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Upcoming Events

Dealing with Relationship Issues: Starting, Maintaining, Ending the Relationship

"A College Hour Series for Students"

February 22

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., SCC 233

Dr. Ronnie Kopp Wiener, Counselor, is presenting a series of conversations to provide students with insight on issues that will make their lives better.

Students who would prefer to discuss any of these topics individually may make an appointment with a Counselor at ext. 5140.

Comedy Show

Comedian Dan Cummins

February 24

7:30 p.m., SCC, Dragonetti Auditorium

Cummins is known for his laid-back style and absurd jokes. He was recently named one of the 2010 Hot Comedy Picks by Campus Activities Magazine. He has appeared on such shows as The Tonight Show with Conan O'Brien, The Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson and Comedy Central. Admission is \$5. Tickets are on sale in the Campus Life office. For more information call ext. 5076.

TIAA-CREF on Campus

February 25 - 11 a.m. - 7 p.m., HH - 107

March 25 - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., SCC 221

April 14 - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., HH 107

April 27 - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., HH 107

May 18 - 9 a.m., - 5 p.m., HH 107

June 3 - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., LRC 115

June 29 - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., LRC 115

To schedule an appt. to meet with Ana Pfalzgraf, go to www.tiaa-cref.org/events or call 1-877-658-4221.

Foundation Scholarship Gala Invitation

In an effort to support CCM's "go green" campaign: go to <http://www3.ccm.edu/pdf/GalaInviteInternal.pdf>, view an invitation and a RSVP for the Foundation Scholarship Gala, being held on Friday, April 23 at the Hyatt-Morristown at Headquarters Plaza. We hope that the entire college community can support this event!

Again this year, we will offer our "CCM internal" price of \$175 per ticket (regular ticket price is \$300). In addition, there are numerous opportunities for sponsorships and Ad Journal support (see the RSVP for details). You may choose to pay for your ticket(s) to the gala via payroll deduction. If you choose this option, the total amount of your tickets must be paid in full by June 30, 2010. For more information call the Foundation office on ext. 5060.

2010 Alumni Award winners will be:

Jerry J. Ketcham '73 (Alumnus of the Year)

Mary Beth S. Crile '93, (Alumni Achievement)

Doris L. McClung '84 (Alumni Service)

James M. Gannon '81 (Alumni Humanitarian)

In addition to our Alumni Awards, we will be bestowing the first Foundation Leadership Award on the New Jersey Natural Gas Company.

We are also planning a wonderful Silent Auction with theater tickets, jewelry, great restaurants, and an evening of dinner, dancing and fun!.

Word 2007

By Appointment

If you have not upgraded to Office 2007, now is the time! This workshop will provide a basic introduction to Word 2007, exploring the new interface and looking at the new ribbon. Contact ext. 5315 for an appointment.

Excel 2007

Professor Mike Walsh, Info. Technologies

February 24

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., CTE A-105

This workshop will cover: excel screen, menu and icons, data entry and arithmetic, formatting, saving files, and quitting excel. Contact ext. 5315.

Retirement Farewell for Diane Zitek

February 24

2 - 4 p.m., LRC Reading Room

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Seminar on ROTH IRA

February 25

2:30 - 3:30 p.m., SCC Davidson Room 234A

To schedule an appointment e-mail jweaver@sacks-associates.com.

Sacred Visions and Sacred Fury: the Case of Islam

Dr. Charles Selengut

March 1

11:30 a.m., LRC 115

Dr. Selengut, an expert on global religion, is a Professor of Sociology at CCM and author of Sacred Fury and Seeing Society: Perspectives on Social Life.

This talk will examine the nature of sacred visions and eschatological expectations in the world's religions. It will explore the typology of responses to religious disappointment, with particular emphasis on developments in contemporary Islam. Dr. Selengut will be making use of contemporary interview data to portray current Islamic religious culture.

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One-on-One Counseling

March 2

11 a.m. - 2 p.m., HH 107

To schedule an appointment e-mail joseph.kelly@valic.com.

Gala Silent Auction Items Needed

The Gala Committee is seeking donated items for the Silent Auction. The Silent Auction is a popular feature and helps to raise needed funds for our scholarship program. Items we are seeking include:

- Tickets to professional sporting events; such as, Mets, Jets, Yankees, Nets, Devils, etc.
- Tickets to the theater, concerts or other performing arts events; such as NJ and NYC.
- "Quality" gift items with a retail value of at least \$50.
- Unused jewelry (gold, silver, platinum) with a retail value of at least \$200.
- A week's stay in a vacation home or condo.
- American Express Gift Certificates.

If you can help by donating a gift for the Silent Auction, call ext. 5061 or e-mail jvitale@ccm.edu.

Kudos

Three papers below were part of a symposium entitled, Applying Innovative Measurement Practices in Four Different Community College Course Offerings:

- Professor James Crabbe and Professor Terry Wulster prepared a paper entitled, "Complex Thinking and Discrete Instruction," which was presented at the 33rd Annual Meeting of the Eastern Educational Research Association in Savannah, Georgia on February 12, 2010.
- Dr. Charles Secolsky and Professor Peter Arvanites of Rockland Community College delivered a paper entitled, "An IRT Approach for Detecting Cognitive Differences in Testlet Pairs," at the 33rd Annual Meeting of the Eastern Educational Research Association in Savannah, Georgia on February 12, 2010.
- Professor Janet Johannessen and Professor Sharon Kapica prepared a paper entitled, "Item Scores, Total Score, and Subsequent Item and Total Scores and GPA as Distal Criteria in Item Analysis," which was presented at the 33rd Annual Meeting of the Eastern Educational Research Association in Savannah, Georgia on February 12, 2010.
- Dr. Charles Secolsky presented a paper entitled, "Toward a Non-metric Theory of Testing Quality: The Need for Documenting Validation Transactions," at the 33rd Annual Meeting of the Eastern Educational Research Association in Savannah, Georgia on February 11, 2010.

Dance Theatre Concert

March 4 - 6

7:30 p.m. with a 2 p.m. matinee on March 6,
Dragonetti Auditorium

Come celebrate the joy and power of movement. County College of Morris' Dance Theatre Company presents a showcase of original works by CCM faculty, students and guest artists

Campus Tours

March 4 - May 27

3 p.m., Admissions Office, SCC 212

Campus tours will begin on March 4 and will run every Thursday until May 27. Tours last approx. one hour. Reservations are scheduled by going to <http://www.ccm.edu/admissions/visit/campusvisit.aspx>. Reservations are required.

Dealing with Loss: Any Loss

"A College Hour Series for Students"

March 8

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., SCC 233

Dr. Ronnie Kopp Wiener, Counselor, is presenting a series of conversations to provide students with insight on issues that will make their lives better.

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Patrick Gallagher at CCM

Until March 10

CCM Gallery, Sherman H. Masten Library

"Smoking Cessation"

"Survive on a Smoke Free Campus"

March 10

10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Student Community Center

Presentation by Health Services and Morris County Prevention is Key. A pig lung will be on display.

Storytelling and Music Festival

March 14

10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Student Community Center

The day begins with storytelling workshops, geared especially for teachers, from 10 a.m. to noon.

Teachers can earn five professional development credits when combined with the afternoon events. Workshops are \$28, including lunch. The remainder of the festival is open to residents of all ages. Admission to the afternoon portion of the festival is \$6. For more information, or to register, call ext. 5076. Tickets are also available at the door for the afternoon portion of the festival.

Workshops for teachers: 10 a.m. - noon.

Kudos Harvey Jackson

In honor of Black History Month, Harvey Jackson, Director of Public Safety, was one of four who were honored by the Morris County Prosecutor's Office and the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives Northern New Jersey Chapter. Congratulations!



Pictured from left: First Assistant Prosecutor Thomas A. Zelante, Prosecutor Robert A. Bianchi, Harvey Jackson, Elaine Johnson, Dr. Edward J. Yaw, and Chief of Investigations William Schievella

Interesting Websites

People may generally be familiar with the struggle for civil rights, but how many know about the racial injustices committed against entire black communities in Harrison, Arkansas or Pierce City, Missouri one hundred years ago? This thoughtful and troubling documentary on the forced removal of black residents was produced as part of the Independent Lens series on PBS. Visitors to the site can watch the documentary in its entirety, though it's helpful to look at the sections titled "The Families" and "The Places" to get a bit of context for understanding the film. In "The Places" area, visitors can explore the thirteen counties in the eight states which banished their black residents. For additional information about what might be done today to compensate the descendants of these persons, visitors can click on the "Reparations" section. Independent Lens: Banished: American Ethnic Cleansings <http://www.pbs.org/independentlens/banished/>

Courtesy from our Reference Librarian

Health Benefit Audit Update

The health benefit audit is underway for local education employees (CCM) as described below. The initial mailing of information will begin February 10, 2010. Please keep an eye out for this mailing.

The information that is being requested must be sent by you directly to the address included in the mailing you will be receiving.

Below is additional information on the audit as well as the anticipated timeframe.

About The Dependent Eligibility Verification Audit (DEVA)

- The Division of Pensions and Benefits under the direction of the State Treasurer is conducting a Dependent Eligibility Verification Audit (DEVA) to ensure that only eligible dependents are covered under the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP) and School Employees' Health Benefits Program (SEHBP).
- The audit is required under State law. Only individuals who meet the definition of an eligible dependent are permitted to receive benefits under the SHBP or SEHBP.
- The audit requires that employees and retirees who cover dependents in the SHBP or SEHBP provide specific documentation Adobe PDF (33K) to verify that persons listed as eligible dependents meet the standards for dependent coverage under the SHBP or SEHBP.
- Individuals who either self-identify or are deemed ineligible for coverage will be terminated from coverage. Dependents may also be deemed ineligible and terminated from coverage due to a member's noncompliance with the audit.
- Our health care consultant, Aon Consulting, is performing the audit on behalf of the Division of Pensions and Benefits. The charts provided below outline Aon's mailing dates and due dates for submission of documentation to Aon.

Read the DEVA Frequently Asked Questions Page go to <http://www3.ccm.edu/pdf/auditquestions.pdf>

Phase 2 for Local Government Employees and Retirees and Local Education Employees and Retirees Mailing Dates and Submission Deadlines

PHASE 2

Initial Mailing of Audit Packet	Wednesday, February 10, 2010
Aon Call Center Opens	Tuesday, February 16, 2010
Documentation Due Date	Friday, March 19, 2010
Interim Non-Respondent Letter	Monday, March 29, 2010
Final Documentation Due Date	Friday, April 23, 2010
Phase 2 Terminations begin for ineligible dependents or for Phase 2 Noncompliance	Date to be determined

Friendly Reminders

- **Haiti Relief at CCM**

The Student Government Association has clothing bins available in parking lots #1, 6 and 8. All proceeds are being donated to a Haiti relief organization.

- **Medical Contact Cards**

Health Services would like to update current employee files with any new medical information; i.e., allergies, new meds, new diagnosis, emergency contact person, address, phone, etc. If you have been employed at CCM for over a year and health information has changed you deem important for Health Services to know in the event of a medical emergency, stop by Cohen Hall B222 to fill out a Medical Emergency Information card

Discounted Circus Tickets

Ringling Bros and Barnum & Bailey Circus is offering discounts on tickets to CCM employees and their families for the Prudential & IZOD Center performances. To view available dates and ticket prices go to <http://www3.ccm.edu/pdf/circus.pdf>.

Ambassador Club at CCM

The Ambassador Club serves as a public relations arm of the institution, providing visitors with a student's perspective. Ambassador Club members assist with events such as, campus tours, information days, student and school visits, event hosting, or scholarship recognition banquets.

If you need assistance with an event, please download the Ambassador Club request form at <http://www3.ccm.edu/pdf/ambassador.pdf>

Swap and Shop

For Rent: Furnished apartment Randolph within a mile of CCM. Bright, newly updated, spacious one bedroom apartment. Kitchen with breakfast bar, living room, dining area, and bath. Private Laundry room. Parking. \$1150 includes all utilities, cable TV and internet access. Available February 1, prefer yearly lease based on a month to month basis - rcnie2@msn.com.

For Sale: Brush Guards for 2005 Ford Expedition- color black along with taillight guards, \$150. Contact Jim at jford@ccm.edu or call 908 686-1866

For Sale: GE Profile Arctica Refrigerator: Working, 22.7 cubic feet, side-by-side, stainless steel. Retail \$2899, asking price \$1500 (or best offer). Call Michelle at 862-207-8331 or email maltieri@ccm.edu.

For Rent: 2 Bedroom apt. in Randolph. Newly renovated 1st floor unit w/private entrance. \$975/mo. + \$175/mo. utilities. Single professional preferred. Call 973-945-9090.

For Rent: Apartment over garage in private home in Dover (5 min. from CCM). One bedroom, living room, sitting area, eat-in kitchen, deck, private entrance--\$750 all utilities included. 973-610-5554.

For Rent: Newly renovated and fully equipped duplex home located in Seaside Park three houses from bay, 3 short blocks from beach. 3 BR, 1 ½ baths, central air, fully equipped EIK, W/D, deck, front porch, outdoor shower. Quiet family oriented area located near recreation area which includes playground, basketball court, baseball field and tennis courts. For photos email: fpapalia@ccm.edu or call ext. 5190. CCM references available. \$1,750/week during weeks from May 29 – September 4. Call for information on discounted weekly rates for off-season weeks.