New SGA president: ‘I want to help you’

BY ADAM GENTILE
Editor-in-Chief

A wide-eyed freshman wants to find an extracurricular outlet where she can continue to live her creed of trying to help as many people as she can. Luckily enough for her, CCM has volunteer-based clubs in abundance. However, she decided to ask herself a question: “where can I go to having a platform that can truly make a difference?” The answer that she arrived at was the Student Government Association (SGA), a platform that can enable her to help the entire student body and the surrounding communities.

Fast forward to June of 2020 and now she finds herself as the new SGA president, Jenna Curran.

Curran comes from Den ville and is studying political science. Curran mentioned that throughout her life her parents have helped to instill her values of helping as many people as she can.

“I have always been someone who loves to help people,” Cur ran said. “My family raised me to always help somebody no matter who it is. If there is something that you can do to help them you help them, because you don’t know what they’ve been through.”

Curran mentions that during her first semester as a student senator she found that she had an affinity for government.

“I was a senator for the student affairs committee the first semester and I loved it,” Curran said. “So after I get my associates at CCM I’m planning on studying political science and I’m on a pre-law track. I was really just planning on going into law and becoming an attorney, but I didn’t realize how much I would love government. But now that I’m in it and I have worked on all of these projects, which unfortunately didn’t happen due to COVID, I really got to understand the potential of what government can do.”

One of Curran’s canceled projects included the Escape the Vape event that was planned for May 1, however, Curran mentions that she plans on hosting anti-vaping style events when organized events can be reintroduced to campus.

Since becoming president, Curran mentioned she has been in meetings with several of CCM’s deans, along with the vice president of student development and enrollment management Dr. Betse Simmons, and CCM president Dr. Anthony Iacono, and hopes that with these connections she can be more effective at organizing projects that can help the students.

Curran mentions that she believes that the role of SGA as a group is to act as an intermediary between the students and the administration of CCM.

“The students are not given as great of a platform as we are,” Curran said. “For example, I have had constant contact with Dr. Iacono. I know that if I send him an email right now he will respond to me, but maybe if a student who was not involved in student government did they might not receive the same response that I would get, and because of that a big part of my campaign was to improve communication between us [SGA] and the students, because if they are not telling us what needs to be done, then how can we help them get their message to whoever needs to hear it? And I really want to make sure that I can do whatever I can to help people no matter what problem they’re facing. I want to help them.”

Curran mentions that she believes that the best way for improving communication between SGA and the students of CCM involves making the organization feel more personal and by being the friendly face of the organization.

“This is a personal preference but I think people will be more responsive if a single person had control over the social media,” Curran said. “They’d say ‘Oh, Jenna Curran is running this I know who is behind the screen,’” because the alternative is if someone reaches out to say the SGA on Instagram, and you don’t know who’s on the other side you may feel a little uncomfortable and not reach out.

Along with the @sga_ccm Instagram account, Curran has an alternative account currently named @curran_for_ccm_sga president where she has a link in her bio that allows anyone from CCM to send to her comments, concerns, or complaints onto a google docs page.

Due to the current pandemic, it is uncertain whether or not the CCM campus will be open in the fall. However, if CCM is open, Curran’s communication improvements will not only be

Protests against police brutality spring up in Morris County

BY LUNA WROBLEWSKI
Managing Editor/Photographer

Since George Floyd was killed by a white Minneapolis police officer, named Derek Chauvin, on May 25, 2020, all 50 states have witnessed protests, according to USA Today.

The protest was in Kinnelon NJ, a small town in the county with a police force of 16 full-time officers. The 2018 census says that about 81% of Kinnelon is white, and black members of the community are claiming that they have faced racism in their small town.

According to one of the speakers at the protest, a social media account run by students at Kinnelon High School targets
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Carrying on: juggling pregnancy with these uncertain times

BY DIANA IBARRA
Contributor

Pregnancy is supposed to be one of the most beautiful times in a woman’s life. I am rea- sonably expecting, we can agree that it has been a unique experience. What does that mean for those of us who are going to bring a new life into the world? Everything was going smoothly up until a month ago, when I started hearing news re- ports about the Coronavirus. At the time, I was getting ready to start a new job at a medical center. I was excited to be able to work a little before having my baby. That all came to a halt when I noticed that the virus was making its way to the U.S. My gut instinct kept telling me not to continue with the hiring process, and I am glad I didn’t. So many soon-to-be mothers are still working because they are considered essential workers.

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This pandemic has meant that I have not been able to go to any of my favorite appointments or ultrasound screenings. These appointments are what give us some hope that everything is going well with our baby’s health. I had tele- phone conversations with the nurses and doctors at Morris- town Medical Center (MMC) which allows everyone at CCM to write to the newspaper. You may have read an article that was interesting and that you want to reflect on, or perhaps you have an opinion about an article, or an event, or even just current happenings and want to share it. Maybe you want to write about your experience transitioning online, or how you have more time than you expected and don’t know what to do with it because of the quarantine. Send your letter signed with your full name to our email.

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I was alarmed to hear the new rules that are being imple- mented, but I have come to terms with the decision and that it is the best course of action given the current crisis. I was looking forward to having a baby shower, but that will not be possible because ev- eryone is practicing social dis- tancing. I was also considering an at-home newborn photoshoot for my baby once he is born, but I am not sure that will work as well. It is hard not to focus on everything I am missing out on during this pregnancy and to be resentful, but I know that the most important thing right now is to remain calm and healthy so that I can go on to deliver a healthy baby boy. I firmly be- lieve everything in life happens for a reason and that this all has its purpose, even though I may not see it right now. A quote from the author Margaret Mitch- ell says, “Life’s under no obliga- tion to give us what we expect.” This experience is teaching me to let go of expectations and to be grateful for what I do and to remain hopeful through adversity.

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College staff informs students on possible reopening and economic relief

BY ADAM GENTILE
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CCM hosted an open virtual meeting that included members from the college’s administration, faculty, and students Thursday, June 4. The meeting covered a variety of topics, including the status of CCM reopening in the fall, and how to collect further financial aid from the CARES act.

CCM President Dr. Anthony Iacono mentioned that the status of CCM reopening in the fall is up to Trenton, and that a factor in making that decision is whether or not the number of COVID-19 cases in New Jersey continues to lower.

“It is our hope to reopen the campus in the fall,” Iacono said.

“We are waiting for the governor to remove the executive order, and that will really as Trenton tells us remains contingent on what stage we are in, if the numbers keep going down, and other criteria are met then it’s likely that we can return on campus. At the moment we have not received the green light yet.”

Iacono mentioned that if the campus is reopened in the fall changes will most likely be in effect in order to prevent students from contracting COVID-19.

“Let’s assume we reopen in September,” Iacono said. “Most likely what we’re looking at is limited courses being offered on the campus and that for safety’s sake. So I would imagine that when we finish planning I’m sure we’ll have it wrapped up shortly. We’ll probably see something like 25 or less than 50% of courses being offered lived on the campus. And certain courses will be prioritized. If they can, health programs will be prioritized because they require a hands-on component, science labs will be prioritized, manufacturing courses, or really any class with a hands-on component.”

Iacono mentioned that if a course is prioritized does not mean that there will be a guarantee that it will be offered live on campus.

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was signed into law on March 3, the act expanded unemployment benefits, provided aid and resources to hospitals, and provided places of higher education money in order to assist students who had difficulties transitioning to remote learning, or have been economically hurt due to COVID-19.

Harvey Willis, Director of financial aid, mentioned that students who already received support from the CARES act still need additional support and can contact the financial aid office through email.

“As far as the continuation of funding needed for CARES, we are going to request that for students who have already requested CARES dollars we are not going to ask you to fill out an application we are requesting that you send us an additional email that says in the subject line CARES funding and write a quick paragraph that is if you have already applied (for CARES), and you’re enrolled for the fall, and you are still experienced financial hardship and give a quick summary as to what the hardship is.”

Willis mentioned that students who have not already submitted a CARES application can still apply for the program, and that money for the relief could reach them within two weeks of submitting the application.

“If the student did complete the application and provided the supporting documents I would say that in three to four days that we are trying to turn this around,” Willis said. “I will give caution to the students to be just a little bit patient, because remember those dollars are coming by you through the U.S postal service. It also needs to go through an accounting office to process it, so I’m just asking students to just remain patient when you are waiting for the check. When it’s all said and done it could take somewhere between a week and a week and a half for everything to go through the process.”

Willis noted that students can still apply for FAFSA on top of applying for the CARES act.

For more information on the CARES act as it is related to CCM, visit: https://www.ccm.edu/admissions/financialaid/ccmcares-studentemergencygrant/ contact ccmcares@ccm.edu.

Insulin prices continues to plummet during quarantine

Senior and uninsured afforded price cuts saving $446

BY ANTHONY INGHAM
Photo: News Editor

Resources such as insulin have become much harder for people to access during quarantine due to a lack of consumer income. However, insulin prices have been continually going down since March in an attempt to make it more affordable.

An article by the New York Times titled "Insulin Costs May Be Capped in a Medicare Program,” published on March 11, discussed a recent recommendation from the Trump administration proposing a new Medicare pilot program to start in 2021. This would allow Americans aged 65 and older to have insulin for $31 a month, which could save them an average of $446, according to Medicare officials.

A few states have already decided to force insurers to limit personal spending on insulin, which include New Mexico, Colorado and Virginia.

“We’re hoping that manufacturers and plans will do the right thing here and come together with a plan that will lower out-of-pocket costs for insulin,” Seema Verma, the administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, said in an interview to the NYT. “I think this is pretty significant.”

Over 3 million Medicare beneficiaries take some form of insulin, with more than 34 million Americans being affected by diabetes. Some in the US have taken to rationing their insulin due to a lack of affordability.

According to an Access to Insulin and Supplies Survey by T-I International, an organization that advocates for those affected by type 1 diabetes, insulin users in the United Kingdom, Brazil, India, Chile and Japan, among other countries, pay considerably less for many insulins than U.S. patients, even though the same insulins are provided by the same producers that supply the United States.

Eli Lilly, a pharmaceutical company and one of the three insulin manufacturers in the US market, announced April 7 that they will cap the co-pay cost for insulin to $35 dollars per vial for the duration of the COVID-19 pandemic. This deal will not be available to those with “government insurance,” like Medicare, Medicaid, Medicare Part D or any State Patient or Pharmaceutical Assistance Program, according to the CNBC article, “Eli Lilly lowers insulin costs as coronavirus crisis deepens.”

American pharmaceutical company and another one of the insulin manufacturers, Novo Nordisk, announced April 14 that those who have lost health insurance coverage because of a change in job status due to the COVID-19 pandemic may now be eligible for enrollment in their Diabetes Patient Assistance Program (PAP) and receive insulin for the next 90 days. People applying for this program must have a valid prescription for a Novo Nordisk insulin and must provide documentation that shows they have lost health-care coverage or that they are being offered Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) benefits. If you can’t access those documents, the company said that they will provide an immediate supply option.

The free insulin offer is only for 90 days. If any person is denied Medicaid benefits, however, Novo Nordisk also said that they may apply to receive free insulin up until the end of the year.

Many have been critical of the moves, with claims from the public that these companies artificially inflated the price of insulin, and that the price should’ve been lowered long ago.

“People are dead because Eli Lilly refused to lower the cost of insulin all along, instead price gouging us and raising prices year after year for no reason other than greed,” said Colby College professor Laura Seay. “They don’t get a PR coup for doing the right thing.”

Insulin is also available through Walmart for $25 to patients with and without healthcare, so people have been frustrated with its expensive pricing for many years. Irish journalist Carl Kimmell is one of those very upset with the lack of assistance prior to a global pandemic.

“Good of them to help diabetics who will die without insulin while their lives at risk from coronavirus,” he said. “Unlike all those other times when their lives are simply at risk from hemorrhagic diabetes.”
COVID-19 cuts semester abroad short

BY ANTHONY INGHAM

“Had set plans to visit GDansk (Poland), Brussels (Belgium), and the Isle of Skye (Scotland), but those had to be canceled, so we could come home,” she said. “We were also hoping to visit some cities in Italy, some islands in Greece, maybe Croatia (Game of Thrones was filmed there), and Dublin again before leaving, but we never had a chance to plan those.”

Bracciale said that during her time there, transportation around Europe and back to the US was completely unaffected. “I came home the last day my college offered to pay for it, Monday, the 16th, and I think the ban against the UK went into effect on the 17th, so the global team really knew what they were doing,” she said.

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