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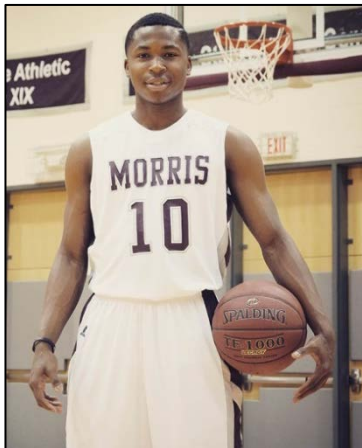
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## Men's Basketball Player Second-Team All-American



After a season that saw him break the 1,000-point barrier at County College of Morris (CCM), Titans sophomore point guard Ryan Harris, has been named to the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Men's Basketball All-America Second Team.

Harris finished the season averaging 25 points per game, which was tied for third in NJCAA Division II. For his efforts,

he was also named to the Region XIX First Team and the All-Garden State Athletic Conference First Team.

Harris currently stands third all-time on the CCM scoring list at 1,169 total points behind Derick Washington (1,257) and Peter Balfour

## SCHEDULED EVENTS

Where applicable, click event title for more information

### CCM Open House

April 25, 10 and 11:30 a.m.

### "The Devils" - Drama

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

Student Community Center, Dragonetti Auditorium

### Space Extreme

May 8, 7 p.m.

Longo Planetarium

### Shapes in the Sky

May 9, 1 p.m.

Longo Planetarium

### Tour of the Planets

May 9, 3 p.m.

Longo Planetarium

### Spring Professional Days

May 13-14

## KUDOS

### Board Approves Faculty Appointments

The CCM Board of Trustees approved a number of recommendations regarding tenure, promotions and sabbatical leaves for faculty at its April 15 meeting. Those individuals include:

- Promoted to Professor: Dr. Jill Schennum
- Promoted to Associate Professor: John Williford
- Promoted to Assistant Professor: Kathryn Shuck, Kelly Whalen
- Tenure: Jutta Braun, Jenifer Martin, David Pallant, Buffy Reilly, Kathryn Shuck, Kelly Whalen
- Sabbatical Leave: Dr. Maria Lee (Spring 2015)

Congratulations to these faculty members on the recognition.

(1,329). Earlier this season, he became just the fifth player in Titans history to break the 1,000-point barrier after scoring 34 against Valley Forge on February 5. Read more at <http://tinyurl.com/lxhroky>.

### **Purchasing Deadlines for Fiscal Year 2014-15**

Please note the purchase requisition deadlines for 2014-15 as the fiscal year starts to come to an end. The deadlines help ensure Purchasing has adequate lead time to procure all goods and services.

If you are planning to purchase any capital equipment or audio-visual equipment, please email Purchasing immediately. CCM is currently in a bid situation for audio-visual equipment and specialized capital equipment. Therefore, Purchasing cannot guarantee a June 30 delivery date unless the item(s) are available under a state or consortium contract.

Deadline dates are:

- **Miscellaneous (excludes repair and maintenance):** May 13
- **Blanket Order Change Request:** June 1
- **WB Mason Office Supplies:** June 12
- **Blanket Order Releases:** June 12
- **Check Enclosed Orders:** June 12
- **Chartwells (Food Service):** June 12

### **Foundation Scholarship Gala Next Friday**

This year's CCM Foundation Scholarship Gala will be held at the Hanover Marriott, Route 10 East, on Friday, May 1. It begins with cocktails at 6 p.m., followed by dinner and the awards program at 7:30 p.m.

This year's honoree will be Dr. Joseph A. Trunfio, retiring president and CEO of the Atlantic Health System. In addition, four CCM alumni will be receiving awards: Paul Goudreau '86 (Alumnus of the Year); Jean Snopkowski '94 (Alumni Achievement); David Artuso '86 (Alumni Service) and Margaret "Peggy" Lund Fitzgibbon '88, '95 (Alumni Humanitarian).



Faculty and staff tickets are \$195 per ticket, \$180 off the external price of \$375 per ticket.

The invitation that contains the internal price can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/pmf34gy>. Join the foundation as it raises funds for CCM's General Scholarship program.

Even if you are unable to attend the gala, you can still help raise funds for scholarships. Purchase a \$25 ticket and fruit snack, representing the popular app game Fruit Ninja, and you'll receive one of only 100 chances to win a silver 16 GB iPad Air 2. Contact Colleen McArdle at [cmcardle@ccm.edu](mailto:cmcardle@ccm.edu) to purchase your chance.

### **PTK Names Ortiz Professor of Semester**

Professor Mariana Ortiz of the Languages and English as a Second Language department has been chosen as Professor of the Semester – Spring 2015 by CCM's Phi Theta Kappa chapter. This honor is given to "professors who have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to education and recognizes the outstanding academic dedication, drive and support they have exhibited over the course of the semester."

### **Professors Present Findings**



Professors Keri Flanagan, Jenifer Martin and Jason Hudzik recently presented their initial findings from their National Science Foundation (NSF) Advanced Technological Education (ATE) Grant "Pathways of Applied Career Experience (PACE) Science Program in Biotechnology and Chemical Technology." The presentation, which took place at Bergen County Community College on Friday, April 17, included PACE pathways, internship opportunities, student retention strategies, POGIL pedagogy, POGIL drawing activity, study methodologies and future plans.

### **FRIENDLY REMINDERS**

#### **LHT Plant Sale**

The CCM Landscape and Horticultural Technology (LHT) department will hold its annual Spring Plant Sale on Monday, April 27, through Wednesday, April 29, from noon until 6 p.m. at the LHT greenhouses located beside Parking Lot 1. This year's sale will include flats of annual, herb and vegetable transplants, including heirloom tomato varieties, along with flowering perennial plants and hanging baskets. Proceeds benefit CCM LHT student activities. For more

### **2015-16 Online Catalog Now Available**

The online catalog for the 2015-16 Academic Year is now available at <http://catalog.ccm.edu/>. The catalog covers the Summer 2015 semester through Spring 2016 semester and also includes the Summer College for Kids and Teens catalog. For those who would like a print version of the catalog, two versions are available in the Print Shop, the full credit catalog and a shorter and less expensive version that just includes Programs and Courses. Also available is a print version of the Summer College for Kids and Teens online catalog.

### **Cyber Security Team Finishes Seventh at Regional Finals**



The CCM Cyber Centurions, the college's cyber defense team, finished seventh at the Mid-Atlantic Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition (MACCDC) Regional Finals. The MACCDC was held at Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Lab in Maryland. This was the first time the team, consisting of members from the college's Cyber Security Club, competed in any cybersecurity competition, and it was the first and only team from any New Jersey college or university to enter the competition. The school was one of only 10 teams to make it to regionals.

Individually, CCM student and president of the Cyber Security Club Kimberly Monka had an impressive showing. During the virtual qualifying round, Monka successfully kept the Red Team, the designated attack team, out of her server by continually fending off attacks for the entire three-hour duration of the competition.

The competition ranked individuals by their success in capturing flags. A flag is a hidden file on a system. Monka finished 10th out of 110 individuals. Read more at <http://tinyurl.com/lj483da>.

### **Japanese Language Students Receive Awards**

Three CCM students are the recipients of the 2015 Japanese Language and Culture Study Award granted by the New Jersey Association of Teachers of Japanese (NJATJ) at Seton Hall University.

information, contact the LHT department at 973-328-5363.

### **Student Employment Notice and Change in Hours**

The first day of the summer student employment period is Tuesday, May 12. Only those students who have been officially hired or rehired for the summer employment period will be permitted to work from that date on. Please note that student aides will not be permitted to work more than 24.5 hours per week during the summer period. No averaging of hours is permitted.

If your department would like to hire student aides to work this summer, please print, complete and submit a Summer Student Aide Request Form (found at <http://tinyurl.com/cafk6s>) to Career Services in Cohen Hall, Room 203.

### **Faculty Development Endowment**

The Louise and Samuel Olshan Endowment for Faculty Professional Development exists to help faculty members offset the cost of professional memberships and/or travel to professional conferences and meetings.

Grants are available to:

- Full-time faculty (excluding academic department chairs and assistant department chairs)
- Adjunct faculty who have taught 20 semesters (fall and spring) in the last 12 years

Criteria details and the application can be found at <http://www.ccm.edu/cte/grants.aspx>. The deadline for applying is Friday, May 1.

### **The Writing Institute II**

Because of everyone's reaction to the last Writing Institute workshop in December, Professor Ken Souler, philosophy, will continue to deemphasize the mechanics of selling writing and emphasize the principles of good writing. The final Writing Institute II meeting is 12:30 p.m. in the CTE office on Tuesday, April 28. Register for the Writing Institute workshop on the CTE website at <http://www.ccm.edu/cte/workshops.aspx>.

Rebecca Katko, Brittany Somol and Nicholas Carlson were nominated by CCM Japanese Professor Ayako Morrell for their commitment to learning Japanese language and culture.

Katko, 17, is a participant in CCM's Challenger program, which allows high school students to enrich their education by taking college-level courses.

Katko and Morrell attended the NJATJ Japanese Language and Culture Study Award ceremony at Seton Hall University in March where the Challenger student accepted her certificate. Although Katko is still in high school, she is enrolled in the highest level of Japanese offered at CCM – Intermediate Japanese II.

Carlson, an adjunct engineering professor and a non-matriculated student at CCM, has wanted to learn Japanese since high school but didn't have the opportunity until he started teaching at the college. Read more at <http://tinyurl.com/nlfepcx>.



### **CCM Students Gain Coveted Internship Positions at BASF**

Building upon the success of previous science students at CCM and his own academic achievements, Michael Masino will be working at BASF's Catalysts division in Iselin this coming summer as an intern.

Masino, who is one of two CCM students selected this year for a summer internship at BASF, is majoring in both biology and engineering science at CCM. His plan is to launch a career in biomedical engineering where he can design solutions to help people improve their quality of life.

In addition to attending school full-time and working multiple part-time jobs, Masino is president of the Biology and Chemistry Club at CCM and an active member of the Phi Theta Kappa honor society. Read more at <http://tinyurl.com/lrf5kwm>.

### **Volunteers Wanted for National Event**

CCM will be hosting Send Silence Packing, a nationally recognized public education exhibit of 1,100 backpacks, representing the number of students who die by suicide every year. It will take place on Thursday, April 30, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., with a candle-light vigil to follow.

Volunteers are needed to help monitor the backpacks, to hand out information cards and to guide attendees who'd like to speak with a counselor from the counseling office. Those who'd like to volunteer are asked to contact Ariella Panek at [apanek@ccm.edu](mailto:apanek@ccm.edu) or ext. 5238. The event is sponsored by Campus Life, CCM Special Events, Counseling and Student Success, and the CCM Active Minds Club. Read more about the event at <http://tinyurl.com/pphypop>.

### **Library Novella Book Club**

The CCM Library Novella Book Club will be discussing "Paterson" by William Carlos Williams, in celebration of National Poetry Month, on Wednesday, April 29, 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. The club in May will discuss "Trout Fishing in America" by Richard Brautigan.

## **HR CORNER**

### **Special Pricing for Nets Playoff Tickets**

The Barclays Center is offering CCM employees the chance to purchase Brooklyn Nets vs. Atlanta Hawks playoffs tickets for Game 4 on Monday, April 27. Prices range from \$40 to \$50, and tickets are limited. Tickets can be purchased at <http://tinyurl.com/nqhqsvn>.

### **Sam's Club Memberships**

Sam's Club will be on campus in the Student Community Center lobby on Monday, April 27, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

### **Discounted Monster Truck Tickets**

CCM employees who are fans of monster trucks are able to purchase discounted tickets for the upcoming Monster Jam: Path of Destruction, coming to MetLife Stadium in East Rutherford on Saturday, June 13. The

### **CCM Student Fashion Show**

Design students at CCM are getting ready to present their hard work at CCM's annual student-run fashion show. The theme of this year's show is "Couture in Bloom."

The show will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 30, in the Student Community Center Davidson Rooms. The event, which is open to the public, is sponsored by CCM's Fashion Club.

Tickets are \$15 in advance and can be purchased at the Office of Campus Life in the Student Community Center. Several promotional dates also will be held when tickets can be purchased for \$10. Those dates are April 23 and April 29. Tickets at the door are \$20.

### **CCM Gourmet Club's Victorian High Tea**

Join the CCM Gourmet Club and a Food Production class for soup, salad, finger sandwiches, scones and fruit sorbet during a Victorian High Tea on Saturday, May 2, in the Student Community Center, Room 240. Two seating times are available at 11:45 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Tickets can be bought at the Campus Life information window in the Student Community Center. Tickets are \$5 and children under 12 are free. Table reservations may be made for two, four or six people. Seating is limited in availability. The event is sponsored by the Gourmet Club

### **Newest Editions of "Youngtown" and "Promethean"**

The final Spring Semester edition of "The Youngtown Edition" has been published. This issue of CCM's award-winning student newspaper contains the final exam schedule. It can be found online at <http://tinyurl.com/ps5z43r>.

Also, the 2014-15 issue of "Promethean," CCM's award-winning student literary and arts publication, has just been published. If you or your department would like a copy or two of "Promethean," please stop by the Office of Campus Life in the Student Community Center to get your copy.

deadline to order is Thursday, June 4. More information can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/kako2hh>.

### **Plum Benefits Offers**

Thanks to CCM's relationship with Plum Benefits, you have access to saving up to 60 percent on more than 80,000 hotels in the most desirable destinations around the world, brand new products including great deals on nationwide theme parks, movie tickets and rental cars, plus the same great Broadway shows and exciting sporting events you've always enjoyed. Shopping has also been made easier with a secure on-site shopping cart. Check out [www.plumbenefits.com](http://www.plumbenefits.com) for more information.

### **Retirement Consultations**

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

**TIAA-CREF** representative Zhee Sarabia will be on campus on Thursday, April 30, from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. in Henderson Hall, Room 107. Call 800-732-8353 to make an appointment. She will also be on campus May 13 and June 1.

**MetLife** representative David Sharpe will be on campus on Thursday, May 7, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. in Henderson Hall, Room 107. Email [dsharpe2@metlife.com](mailto:dsharpe2@metlife.com) to make an appointment. He will also be on campus June 12.

**Prudential and DCRP** representative Lily Lau will be on campus Tuesday, May 5, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. in Henderson Hall, Room 107. Call 732-236-6782 to make an appointment.