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### CCM EVENTS

#### College Council

March 23, 12:30 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://ccm-edu.zoom.us/j/92586924585>

Or dial: 646 876 9923

Meeting ID: 925 8692 4585

Passcode: 884211

#### Apocalypse

Art Gallery

Through April 6

#### Talk Radio

Music Technology Center

March 10 – 11, 7:30 p.m.

#### Spring Open House

April 15, 9, 10 and 11 a.m.

#### Planetarium Shows



## Legacy Project to Explore 9/11 Healing, Owls of the Eastern Ice and More

The Legacy Project's Signature Series returns this Spring Semester with three exciting events.

On Tuesday, March 21, at 12:30 p.m., Lt. Bill Keegan, founder and president of HEART 9/11, will lecture on the topic "Pathway to 9/11 Healing: Mind, Body, Medicine" in Sheffield Hall, Room 100 on CCM's campus, 214 Center Grove Road, Randolph. Keegan served for 20 years with the Port Authority Police Department and as Night Operations Commander of the WTC Rescue/Recovery Teams.

On Wednesday, April 19, at 7 p.m. on Zoom, the Legacy Project will welcome best-selling author and local journalist David K. Randall. He will answer questions about his two most recent books: "The Monster's Bones: The Discovery of T. Rex and How It Shook Our World" and "Black Death at the Golden Gate: The Race to Save America from the Bubonic Plague."

Finally, on Thursday, April 27, at 7 p.m., the Legacy Project will be joined by best-selling author and wildlife biologist Jonathan Slaght, author of "Owls of the Eastern Ice" for a Zoom presentation on his work and research findings. Slaght is the Russia and Northeast Asia coordinator for the Wildlife Conservation Society, where he manages research projects on endangered species.

As described, Slaght in his presentation "takes us to the Primoriye region of Eastern Russia, where we join a small team for late-night monitoring missions, on mad dashes across thawing rivers, drink vodka with mystics, hermits, and scientists, and listen to fireside tales of Amur tigers. Most captivating of all are the fish owls themselves: careful hunters, devoted parents, singers of eerie duets, and irrepressible survivors in a harsh and shrinking habitat."

"We are beyond excited to welcome these three distinguished guests to the Legacy Project's Signature Series," says Professor Samantha Gigliotti, Biology & Chemistry, co-director of the Legacy Project. "Whether it's history, biology, journalism or sociology, the subjects that the Legacy Project explores are varied, diverse and speak to our academic mission to teach the community about the many 'legacies' one can find in the world."

Each session is free and open to the public. RSVP to [legacy@ccm.edu](mailto:legacy@ccm.edu) for a Zoom link for Randall and Slaght.

Photo: Wildlife biologist Jonathan Slaght, author of "Owls of the Eastern Ice"



[Public Safety Visitor's Registration Link](#)



Congratulations to all the employees and departments presented with awards at yesterday's Employee Recognition Ceremony. You make us CCMProud! A full listing of recipients will be provided in the next CCMemo.

#### Employee Recognition Video

In the meantime, here is a link to the video that was shown at the ceremony: <https://youtu.be/Fuit5JJ1HrY>



## TikTok and CCM

Are you having difficulty viewing TikTok on campus? It's not your phone! Recently, in compliance with Governor Phil Murphy's announcement about the ban on the use of high-risk software, individuals on the college's Wi-Fi network will not be able to access software on the banned list. Two very popular social networking systems affected by this are TikTok and WeChat, along with 13 other lesser-known online services. If you try to access any of the banned services, you will receive a message indicating that the site is blocked. To access a banned platform, you will need to log off the college's Wi-Fi system.

For a full list of the services impacted by the ban click [here](#).

## Some Reading for Women's History and Irish History Month



March is Women's History Month and the library has put together a list of books by women, about women, celebrating women – <https://ccm.on.worldcat.org:443/list/19282099>.

In addition, March is Irish History Month and the library has organized a collection about Ireland: Irish history, myths, folklore and literature – <https://ccm.on.worldcat.org:443/list/19289020>.

## New Employees and Positions

Congratulations to the following employees whose new positions at the college were approved by the Board of Trustees at its March 2 meeting.

**Katy-Ann Blacker**, Student Success Analyst, Institutional Effectiveness

**Matthew Nielsen**, Grant Development Coordinator, Institutional Grants

**Leonora Olave Escobar**, PT Custodian Evenings, Custodial Services

**Anthony Spagnuolo**, Director ERP & Reporting, Information Systems

**Jose Taboada**, PT Custodian Evenings, Custodial Services

## Professional Day Survey



Thank you to all the employees who were able to attend the March 1 Professional Day. We value your input and invite you to participate in a survey related to Professional Day. Again, we look forward to our 2024 Professional Day on March 6, 2024.

[Click here](#) to complete the survey.

## Free Planetarium Show



The Longo Planetarium is offering free shows again this semester for staff and students every third Tuesday of the month at 12:30 p.m. The show on March 21 will feature the popular show "From Earth to the Universe," which provides an overview of the history of astronomy and what has been learned about the Universe over the past couple of hundred years.

The show is approximately 30 minutes long and starts promptly at 12:30 p.m. in Cohen Hall, Room 207.

## National Benchmark Surveys



The Office of Institutional Effectiveness (IE) would like to remind you of upcoming student and employee national benchmark surveys to be administered beginning Monday, March 20. None of the surveys require use of class time and all are administered via email. The Student Satisfaction Inventory (SSI) measures student satisfaction and priorities, demonstrating how satisfied students are and what issues are important to them. The Institutional Priorities Survey (IPS) delivers the employee perspective and, when used simultaneously with the SSI, will help the college gain a better understanding of our campus climate. IE values your honest feedback and encourages all to participate.

IE encourages all employees to participate and asks that you encourage your students' participation as well. Student and employee input is important to the college's future, and these survey data will help CCM make better decisions and improve service delivery.

Once survey results become available, IE will host a series of sessions across campus to use the results data to document planned improvements. Ruffalo

## STUDENT SERVICES

The Library  
[In-Person and Remote Service](#)

Online Tutoring Center  
For more information, click [here](#).

## HR CORNER

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

AIG (formerly VALIC) representative MaryAnn Bradford is available for individual appointments. Select this link to schedule an appointment [Click here to schedule a virtual meeting or phone appointment](#)

Empower (formerly MassMutual/Hartford) representative Kenneth Quarnaccio is available for individual appointments, contact him at 848-248-4313 or by email at [kquarnaccio@gittermanwealth.com](mailto:kquarnaccio@gittermanwealth.com).

Empower (formerly Prudential) representative Raymond Allocco is available for individual appointments for the ABP or the DCRP plans, contact him at 973-908-9619 or by email at [Raymond.allocco@empower.com](mailto:Raymond.allocco@empower.com).

Equitable representative Marc Sheridan is available for individual appointments, contact him at 908-230-2042 or by email at [Marc.Sheridan@equitable.com](mailto:Marc.Sheridan@equitable.com)

MetLife/BrightHouse representative David Sharpe is available for individual appointments, contact him at 973-575-3254 or by email at [dsharpe@financialguide.com](mailto:dsharpe@financialguide.com).

TIAA representative Christian Hawkinson is available for virtual appointments: Click [here](#) to login and schedule a meeting with him or in-person appointments: [www.tiaa.org/schedulenow](http://www.tiaa.org/schedulenow).

Voya representative John Murray is available for individual appointments, contact him at 609-234-3369 or by email [johnmurray@voyafa.com](mailto:johnmurray@voyafa.com).

## NOTICES FOR CCMEMO

Email material to Kathleen Brunet at [kbrunet@ccm.edu](mailto:kbrunet@ccm.edu).

Submissions must be received by 3 p.m. Wednesday.

Looking for past issues of the CCMemo? [Find them here](#).

## Spread the Word About the Spring Open House

CCM will be holding its Spring 2023 Open House on Saturday, April 15. This is a great opportunity to learn about all CCM has to offer, so please share this information with anyone you know who could benefit from a high-quality education with little to no debt.



At CCM's Spring Open House on April 15, participants will be able to:

- Meet** with professors
- Attend** academic showcases
- Engage** with the student development team
- Explore** the campus, facilities and state-of-the-art labs and studios

Three sessions will be held at 9, 10 and 11 a.m.  
Reservations can be made at [www.ccm.edu/admissions/visiting-us](http://www.ccm.edu/admissions/visiting-us).

## BJ's Wholesale Club Discounts

CCM employees, students and their family members are eligible for membership discounts at BJ's Wholesale Club. Discounts in cash awards are available whether you are a new or existing member.

Get \$20 in cash awards when you join for \$75 or \$10 in cash awards when you join for \$25. Existing members get \$20 in cash awards when they renew at \$110 or \$10 in cash awards when they renew for \$55.

Call the Support Center at 800-313-8887 between Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Provide them with the following information:

- CCM's Organization's Group Promo Code, which is 150067
- Debit or credit card information
- If a current BJ's member, your membership ID which can be found on the BJ's membership card or in BJ's app

## The Creative Leadership Club

The Creative Leadership Club will meet on Friday, March 31, noon to 1 p.m. to make spring grapevine wreaths. If you would like to join the club in making this craft, please contact Edie Nelson at [enelson@ccm.edu](mailto:enelson@ccm.edu) or ext. 5268.

Noel Levitz, a nationally recognized survey company, has been conducting research with these surveys for 20+ years. To learn more about its surveys, click [here](#).

## Spring Break Sale

Visit the CCM Campus Store during Spring Break – March 13 – 17 – for special deals on all of sale items.

Save an extra 10 percent on sale and clearance items including "Last Chance" clothing. Also check out the many new items that have been brought in so far this semester.

## Commencement 2023 Regalia



The ordering site for Faculty/Administration academic regalia rentals is now live at <https://ccmfaculty.shopoakhalli.com/purchasewizard/Welcome>.

Please place your order before the March 30 deadline.

The 2023 Commencement Ceremony takes place May 25.

## March At-Home Baseball Games



Wed, March 22	Del Tech (single 9)	3 p.m.
Sat, March 25	Lackawanna (DH)	noon
Sun, March 26	Sullivan CC (single 9)	noon
Wed, March 29	Westchester (single 9)	3:30 p.m.
Fri, March 31	Lehigh Carbon	

## SOCIAL MEDIA

Help us communicate all of the good things happening at CCM by liking, sharing or commenting on the college's social media posts and pages.

