

# The CCMemo

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## Upcoming Events

### **A Celebration of Jazz Music and Black History "Of Ebony Embers"**

January 28

7:30 p.m., Dragonetti Auditorium

"Of Ebony Embers" is a music theater work for solo actor and chamber music trio.

This evening-length piece explores the life and times of African Americans who helped shape the Harlem Renaissance. "Of Ebony Embers" connects us to the lives and works of three outstanding but very different African-American poets, Langston Hughes, Countee Cullen and Claude McKay, as seen through the eyes of the great painter and muralist Aaron Douglas. The Core Ensemble, the nationally acclaimed trio of cello, piano and percussion, performs music by African-American composers ranging from jazz greats Duke Ellington, Jelly Roll Morton, Billy Strayhorn, Thelonious Monk and Charles Mingus, to concert music composers Jeffrey Mumford and George Walker. To purchase tickets call ext. 5076.

### **Barbara Neibart Art Exhibit**

#### **"Outside In - Inside Out"**

Until to February 17

CCM Gallery, Sherman H. Masten Library

#### **Outside In**

Barbara Neibart's work has always been about seeing. This series of paintings explores relationships: between people and dogs, artist and subject, paint and surface. The paintings capture a specific moment in time and provoke an intimate relationship between the viewer and the dog on its own terms in its own environment.

#### **Inside Out**

The narrative watercolors expose an intensely personal interior dialogue. Neibart explains that the pieces began as letters to friends, and then took on a life of their own. "I think of them as sketch-book pages, journal entries, random thoughts, and, usually, too much information," she says.

## **County College of Morris and Drew University Sign Joint Agreement to Prepare Graduate Students for Community College Teaching Positions**

County College of Morris (CCM) and Drew University recently signed a pioneering agreement that will provide graduate students enrolled in Drew's Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.) program with the opportunity to earn a certificate in community college teaching and learning.

The Two-Year College Teaching Certificate program, which will launch the fall of 2011, consists of four three-credit courses: an introduction to teaching in the two-year college, team taught at Drew by Drew and CCM faculty; two courses from the existing D.Litt. program; and a supervised internship at CCM where doctoral students will participate in the teaching of CCM classes.

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Photo (l-r): Dr. Edward J. Yaw, president of County College of Morris, and Dr. Robert Weisbuch, president of Drew University, sign a joint agreement creating an innovative certificate program to prepare graduate students for community college teaching positions.

Photographer: Life in Motion Photography

## **Welcoming Reception**

February 3

2 - 3 p.m., LRC 210

Please join in welcoming Joe Schilp, the new LRC associate director of the Media Center. Light refreshments will be served.

## **Save the Date**

### **Foundation Scholarship Gala**

May 6

The Park Avenue Club, Florham Park

## **No Cost Computer Training for Employees Offered at County College of Morris**

County College of Morris (CCM) starting in early March will be offering free computer training for employees.

The computer classes take place at CCM's Randolph Campus, starting March 7. Classes are being offered in both basic and intermediate Word and Excel. Each class is eight hours long, running from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Employers can register employees for as many classes as they deem necessary. The only requirements are that employees must be employed at least 20 hours a week, be paid their usual hourly rate while in training, and have a basic knowledge of Windows and how to use a keyboard and mouse.

For additional information and registration, contact Bob Lipka, manager of Sales and Marketing, at ext. 5185.

The training is being offered at no charge to employers through a partnership developed by the New Jersey Department of Labor with the New Jersey Business and Industry Association and the New Jersey Community College Consortium for Workforce and Economic Development

## **CCM and Drew Sign Joint Agreement**

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"This is a tremendous new program that offers a model for creating a pipeline of graduate students who are prepared to become community college professors," said Dr. Edward J. Yaw, president of CCM. "Through this program, we will be able to provide a pool of doctoral students who understand the community college mission, its goals and students."

"This is a great day in the history of Drew University," said Dr. Robert Weisbuch, president of Drew. "Our hope is that this program will spur other universities and community colleges to work together to provide students with valuable learning tracks."

The signing of the agreement took place at CCM on Friday, January 21, and was attended by faculty members and administrators from Drew and CCM.

The D.Litt. program at Drew stresses a broad liberal arts education at the graduate level. Only a few D.Litt. programs exist within the U.S., the most well known being the one offered at Drew. Students who earn their D.Litt. degree and the Two-Year College Teaching Certificate would be prepared to seek teaching positions in such disciplines as English and philosophy at the community college level.

Since its opening in 1968, CCM has provided Morris County, and the surrounding region with an outstanding, affordable education. Today, CCM offers 66 associate degree programs, along with more than 30 certificate programs and 300 non-credit courses, for those seeking to improve and enrich their lives. For more information, visit [www.ccm.edu](http://www.ccm.edu).

## CTE Spring Workshops

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### Concept to Application: Designing Authentic Assessment

February 1

10 - 11 a.m., SH 120

How do you know when the student “gets it” and is able to apply the concepts introduced in your course? This workshop will examine the purpose, design, and application of authentic assessments through interactive activities and discussions. Faculty members will leave the workshop with course appropriate authentic assessments that can be immediately put into practice. Facilitated by Shelley Kurland, instructional designer.

Please bring one of your syllabi.

### Using PowerPoint More Effectively

February 8

11a.m. - noon, SH 120

PowerPoint is usually anathema to any sort of useful communication. Most speakers rely on it as a crutch rather than a memory jog. This workshop will provide valuable tips on how to present an engaging presentation using PowerPoint. Facilitated by Deon Koekemoer, instructional technologist.

### SAS Workshop: Session 1 of 3

February 11

10 a.m. - noon, SH 120

Distinguishing between a Data Step and a statistical PROC. For Data Steps there will be coverage on creating a SAS Data Step using a SAS program. Programming commands will cover inputting data, creating SAS files, manipulating data files, merging files and concatenating files. At the end of the first session, you will come away with a dataset to practice on until the next workshop session. Facilitated by Dr. Charles Secolsky, director of Institutional Research.

Register for workshops at [cte@ccm.edu](mailto:cte@ccm.edu). All sessions that lack sufficient enrollment will be cancelled.

## Closing Alerts and Rescheduled Events

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The Alert System on our website is used to alert our students, faculty, staff and the community at large when the campus will be closed or have a delayed opening due to inclement weather.

Because this feature of our website limits us to only two lines and a few characters, we are not able to add additional information about individual classes/programs/events that have been rescheduled.

Events or one-day classes or programs scheduled during the winter months should also have a “snow date” assigned to them that is communicated to your students/guests/participants and included in the event’s website listing. Also, please try to collect contact information (including emails) on all participants so that you may contact them directly.

For those isolated events where that is not possible, we will be establishing a Rescheduled Events page on our website to announce rescheduled dates. In addition to the closing/delayed opening message, the Alert Message will also direct visitors to the Rescheduled Events page. It should be noted that this page will only be used for events that had to be rescheduled as a result of weather conditions or another emergency related to a specific Alert. The page will not be used as a general announcement page.

Should you have an event that needs to be posted to the Rescheduled Page, please notify either Joe Vitale ([jvitale@ccm.edu](mailto:jvitale@ccm.edu)) or Kathleen Brunet Eagan ([kbeagan@ccm.edu](mailto:kbeagan@ccm.edu)) with the details so that information can be posted.

### CCM Policies

Please note that all CCM policies – Administrative/Business, Faculty, Human Resources and Student – are now accessible through the Faculty & Staff page of the CCM website.