**CCM and Ramapo College Develop Joint Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program**

Students interested in a career in nursing now have a more affordable option for earning a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree as a result of a new program established by County College of Morris (CCM) and Ramapo College.

On Wednesday, February 29, 2012, Dr. Edward J. Yaw, president of CCM, and Dr. Peter Mercer, president of Ramapo College of New Jersey, signed an articulation agreement that will allow nursing students at CCM to complete up to three years at CCM before transferring to Ramapo to earn their BSN.

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Photo: Faculty and administrators from County College of Morris (CCM) and Ramapo College join Dr. Peter Mercer, president of Ramapo (bottom, second from left), and Dr. Edward J. Yaw, president of CCM (bottom, third from left), at the signing of a joint BSN program between the two institutions. Pictured are Dr. Kathleen Burke, assistant dean of Nursing at Ramapo (bottom left) and Dr. Dwight Smith, vice president of Academic Affairs at CCM; (top l-r) CCM nursing Professors Suzanne Gilmore and Kathleen Prokop; Monica Maruska, CCM Nursing chair; Christopher Romano, Ramapo associate vice president for Enrollment; Joan Cunningham, CCM dean, Health and Natural Sciences; and CCM nursing Professor Vivek Agnihotri. Photo Credit: John Hester

**Homecoming – CCM Faculty Art Exhibit**

Following a successful and well-received exhibit at the University of Arts (UArts) in Philadelphia, the artwork of County College of Morris (CCM) faculty is now on exhibition in the college’s gallery.

Don’t miss this opportunity to view the talent of the CCM Visual Arts faculty. The work of more than 20 faculty members is on display through March 28. A reception will take place Wednesday, March 7, in the gallery from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

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The CCM faculty was asked by UArts to put on an exhibition in its gallery because the university has been so impressed with the quality of CCM students who transfer to that four-year institution, reports Clayton Allen, chair of the Visual Arts department. UArts also recently signed an articulation agreement with CCM to make it easier for CCM students to transfer to that school.

The exhibition in Philadelphia resulted in the sale of several pieces of CCM faculty artwork, which according to UArts Director of Exhibitions Sid Sachs, is “something that happens very rarely.” Read more

LRC Renovation FAQ
The Learning Resource Center (LRC) building is due for interior renovation and the design process is underway.

What has been done so far?
During the Fall Semester, a Renovation Committee of representatives from all areas of the college met to develop recommendations for the renovation: Mark Tolleson, Bonnie Murphy, Cheryl Martins, Geetali Basu, Glenn Hamilton, Joseph Schilp, Karen Dougherty, Kathy Ferguson, Laura Parker, Lynee Richel, Nieves Gruneiro and Sharon Craig. Thanks and kudos to all the committee members for their efforts to encapsulate the important functions housed in the LRC building. The renovation project went out for bid and on January 18 the college hired the RBA Group architecture firm. Read more

Spring Nursing Conference at CCM with Donna Cardillo – the Career Guru for Nurses
Nursing is one of the world’s most diverse professions. Whether a novice or experienced nurse, there are many ways and places that nurses make a difference. Celebrating the nursing profession and all it has to offer, County College of Morris will hold a spring nursing conference, “Nursing – a Career for a Lifetime,” on Thursday, April 26, from 9 a.m.- Noon, in the Student Community Center.

The conference will examine the radical changes taking place in nursing and health care and the unique opportunities those changes offer nurses to take on larger and more pivotal roles. Read more
Photo: Donna Cardillo

2012 CCM “Internal” Gala Invitation
The CCM Foundation’s main focus is to raise funds for scholarships that assist students to achieve their dream of a college education. Our annual Gala is critical to that effort.

We hope we can count on your support again this year! Click here to view our 2012 invitation with the internal ticket price of $175 (a 50% discount off the regular price).
Purchase Gala tickets, ads and sponsorships online at http://www.ccm.edu/donate/tickets.asp

**CCM Foundation Scholarship Gala Offers Chance to Own an Apple iPad**

If you can’t come to the Gala, but would like to support CCM Student Scholarships:
- Donate $25
- Receive souvenir “Angry Bird” charm (collect them all)
- Feed the “Angry Birds”
- Enter to win an Apple iPad

Contact cmcardle@ccm.edu or stop by the Foundation Office in Henderson Hall, Room 211. The drawing will take place the evening of the Gala. [Read more]

**Swap and Shop**

**Rental:** LBI Oceanfront Rental: Duplex sleeps 6 per floor. Renovations just finished for your comfort and vacation enjoyment! Sleep hearing sounds of the surf, awake to awesome sun-rises and ocean views, and step through the dune to enjoy your day on life-guarded beach. Visit [http://lbibeachtime.webs.com](http://lbibeachtime.webs.com) for pictures (click on photo album), descriptions, calendar, etc. CCM rentals receive 10 – 15 percent discount from realtor’s rates. Email pbernson@ccm.edu for additional information.

**Faculty/Staff Discussion Board – Forum**

Access the CCM Forum by visiting [http://forum.ccm.edu/](http://forum.ccm.edu/)

**Forum Software Tip**

Two things to remember when you log into the forum:

1. Go to Member Control Panel, click on the Profile tab, enter your CCM email address
2. While in your Profile, make sure you select “Yes” next to “Notify me of replies to posts”

If you have any questions, contact the Technology Help Desk at ext. 5600 or email helpdesk@ccm.edu.

**Kudos**

Dr. Jose Bevia, professor in the Music Department, presented his award-winning piano piece, *Three Enigmas*, on Sunday, February 26, at the Piedmont Piano Company in Oakland, California.

Bevia was invited by Composers, Inc. to engage in an afternoon of music reaching out to new audiences with a mission of presenting works by living American composers.