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### **LRC Move Changed to Spring Break Week**

The dates of the Sherman H. Masten Learning Resource Center's (LRC) move during its renovation to County College of Morris' (CCM) new building at 675 Route 10 East have been revised.

To minimize disruption to students and faculty, spring break week has been selected for the rescheduled move. The schedule is now as follows:

- The LRC will remain open February 13-18
- The LRC will close during spring break week, Friday, March 8 – Saturday, March 16
- The LRC will reopen at 675 Route 10 East on Monday, March 18

The move will also impact additional services. In anticipation of the relocation the following services have already moved:

- Disability Services, now in SCC 125
- Testing Services, now in EH 209 and EH 211
- Library instruction classes, now in EH 206 and other locations

Please note that the Media Center will remain in its current location during the renovation.

The renovation is expected to take at least 18 months to complete. When it reopens, the new LRC will be a state-of-the-art facility offering students, faculty and the community at large a modern facility in which to read, research and conduct events.

The renovation will include new carpeting and décor, improved lighting, new furniture and an improved heating and ventilation system. The renovated building will house an expanded art gallery and café, as well as the library, Media Center, Disability Services and Testing.

## **SCHEDULED EVENTS**

Where applicable, click event title for more information

### **February Trivia Game Show**

February 12 at 12:30 p.m. in Davidson Room, Student Community Center

### **Valentine's Day Blood Drive**

February 14 from 9 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. in Davidson Rooms A and B, Student Community Center

### **Teddy Bear Factory**

February 14 at 11 a.m. in the Student Community Center lobby.

## **SAVE THE DATES**

### **Foundation Scholarship Gala**

April 26 at the Hyatt Morristown

### **May Professional Days**

May 15-16  
Details to follow

## **FRIENDLY REMINDERS**

### **Center for Teaching Excellence Offering Workshops**

The Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) is offering a number of workshops during the upcoming weeks that are open to all CCM faculty and staff.

Details about the workshops, as well as registration, [can be found at the CTE workshops web page](#).

CTE would also like to remind everyone that, along with the workshops, it offers several grants, information on upcoming conferences, and calls for proposals and presentations.

CTE also has various resources available, such as Faculty Presentations & Publication, Dean's Corner, learning and teaching related articles, and more. Find out more by visiting the [CTE web page](#). You can also [follow CTE on Twitter](#).

## Creative Leadership Team Helps Headstart Program



On December 17, the CCM Creative Leadership Club delivered aprons to the 3-year-old pre-school class at Headstart of Morris County in Dover. The aprons were hand-decorated with some wonderful designs by the members of the club, which makes useful craft items by hand for nonprofits and troops. The children also got a small stuffed animal to keep, since the aprons were remaining at the center for future classes.

The club has also completed other service projects in the past, including [creating specially decorated pillowcases for troops overseas](#).

Edie Nelson, an Educational Opportunity Fund Counselor and the club coordinator, said the great designs on the aprons reflect the talent of the group's members and that the crafts are getting even better as the group completes more projects.

The motivation for starting the Creative Leadership Club came from the members' experiences as participants in CCM's 2011 Leadership Academy. The mission of the Leadership Academy is to assist college employees with their professional development and with gaining a deeper insight into the activities of the college and forging stronger connections with one another and the community.

As part of the academy, participants took part in a project to build and hand paint bookcases for the children at Headstart.

### CCM Launches Student Clubs Blog

Student life entails more than just classes and tests at CCM. Some of the most successful students are also the most engaged in the CCM community. Many belong to one of the college's more than 40 student organizations.

Now, those clubs have a place to display the exceptional work they produce on campus each day.

CCM recently launched its own student clubs blog to help members highlight their handiwork. The blog, found at

## **HR CORNER**

### Voluntary Life Insurance Information

CCM is offering full-time employees the opportunity to purchase voluntary life insurance coverage. You can purchase life insurance for yourself and/or your dependents.

If you are interested in learning more, please sign up for a private, fifteen minute session with a Benefit Counselor from Unum.

They will be on site to explain the voluntary life insurance program offerings on February 12 and 13 in Henderson Hall, room 107.

On February 13, sessions will run for 15 minutes from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Almost all of the February 12 time slots have been filled, but those at 4:45 and 5 p.m. were still available as of Thursday afternoon.

To register, email Karyn Norberg at [knorberg@ccm.edu](mailto:knorberg@ccm.edu) with one of the available time slot desired.

Appointments are taken on a first-come, first-served basis. Additional days will be added only if necessary.

More information [can be found in this flyer](#).

### Upcoming Available Retirement Consultations

**MetLife** representative David Sharpe will be on campus for one-on-one consultations on February 15 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Henderson Hall, room 107.

Appointments are required by email at [dsharpe2@metlife.com](mailto:dsharpe2@metlife.com)

**TIAA-CREF** representative Zhee Moon will be on campus for one-on-one consultations on February 7 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Henderson Hall, room 107.

Appointments are required by phone 866-843-5640.

Please note that Ana Pflzgraf is no longer CCM's representative, and currently works in another capacity at TIAA-CREF.

<http://www.countycollegeofmorris.wordpress.com>, will offer the outside community a glimpse into student life.

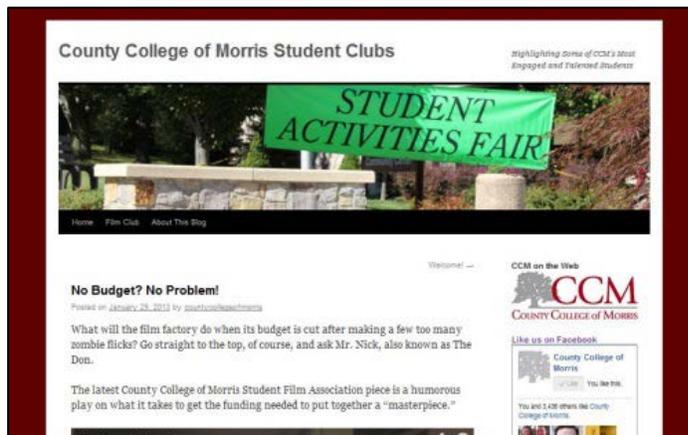
“The blog will provide a great opportunity for CCM’s clubs to showcase the wonderful things they are doing,” said Don Phelps, associate director of Campus Life.

The blog’s first post features a production by the Student Film Association titled *Factory of Fools*, a work that takes a fictitious and humorous look at what “Film Factory” club members do in order to secure funding for their latest film.

“Having a place to display all of the great work students produce in clubs at CCM is really exciting,” said Nick Sangiacomo, co-president of the Student Film Association. “As a member of a group that creates visual pieces, it will be great to show others what we are doing on campus.”

Sangiacomo and his counterpart Jack Siberine were excited about the prospect of highlighting student club work on the blog and were eager to be the first club to post.

In the coming months, more clubs and students are expected to show just how rich the complete college experience at CCM can be. To see what the blog is all about, as well as the Student Film Association’s first post, head to <http://www.countycollegeofmorris.wordpress.com>.



### **Career Choices Workshop**

Many students often become confused or unsure about which major and career would be best for them. The Career Choices Workshop will give students an opportunity to learn more about which occupations correspond with one’s values, personality, interests and abilities.

The workshop will be held February 12 from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m. in Henderson Hall, room 215. Students will be given the Career Decision-Making System – a self-scoring interest test – and also get an introduction to the FOCUS 2 – an online career planning assessment tool.

Students who are interested in attending can call the Counseling and Student Success Office at 973-328-5140 to reserve a spot.

### **Lecture Looks at Recession, Recovery**

Faculty, staff and students are welcome to attend a lecture given by economist Maliha Safri, assistant professor in the economics department at Drew University, titled *Economic Recession and Recovery*.

The talk will take a look at whether there has been an economic recovery, the controversies within economic theory that lead to a confusion about whether a recovery has taken place, and the conditions that would generate a difference for American workers.

The event will be held on February 19 from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m. in DeMare Hall, DH 118. It is sponsored by the CCM Department of Sociology, Economics and Anthropology.