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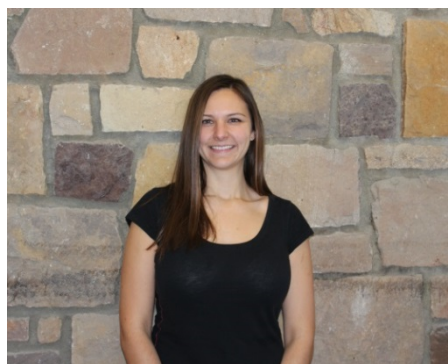
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### National Radiography Leadership Program



Svetlana "Lana" Butkevich, of East Hanover, was on the pathway to earning a master's degree in clinical psychology when she realized she wanted something different for her life: a career that would involve less sitting but still allow her to help people. Trained in taking X-rays at the animal

hospital where she worked part-time, Butkevich, 29, realized that sort of work provided her with greater satisfaction. So she turned to CCM and enrolled in the Radiography program.

After she earns her Associate in Applied Science this July, Butkevich will be qualified to directly enter the marketplace as a radiologic technologist. She also will have a distinct advantage as a result of being selected by the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) to take part in its Student Leadership Development Program this summer.

The ASRT leadership program provides students with the opportunity to attend educational sessions and network with medical imaging and radiologic professionals. About 50 students from across the country are selected for the program each year. This year's program takes place at the ASRT Educational Symposium and Annual Governance and House of Delegates Meeting June 25-28 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. As a selected participant, Butkevich will have all her expenses paid by ASRT.

## **SCHEDULED EVENTS**

Where applicable, click event title for more information

### Dance Theatre Concert

March 5 and 6, 7:30 p.m.

Student Community Center, Dragonetti Auditorium

### Story Telling and World Music Festival

March 8, 12:30 p.m.

Student Community Center

### "Little Women" Musical

April 8-11, 7:30 p.m., April 11, 2 p.m.

Student Community Center, Dragonetti Auditorium

### "The Devils" Drama

April 30- May 2, 7:30 p.m.

Student Community Center, Dragonetti Auditorium

## **SAVE THE DATE**

### **Spring Professional Days**

May 13-14

## **FRIENDLY REMINDERS**

### Class of 2013 Graduate Survey

Career Services and Cooperative Education has completed its survey of graduates from the Class of 2013. Out of 1,158 individuals who received degrees in 2013, the office was able to interview 823, or 71 percent. Among the findings are that 98 percent of the graduates described their experience at CCM as excellent (72 percent) and good (26 percent). To read more, go to <http://tinyurl.com/om5veac>.

### Adult Open House

The Adult Open House will be held on Thursday, March 5, at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Community Center, Davidson Room. The \$30 application fee will be waived for anyone who applies for admission at the open house. See the full story at <http://tinyurl.com/om5veac>.

### 2015-16 Advising Cadre Application

Requests to serve on the 2015-2016 Advising Cadre are now being accepted. Interested

## [CCM Explores How to Bridge Today's Political Divide](#)

Recognizing that many Americans are tired of divisive politics and concerned about the disservice it does to democracy, the Communication department at CCM will be hosting the "Bring it to the Table" program at the college.



"Bring it to the Table" is a documentary film and participatory online platform to encourage community engagement among those who believe the national conversation around politics needs to be elevated. The concept behind the program is that politics once again should become an

acceptable topic for dinner conversation. The program at CCM, which is free and open to the public, takes place Tuesday, March 3, from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m. in CH 124.

"Bring it to the Table" was developed by filmmaker Julie Winokur after her 17-year-old son called her "the most intolerant person" he knew. Shocked by his comment, Winokur also realized that everyone plays a role in divisive politics when he or she relies on assumptions instead of conversation. "Bring it to the Table" is her contribution toward solving the problem. To view a trailer of the program, go to <https://vimeo.com/59757642>.

## [Engineering Program for High School Students at CCM](#)



The Morris County Vocational School District in partnership with CCM is offering a new Share Time program, Engineering Design and Advanced Manufacturing (EDAM), for Morris County high school students. The program will prepare students for a career in engineering and advanced manufacturing. EDAM is designed for students with an interest in engineering, computer applications and manufacturing who will learn through college-level work and hand-on activities. Castelli also stated the program will include work-based learning experiences through industry partnerships.

full-time faculty should review the 2015-2016 Advising Cadre Guidelines and send their request to serve to Margaret Shepard ([mshepard@ccm.edu](mailto:mshepard@ccm.edu)) no later than April 6. Applicants will be notified of their selection by email after April. To read the guidelines, go to <http://tinyurl.com/kf3guke>.

## [What Is an Accommodation Letter?](#)

Maria Schiano, director of Disability Services and Testing, will be presenting a CTE session on "An Accommodation Letter – What Does it Really Mean?" on Wednesday, March 4 at 2 p.m. and Tuesday, March 10, at 2 p.m. in SH 120.

## [Spring Counseling and Student Success Workshops](#)

The CCM Office of Counseling and Student Success is hosting multiple upcoming workshops that are designed to help students in a number of important areas. A full schedule of Spring Semester workshops can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/nw46tdr>. The following is a description the next event.

## [The Writing Institute II](#)

Because of everyone's reaction to the last Writing Institute workshop in December, Professor Ken Shouler, philosophy, will continue to deemphasize the mechanics of selling writing and emphasize the principles of good writing. Writing Institute II meetings are 12:30 p.m. in the CTE office on March 10, April 7 and April 28. Register for the Writing Institute workshops on the CTE website.

## [Transfer Services Hosting College Fair, Other Events](#)

CCM Transfer Services is hosting a number of events this Spring Semester, including the Spring College Fair on Wednesday, March 11, from 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. in the Student Community Center, Davidson Rooms, and the Learning Resource Center, Multipurpose Room. See the full list of events at <http://tinyurl.com/p8esns0>.

## [Career Choices](#)

### [Tuesday, March 10, 12:30 p.m. in Cohen Hall, Room 156](#)

This workshop helps students discover their personal interests, abilities and talents while learning about what skills and career opportunities exist. Students will be introduced to FOCUS 2, an online educational and career planning assessment tool. The

Upon completion of the two-year program, students will earn 32 credits from CCM and Certificates of Achievement in Mechanical Computer Aided Drafting and Engineering Technology. Students may then enroll in CCM's Associates in Applied Science in Engineering Technology program for one additional year to earn their associate degree, or at a four-year college or university, or pursue workforce placement.

Share Time programs are half-day sessions providing juniors and seniors in high school the opportunity to receive daily career and technical training as part of their school program. EDAM is currently planned for the afternoon session and will be held at CCM. For additional information, call the Morris County School of Technology at (973) 627-4600 ext. 277.

### [Third Annual Photo Contest for High School Students](#)



New Jersey high school students with an eye for photography have until April 11 to enter CCM's Third Annual Photo Contest for the chance to win prizes and recognition. This year, the competition's first sponsor, Unique Photo Superstore in Fairfield, will be providing first-, second- and third-prize gift certificates. The CCM Visual Arts department and Photo Club will provide awards for honorable mentions.

High-school-age photographers are being asked to submit photos on the theme of the cultural topography of New Jersey. Entries should explore the settings, rituals and moods of social experience within one group of people (place of work, school, friends, sports teams, family, etc.) Contestants are encouraged to depict the tension and/or harmony created among people of different generations, cultural backgrounds, political or religious beliefs, etc. Photographs can be critical or celebratory, and the subjects can range from the heroic to mundane.

Winning photographs, honorable mentions and finalists will be featured in an exhibition also including work by CCM photography students. Voting begins at midnight on April 25, and the winner will be announced at the opening of the exhibition. Read more at <http://tinyurl.com/oksody8>.

### [Adjunct Professor Holds Solo Exhibition in New Hope](#)



To celebrate its grand re-opening, Sidetracks Art Gallery in New Hope, PA, is featuring a solo exhibition of new artwork of Resident Gallery Artist Leah K. Tomaino, adjunct professor of Visual Arts at CCM.

workshop is perfect for those unsure of what direction to follow and who may feel overwhelmed about finding a major.

### [Free Yoga and Pilates Classes for Employees](#)

As part of the Workplace Wellness Program, CCM is holding free yoga and Pilates classes. Yoga is on Mondays and Pilates is on Wednesdays from 5-6 p.m. in the Health and Physical Education building all-purpose room. All employees are welcome to participate. For more information or to sign up, contact Health Services at ext. 5160.

### [Library Novella Book Club](#)

The CCM Library Novella Book Club will be discussing *39 Steps* by John Buchan on Wednesday, March 25, from noon to 1 p.m. and all employees are welcome to attend. The club typically meets the last Wednesday of the month in the library conference room. Those with questions can contact ext. 5278.

## **HR CORNER**

### [Managing Stress Instantly](#)

The college's new Employee Assistance Provider, Barnabas Health, will be hosting a lunch-and-learn session on "Managing Stress Instantly" on Tuesday, March 26, from noon to 1 p.m. in LRC 122.

Robert Friedman will present techniques and strategies from his book, "How to Relax in 60 Seconds or Less." Participants will learn how to create instant relaxation and develop an effective buffer zone between their stressors and their health. Space is limited, so please RSVP to Rita in Human Resources at ext. 5041 or [rragany-bayer@ccm.edu](mailto:rragany-bayer@ccm.edu) if you would like to attend.

### [Financial Education On-Demand](#)

Find the TIAA-CREF Financial Essential On-Demand Webinar that's right for you! Visit [www.tiaa-cref.org/financialeducation](http://www.tiaa-cref.org/financialeducation) to view all of the on-demand webinar options.

Learn how to make better financial decisions. TIAA-CREF's Financial Essentials curriculum is designed to help you build a stronger financial future, no matter where you are in life. Now, the New Jersey Alternative Benefit Program community can access the webinars online anytime! A variety of subjects are covered to help you reach your personal

The exhibition, titled "Brown Bags Blossom," opened on February 21 and runs through March 31. There will be an opening reception on Saturday, February 28, from 5-9 p.m. The gallery is located adjacent to the New Hope Arts Center, 10 Stockton Avenue, where Bridge Street meets the New Hope-Ivyland Railroad.

In her new one-woman show, Tomaino's pioneering acrylic and paper collages have become more complex in execution but more robustly simple in color and texture, in rhythm and design. Each artwork is the product of 10 to 12 months of work – as Tomaino tears apart recycled ordinary brown bags, paints them with vivid colors and hand-applies them to her canvas. Two of her works now are also on display in the CCM gallery in the National Association of Women Artists' "Art of Transformation" exhibition.

### **Commencement to Take Place May 22**

CCM's 46th Commencement Exercises will take place on Thursday, May 22. Regalia order forms have been sent to faculty and administration through campus mail. All faculty and administrators who need to order regalia should complete and return the forms to the Campus Store by March 6.

There will be no charge to the participants for the rental of graduation regalia. However, orders received in the Campus Store after March 9 will have a \$20 late fee for special handling and shipping. The fee will be charged to the participant's department. Any questions should be directed to Dolores Schepisi at the Campus Store at ext. 5151 or [dschepisi@ccm.edu](mailto:dschepisi@ccm.edu).

goals, including Spending within Your Means, Saving for Life's Milestones, Planning for Today and Tomorrow, Investing in Your Future and Living in Retirement.

### **Latest Workplace Wellness Newsletter**

The Department of Health Services has issued its latest Workplace Wellness Newsletter, which can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/mj9yntf>. The January/February issue contains information regarding CCM's emergency communication procedure, as well as the college's red-envelope initiative.

### **State Retirement Workshops**

The Division of Pensions and Benefits has scheduled new dates for retirement workshops designed for employees who plan to retire anytime within the next two years. Both live classroom sessions and online webinars are available. Reserve a seat now by registering at <http://tinyurl.com/lkqmtz2>. The page also provides a list of available dates, times and locations.

The workshops provide a step-by-step look at the retirement process. They explain retirement benefits, beneficiary options, group life insurance and how to submit the retirement application online using MBOS.

### **Retirement Consultations**

One-on-one counseling sessions are available as follows with state-approved representatives:

**MetLife** representative David Sharpe will be on campus on March 17, April 23, May 7 and June 12. Email [dsharpe2@metlife.com](mailto:dsharpe2@metlife.com) to make an appointment.

**AXA Equitable** representative Marc Sheridan will be on campus Tuesday, March 10, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. in Henderson Hall, Room 107. Call 908-230-2042 to make an appointment. Sheridan will also be on campus April 14.