



Left to right: Daryl Davis (ATD); John Urgola, Dr. John Williford; Dr. Bette Simmons; Dr. Mary Spilde (ATD); Dr. Pam Marcenaro; Dr. Tony Iacono; Rob Stirton

# CCM CELEBRATES THE SPRING SEMESTER WITH CONVOCATION AND A MESSAGE FROM DR. IACONO

As we prepare to begin the 2019 Spring Semester, I want to welcome you back and wish you a happy new year. I hope you are as excited for this year as I am. I also hope that you share my optimism that we can continue to grow as a college, improve our work in becoming an even more inclusive institution, and demonstrate to the communities we serve that CCM is an innovative and life-changing institution. As I look back on the past couple of years, I am proud of the work we have accomplished together.

As we begin this new year, we are well prepared to embark on a journey that, like our strategic plan, will require the collective input and involvement of all. I am, therefore, eager to kick-off our student success initiative through Achieving the Dream (ATD) with you. ATD is a national network of more than 200 community colleges committed to one fundamental belief: America's community colleges should work together as a learning community to increase access and student success with a focus on under-represented populations.

After more than two years of working with you, I know you will agree that the opportunity to support a more diverse learning community will enrich and strengthen our college. It is at the core of our mission and in the center of our hearts as a caring college to believe that everyone deserves a great education. Like clay in the hands of a potter, this epic event and movement is ours to mold and shape into something truly remarkable. Let's create something that touches more lives than we could possibly imagine.

View the Spring Semester Convocation video





This week's video features part one of a video produced in 2008

## **CCM EVENTS**

Spring Semester Begins Friday, January 18

College Council Meeting Thursday, January 24, 12:30-1:45 p.m., SH 100

**Board of Trustees Meeting** Tuesday, January 29, 6:30 p.m., Board Room, Henderson Hall

Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering Center Ground Breaking Ceremony Wednesday, January 30, 10 a.m., SCC Davidson Rooms

#### HR CORNER

#### RETIREMENT CONSULTATIONS WITH NEW JERSEY STATE APPROVED VENDORS

Save for retirement – Receive free, no pressure, retirement counseling sessions. Make your appointment today. You do not need to be a member to meet with the representatives.

VOYA representative Brandon Zisa will be on campus from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on February 12, March 12, April 11, May 16, June 11 and July 9 in Henderson Hall, Room 107. To make an appointment, call 732-326-5625 or email <u>Brandon.Zisa@voyafa.com</u>.

**TIAA** representative Tatiana Novozhilova will be on campus from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on January 24, February 14, March 19, April 9, May 14 and June 18 in Henderson Hall, Room 107. Call 800-732-8353 or visit www.TIAA.org/schedulenow to make an appointment.

Prudential representative Alicia Smith will be on campus from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on February 20 and March 20 in Henderson Hall room 107. Call 732-428-2314 or email alicia.smith@prudential.com to make an appointment to discuss ABP or DCRP investments.

marking the 40th Anniversary of CCM. Watch the video



#### **TUTORING CENTER HAPPENINGS**

Tutoring begins on Friday, January 25. Students can start making appointments once the term begins and access the Tutoring Center for self-study and computer access. Online tutoring is also available to students 24/7 via Smarthinking. View the Smarthinking Flyer

Do you know any high achieving students? Tutoring is looking for qualified peer tutors this spring. <u>View the Peer Tutors Flyer</u>



#### **2019 NURSE PINNING CEREMONY**

Congratulations to the CCM Nursing Class who recently celebrated their official nurse pinning during a ceremony in the Dragonetti Auditorium on January 9.

View the ceremony

AXA-Equitable representative Mark Sheridan is available for individual appointments. Call 908-230-2042 or email <u>marc.sheridan@axa.com</u>.

MetLife/Brighthouse - representative David Sharpe will be on campus from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on February 5, March 7, April 16, May 2 and June 4 in Henderson Hall room 107. Call 973-575-3254 or email dsharpe@financialguide.com.



# CAMPUS CONFERENCE ROOMS UPDATED WITH NEW TVS

New 75-inch televisions have been added to six conference rooms, replacing projectors that had previously been in use. The televisions have a much brighter and clearer picture that can be seen better in brightly lit rooms, and are located in the following conference rooms:

- HH-103E
- HH-103A (Board Room)
- LRC-106
- SCC-117
- SCC-221
- SCC-233

When using these conference rooms, connections can be made to the televisions wirelessly with an external device by connecting to the Microsoft Wireless Display Adapter (if using a Microsoft tablet or Windows laptop) or by connecting directly to the Samsung television from a smart phone. The televisions are also Smart TVs that can access the internet directly to the CCM website, YouTube or other sources.

Additionally, projectors in all remaining conference rooms on campus have been set to display at 16x9 widescreen, the same as the new televisions which were just installed in selected conference rooms. Thus, all Google Doc/ PowerPoint/Prezi presentations should be created in widescreen 16x9 format. The widescreen format has been a standard in media production since 2006 and moving forward this will become the standard campus-wide. The next step will be to bring the widescreen standard to classrooms as well, possibly for the Fall 2019 semester.

If you would like to learn how to connect wirelessly to the conference room televisions, how to convert old Power Point slides to the new format, or would like instruction on how to best create PowerPoint slides for the widescreen format, several sessions will be held in the Center for Teaching and Learning in February and March. Please refer to the CTL schedule on the website.





#### **NEW STANDARD MILEAGE RATE**

Effective January 1, 2019, the standard mileage rate for use of a car will be 58 cents for every mile of business travel driven.



# IMPORTANT HEALTH BENEFITS DEPENDENT ELIGIBILITY AUDIT

The NJ Division of Pensions & Benefits (NJDPB) is conducting a Dependent Verification Audit for ALL employees who cover their spouse and/or children on their Horizon or Aetna health benefits plan. All employees who currently cover dependents should have received the mailing from Alight - Dependent Verification Center. The mailing includes information on the audit, your personal Dependent Verification ID # and how to log-in to their system to upload the required documents. For additional information select the links below:

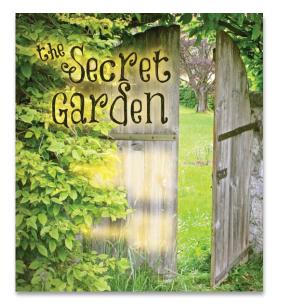
- Member Letter
- Frequently Asked Questions
- <u>Sample Alert Letter</u>
- <u>Sample Verification Letter</u>

This information is also available on the NJDPB website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/hb-info-deva.shtml

The deadline to submit proof of eligibility to Alight, Dependent Verification Center is March 1, 2019.

You may also fax your documents to Alight: 1-866-961-6881 or mail to: Dependent Verification Center, PO Box 1403, Lincolnshire, IL 60069. Please note the PO Box # is different from the one on the letter from Alight.

Documents should NOT be sent to CCM or the Division of Pensions & Benefits.



MassMutual (formerly Hartford) representative Kenneth Quarnaccio is available for individual appointments. Call 848-248-4313 or email kquarnaccio@gittermanwealth.com.

VALIC representative MaryAnn Bradford is available for individual appointments. Call 908-470-4114 or email Maryann.bradford@valic.com.

#### **DANCE DVDS**

#### AVAILABLE IN THE CCM LIBRARY

Be more active in 2019! Check out one of the Dance DVDs that are available in the CCM Library. View the list



### **SUMMER DAY CAMP**

Future Stars Day Camp will once again be using the CCM Campus for the summer of 2019! Learn more at <u>https://www.futurestarscamps.com/</u>.

#### THE SECRET GARDEN

The Department of Music, Dance and Performing Arts will be holding auditions for parts in the upcoming production of The Secret Garden. All auditions will be held in the Dragonetti Auditorium on the following dates:

Thursday, January 24, at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 29, at 6:30 p.m.

Participants should dress comfortably, prepare a 32 bar cut of music, in the style of the show, and provide sheet music for the accompanist.

#### **NOTICES FOR CCMEMO**

Email material to both Amy Sciuto at asciuto@ccm.edu and Kathleen Brunet Eagan at <u>kbeagan@ccm.edu</u>. Submissions must be received by 3 p.m. Wednesday.

Looking for past issues of the CCMemo? Find them here.

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

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## TITANS SCHEDULE

Please help us market all the good things happening at CCM by sharing college events (performing arts, Open Houses, etc.) through your social media accounts.

#### Here's what to talk about this week:

There's still time to enroll for the Spring Semester at CCM. Classes for the full semester start today, January 18, but several mini-sessions also are available.

To search for classes, go to <u>https://titansdirect.ccm.edu/Student/Courses/</u>.

#### **KUDOS**

Dr. Roger McCoach will be having his photography on display at several venues this Spring Semester. In January he has a solo exhibit at the Roxbury Township Library and has work in the Mayo Performing Arts Center gallery in Morristown as part of the Arts Association in Roxbury show. In February he will have a solo exhibit in the Chester Township Library, photos in the Mountain Lakes Library, plus images in the Frelinghuysen Arboretum in Morristown. In March he will be part of the Sussex County Heritage and Arts Council exhibit in Newton. In March and April he will have a solo exhibit in the East Hanover Municipal Building on Route 10. Women's Basketball: 1/22 @ Orange County CC, 5 p.m. 1/26 @ Harcum, 5 p.m. 1/29 @ Essex, 5 p.m.

Men's Basketball: 1/22 vs ASA, 6 p.m. 1/24 vs Westchester CC, 6 p.m. 1/26 vs Sullivan CC, 6 p.m. 1/29 @ Essex CC, 7 p.m.

