badge. Lanyards and alligator clips are available in Student Services, first floor and Faculty Support, third floor.

We say farewell, sort of, to customer service assistant **Kate Chadwick**. Although Kate has taken a full-time position with Cape May County, she will still help us in the evenings during drop/add and registration crunch times. We will miss her keen wit and sense of humor during the day, though. On the flip side, we welcome part-time counselor **Paul Langer**. Timing is everything, and Paul jumped right in during the final week of registration. What a time to start a new position! Paul's smile and easy going manner are clearly a positive addition to the CMCC team.

Taking a few minutes for fun during one of the late registration evenings, the CMCC team surprised **John Mohr**, Student Services, with a brownie bottom banana cream pie for his birthday. There wasn't anything left, so we think the pie was a hit!

CMCC suffered an electrical brown out during the night Aug. 28. Overnight security officer **Tom Clark** notified **Roy Burnham** of Facilities just before 2 a.m. Knowing that Friday would be a robust registration day, Roy came in immediately to assure that computers and phones would work at the start of business. Understandably, Roy looked a little weary later that day. We understand that **Chuck Scheaffer** also ventured in overnight. Great job, gentlemen!

What does **Tom Clark** do when he's not working the 11-7 shift? Attending Phillies games, of course! Tom and his wife were spotted Aug. 23 at the Phillies-Dodgers game in section 203. The whole stadium saw them as they were featured grooving to the music on Phanavision between innings. Nice moves, Tom!

Chemical Compliance Specialist **Deanne Gipple** is proud to report that her husband, Donald, graduated from the New Jersey Department of Corrections Correctional Staff Training Academy in Sea Girt Sept. 4. Following the rigorous 12-week program, Gipple received the Fred Baker Memorial Academic Award, which is given to the recruit with the highest academic average in coursework. Gipple ranked number one in academics out of the 63 recruits who finished the program.

Ping pong is in vogue at CMCC. With a brand new ping pong table provided by SGA, students are challenging each other in some friendly and some rather competitive matches. Graduate and part-time admissions representative **Nari Kovalski** is coordinating matches throughout the building with help from **Joan Dillon**, Student Services.

The lawn and facility continue to look spiffy, thanks to continued hard work by **Tim Cliggett, Roy Burnham, Curtis Fitzpatrick, Trish Wickham, Matt Liggins** and **Greg Burrell**. Fine job, everyone, and thank you!

Have a worry-free weekend!

CONTINUING EDUCATION

by Sherwood Taylor

Special thanks to Tommy and crew for the new pathway and outside seating area for students at Mays Landing East.

Grant Opportunity for Local Businesses! New Jersey Business and Industry Association (NJBIA) members, New Jersey Chamber members, private-sector businesses and non-profit organizations may be eligible for training classes through a grant to the NJBIA funded by the NJ Department of Labor. Available courses include: English as a second language, basic computer skills, verbal and written

communication skills, customer service, as well as, math and measurement courses. For more information or to forward inquiries, call **DeNaira Butler**, ext. 4814.

Microsoft IT Academy: Continuing Education is now an official Microsoft IT Academy. The Microsoft IT Academy program enables academic learning institutions to connect the world of education to the world of work by enabling faculty and students to acquire new technology skills in an academic setting. Microsoft IT Academies benefit from world-class Microsoft curriculum and cutting-edge software tools to experience real-world challenges in the classroom environment.

ACCC Partners with National Council on Aging (NCOA): ACCC will be the training partner for NCOA's U.S. Department of Labor grant to train adults age 55+ in health care programs leading to certification and/or licensing. Please refer anyone interested to **Carol Fraone**, ext. 5650.

Youth Career Advancement Program: ACCC, in conjunction with the Atlantic-Cape May Workforce Investment Board, will train eligible 18- to 21-year-olds looking for entry-level positions as certified nurse aides, patient care technicians, phlebotomy technicians, slot technicians and retail, sales and service associates. The training will be held in Atlantic and Cape May counties and is completely free. Please refer anyone who is interested to **Erica Hoskins**, ext. 5682.

Corporate Training in Need of Boxes: If you have empty paper boxes, please send them to **Melissa Greener**, Mays Landing East. Thanks!

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

ACCC art instructor **Bobbi Heisman**, who's also a prominent local artist known for her caricature drawings, recently displayed her works at the Promenade Food Court in Ocean City. She and fellow artist Krasimira Dimitrova exhibited their small works depicting the patrons and atmosphere of the colorful boardwalk food court.

A chocolate ACA medallion was given to patrons with their check in Careme's recently. Candy medallions were made by the ACA students and wrapped in cellophane, tied with a colorful ribbon. **Tak Chung**, Library, shared this photo.



ACCC IN THE NEWS

The Press of Atlantic City ran a story about the ACA's "What's Cooking" shows which appear in 90-second segments during the 5 p.m. news on NBC40 every Monday through Oct. 27. The piece was accompanied by a photo of **Bruce Johns**, ACA Director of Culinary Operations, preparing a dish for the show. Stories appeared in the Ocean City Sentinel-Ledger, The Press of Atlantic City and local weekly newspapers. A photo of Bruce during filming appeared on the front page of the Aug. 15 issue of Community College Times.

ACCC's bridge class was the subject of a feature in the Cape May County Herald.

ACCC received an \$18,000 grant from the N.J. State Council on the Arts for 2009, according to a news release in the Hammonton News released by the Council.

Dr. Richard Perniciaro, Dean of Facilities, Planning and Research, was quoted in The Press of Atlantic City, in an article titled, "Inflation a Mixed Blessing for the Casinos."

The ACA receiving accreditation from the American Culinary Federation appeared in The Press of Atlantic City and regional daily newspapers.

A feature story on former ACA student Aaron McCargo Jr., who was the winner of “The Next Food Network Star” competition on the Food Network, appeared in the New York Times. McCargo, 37, has his own show, “Big Daddy’s House.” On being named the winner, McCargo said, “that last minute, when they announced it—man, you never saw 250 pounds float in the air until then.”

Stacey Clapp, College Relations, was quoted in a Daily Journal article on students needing remedial help. ACCC’s year-to-year enrollment in Introduction to Algebra I and II stayed relatively the same. The numbers increased for Reading and Writing I and II, she said.

ALUMNI

Brandy (Mischlich) Ehrke, ’94, earned a Master of Science degree in Specialization, Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment from Walden University with a perfect 4.0 GPA. She teaches second grade at the Mullica Township School in Elwood. Proud dad is retired ACCC Security Officer **Mitch Mischlich**.

FROM THE PRESIDENT’S OFFICE

Dr. Mora was appointed by Dr. Brenda Beckman, of the League for Innovation in the Community College, to serve on the national review panel for applicants seeking admission to the League’s Executive Leadership Institute. The ELI is an advanced professional development program for community college leaders who are seeking to move to the position of college president. Dr. Mora is a graduate of the ELI program. The panel review was completed in early August.

Thanks to the Facilities Management team for their leadership in launching the new SchoolDude program to streamline work orders. All of our offices will benefit from this initiative!

The New Jersey Commission on Higher Education has announced the Minority Academic Careers Program Faculty Incentive Hiring Grants to assist institutions in recruiting and hiring new faculty members. For more information in this grant program, visit www.njche.gov.

Great job to ACCCers who participated in the Aug. 26 check presentation with the Casino Consortium and David Socolow, N.J. Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development. ACCC was awarded \$481,950 to deliver workforce training to the Casino Consortium.



Commissioner Socolow and Dr. Mora pictured with members of the Casino Consortium, SGA and Board of Trustees.

Dr. Mora extends a thank you to the members of the college community who participated in the faculty-in-service event on Aug. 28. The event was a success marked by great participation, skilled presenters and a lively discourse.

On behalf of the President’s office, **Dean Patricia Gentile** recently welcomed Atlantic County residents young and old to the Mays Landing Campus as part of Atlantic County’s Grandparent’s Day celebration.



The Walter Edge Theater was brimming with Atlantic County residents on Aug. 29 as they gathered for the annual Grandparent’s Day celebration and recognition event.

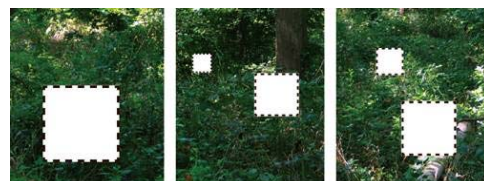
ACCC was well represented at a recent Senate hearing of the NJ STARS Task Force. **Hal Lugerner**, Counseling, and **Effie Russell**, Professor of English, testified on the benefits of the NJ STARS program. Joining Lugerner and Russell were **Paula Davis**, Counseling; **Marcia Kleinz**, Assistant Professor of Mathematics; **Lenora Sheppard**, Assistant Professor of Mathematics; **Maria Ivette Torres**, Board of Trustees member; and **Brittany Williams**, Executive Assistant to the President and Director of Board of Trustees Services.



Hal Lugerner, Counselor, testified before the NJSTARS Task Force at a recent Senate hearing hosted by Camden County College.

Attention Artists: Request for Proposals

The Schuylkill Center for Environmental Education's Environmental Art Program presents a Request for Proposals for a competition in sustainable design and building on a small scale. Artists, designers, architects and students are invited to design and build semi-permanent, functional woodland shelters on the grounds of Philadelphia's Schuylkill Center, using sustainable design and building techniques. The competition aims to encourage collaboration between artists, designers and architects, to demonstrate and promote sustainable building methods and to present the visiting public with a physical experience of the applied possibilities of sustainability to our lives and in our connection to the natural world.



GIMME SHELTER

Up to six designs will be selected by a distinguished panel of jurors. For the complete prospectus, go to: <http://www.schuylkillcenter.org> or e-mail: zcohen@schuylkillcenter.org.

Gimme Shelter is funded by the William Penn Foundation, and is presented in partnership with The Center for Architecture and the American Institute of Architects-Philadelphia, the Engineering and Design Institute at Philadelphia University, Habitat for Humanity and the Delaware Valley Green Building Council. Deadline is Nov. 21.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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