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CCM and Rutgers to Celebrate New Partnership



County College of Morris (CCM) and Rutgers University will sign a Memorandum of Understanding to establish a program beginning in Fall 2014 that will offer students the opportunity to complete a Rutgers University-Newark baccalaureate degree on-site at CCM. The ceremony will take place on Tuesday, December 17, at 11 a.m. in the Student Community Center. The program will launch with majors planned in psychology, journalism, criminal justice, graphic design, and public and non-profit administration.

Professor Launches Campaign to Build Cultural Bridges

A world-renowned musician and composer, Dr. José Beviá, professor of music at CCM, is working to keep the art of orchestral writing alive in the United States and Europe, and across generations. As part of that effort, he has launched a fundraising campaign to hire a 62-piece orchestra in the Czech Republic, the North Czech Philharmonic Teplice, to record his second symphony.

As part of his fundraising campaign, Beviá will be holding a concert with eight of his former students on Saturday, December 21, at 2:30 p.m. at the Madison Public Library, Chase Auditorium. The group will play selections from Bach, Brahms, Ravel, Schulhoff, Faure, Prokofiev and

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Where applicable, click event title for more information

Dance Theatre Concert

December 13 and 14 at 7:30 p.m., Dragonetti Auditorium, Student Community Center

A Holiday Under the Stars

December 13 at 7 p.m. and
December 14 at 5 p.m., Longo Planetarium

Professional Day and Adjunct Faculty Dinner

January 9, 2014

SAVE THE DATES

Foundation Scholarship Gala

April 25, 2014

KUDOS

Professor Presents at Conference

From October 21 through 26, Dr. Stephen H. Levy, professor of philosophy and religion at CCM, presented his paper, "A Quasi-Intuitive Method for Assessing Knowledge," at the International Association for Educational Assessment (IAEA) conference in Tel Aviv. Levy is scheduled to make a CCM Center for Teaching Excellence presentation of the paper on Thursday, February 20, 2014 during college hour.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Holiday Closing

The college will be closed this year from Wednesday, December 25, through Wednesday, January 1, 2014. Offices will reopen on Thursday, January 2, 2014.

Logon Change Starting in January

On January 13, 2014, CCM students, faculty and staff will be able to log into their CCM email, WebAdvisor, CCM wireless network, Blackboard and the Learning Resource Center proxy server with the same username and password. For students only, passwords will automatically be changed to the letters ccm, followed by their seven-digit student identification number. For faculty and staff, their passwords will not be changed. Instead, they will be able to use the same username and password they use to log into their CCM

Casella. A suggested donation of \$20 is requested.

He also has posted his project to hire the North Czech Philharmonic Teplice on Kickstarter at <http://tinyurl.com/ptlycp3>. Kickstarter is a fundraising platform where artists are able to raise money for their creative endeavors. Read more at <http://tinyurl.com/nclqsmg>.



Professor Releases Fifth Book on Illinois Congressman

Mark Washburne, associate professor of history and political science at CCM, has released his latest book on the life of Illinois Civil War Congressman Elihu Benjamin Washburne, one of his distant cousins. The book, *American Minister to France During Paris Commune of 1871*, looks at the start of President Ulysses S. Grant's administration when Grant nominated his old friend, Elihu Washburne, as Secretary of State and then Prime Minister of France. This book explores the life of Elihu Washburne in France with special focus on his significant role during the Paris Commune of 1871.

The work is the fifth book in Professor Washburne's series, *A Biography of Elihu Benjamin Washburne*. Read more at <http://tinyurl.com/o5lfmw7>.

Professional Day and Adjunct Faculty Dinner Schedule

The college's Faculty Professional Day and Adjunct Faculty Dinner will be held on Thursday, January 9, 2014. A schedule of events can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/n732et6>.

Support the Holiday Card Scholarship

Donations to the CCM Holiday Scholarship Card are currently being accepted. Your gift goes directly to this scholarship fund, which is available to full-time CCM employees or their children for books and fees. In late December, an electronic holiday card will be sent to the entire campus community bearing the names of all donors. There is no need to send your signature, as in years past.



Send your donation of any amount to Rick Burchfield, mail station Henderson Hall, Room 119. Please make checks payable to the CCM Foundation. You can also make your gift online by going to www.ccm.edu/donate. On the "Review Your Donation" page, click the "Add special instructions to the seller" line. When the box appears, please type in "Holiday Card."

The deadline for receiving all donations is Tuesday, December 17, at 5 p.m. The card will be emailed to the entire CCM community on Friday,

computer and email accounts to also access WebAdvisor and Blackboard. The only exception is Colleague, which will continue to require a distinct password that is changed on a regular basis. For more detailed information on how the password change impacts students, go to www.ccm.edu/onepassword.

Nominate Students for Who's Who

The CCM community has until today, December 13, to nominate students for consideration in *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. Those nominated have the opportunity to be consider for one of several national scholarships. If you know of an exceptional student you believe should be nominated, please submit their names and student identification numbers (if available) to Dr. Bette Simmons, vice president of student development and enrollment management, by the deadline.

December Library Novella Book Club

The CCM Library Novella Book Club will be discussing Vladimir Nabokov's "Pnin" on Wednesday, December 18, from noon to 1 p.m. and all employees are welcome to attend. The club meets the last Wednesday of the month in the lunch room of 675 Route 10 East. Those with questions can contact ext. 5278.

Children's Book Drive

The CCM Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) is promoting children's literacy now through Friday, December 20, by participating in the Cops N' Kids Children's Book Drive. Employees can donate new or gently-used children's books at the EOF office at Cohen Hall, Room 211, and the Campus Life office at the Student Community Center, Room 226. Also being accepted are \$1 donations for book labels.

HR CORNER

Retirement Consultations

Due to the delayed opening on Monday, December 9, **MetLife** representative David Sharpe will now be on campus for one-on-one consultations in Henderson Hall, Room 110, on Friday, December 20, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Appointments can be made by emailing dsharpe2@metlife.com.

TIAA-CREF representative Zhee Moon will be on campus for one-on-one consultations in Henderson Hall, Room 107, from 9 a.m. to 4

December 20. Every donation, no matter how much, is appreciated.

p.m. on the following dates in 2014: Tuesday, January 21; Thursday, February 20; Tuesday, March 18; Thursday, April 17; Tuesday, May 13; and Tuesday, June 17. Appointments are required by phone at 866-843-5640.