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**CCM EVENTS** 

#### **Governor Murphy's Recent Announcement**

CCM is aware of Governor Murphy's recent <u>announcement</u> which strongly recommends both vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals wear masks at indoor settings when there is increased risk. Examples include:

- Crowded indoor settings
- Indoor settings involving activities with close contact with others who may not be fully vaccinated
- Indoor settings where the vaccine status of other individuals in the setting is unknown
- Where an individual is immunocompromised or at increased risk for severe disease

Click on this <u>link</u> to review the full announcement by Governor Murphy and Commissioner Persichilli.

At this time the CCM Return to Campus Plan has not been revised. We are awaiting greater clarification from public health officials and state offices about the appropriate protocols. As we have in the past, the Pandemic Response and Support Team, consisting of administration, faculty, staff and students, will be convened next week to further discuss the matter and to help determine our path forward in a way that allows us to honor our mission while simultaneously caring for our campus community. In preparation for the Fall Semester, please take time to review and be familiar with the Return to Campus Plan which can be found at this link. Any revisions to the Return to Campus Plan will be communicated via email and the CCMemo.

The college remains committed to prioritizing the health and well-being of our CCM community. CCM encourages every employee and student to receive the COVID-19 vaccination. As we all know, the vaccine does not offer a 100% guarantee that you will not contract the virus but studies have shown it offers individuals substantial protection that results in preventing infection altogether or minimizing the severity. Naturally, every individual's health status is different and, as such, responses to infection and vaccination can differ but, collectively, vaccination has proven highly effective. As a member of the CCM community, your choices may affect our future.

Again, please continue to monitor your email and the CCMemo for any further updates.

# Local Artist Exhibits "Urania's Mirror" at College



Joseph Losavio, a contemporary, visionary painter, is exhibiting, 'Urania's Mirror' in CCM's Art & Design Gallery.

The collection of 32 astronomical star chart cards incorporate illustrations based on Alexander Jamiesons's "A Celestial Atlas," also known as "a view of the Heavens." Losavio's works are on exhibit through September 23.

Losavio lives and works in Sussex County. He connects on a deep level with the environment and finds the earth to be "an extension of self, with its glorious diversity and mysterious inner force." After teaching art in public schools for 27 years, he now pursues painting full-time, "exploring the realms of art, psychology and spirituality."

There will be a reception on Thursday, September 9, 6 – 8 p.m.



# Dover College Promise A Message from Dr. Pam Marcenaro

I wanted to provide an important update on our Dover College Promise (DCP) program and milestones reached by Project Coordinator Ed Lopez and our DCP students, even while operating virtually. Along with college readiness workshops and tutoring, another component of DCP is for the students to complete a community project. This helps the students to become leaders, to work as a team, to give back to their communities and to have a long-lasting impact, something that is also part of the mission of our grantor, Impact 100.

After months of planning, researching and reviewing, DCP's Cohort 1, 10th graders, produced two community projects 1. Habitat for Humanity Social Media Campaign: Increase visibility for the Spanish speaking community through the creation of a new Spanish website and social media campaign (working with a local agency that already works with Habitat) that lists and provides information on all the services and benefits of this organization. The students will be designing the site, working with a translator, along with the marketing firm. 2. Dover Walking Trail: The town of Dover lacks areas for people to walk in a park setting and enjoy the outdoors safely. The students, along with a variety of members from Dover, including park experts, Dover

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# **Update Your Out-of-Office Messages**

As the college prepares to return to full campus operations on August 9, employees are asked to update their out-of-office messages on their office phones and emails. Please discontinue using the phrase, "the campus is closed." If applicable, auto replies should be removed as a day-to-day response when you are working on campus. Continue to utilize auto responses when you are "not working" or "unavailable" for specific dates.

Possible updated options for voicemail or emails for those operating remotely are:

- The college is preparing to return to full oncampus operations, but I am currently working remotely. I will respond (or return your call) as soon as possible.
- 2) The college campus is open, but I am currently working remotely. I will respond (or return your call) as soon as possible.

Aldermen and town administration, are in the process of getting this project off the ground.

In the last few weeks, DCP students, along with Lopez, presented to the Aldermen, Dover Mayor and others regarding the project. That was captured on YouTube <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FDy9swHt2Co">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FDy9swHt2Co</a> (see 22:25 – 36:00). The students were amazing!

We are working with our grantor Impact 100, as we continue to take the steps to get these community projects underway, which is the next step for us starting mid-August. Now we begin the process of finalizing the details, needs and supplies required so the students can complete these projects.

This program is truly making an impact in our community already, as we continue to support these students in their pathway to CCM. A big kudos to Ed, as he's been the boots on the ground getting all the right players in place, setting up endless meetings and information sessions to gain support for the students to do this.

## **NOTICES FOR CCMEMO**

Email material to both Kathleen Brunet at <a href="mailto:kbrunet@ccm.edu">kbrunet@ccm.edu</a> and Theresa Gehring at <a href="mailto:tgehring@ccm.edu">tgehring@ccm.edu</a>.

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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