

# The CCMemo

County College of Morris Employee Newsletter



## CCM Students Gain Real-World Experience Creating Music Videos



Jon Morales, of Succasunna, knew he wanted to attend County College of Morris (CCM) because of its reputation for providing a high-quality education. What he did not expect was the extent of hands-on training and portfolio-building experience he would receive as a Broadcasting Arts and Technology student.

[Read more.](#)

## Registration for Winterim and Spring 2018 Sessions



Registration for the Winterim and Spring semesters at County College of Morris (CCM) is now taking place. By applying and registering early, students are presented with the best opportunity to enroll in classes that take place on the days and times that fit their schedules.

[Read More.](#)

## Door Decorating Contest

The first annual door decorating contest competition is on! And our competitors are fierce! Still time to register if you want to get in on competition. Simply send an e-mail to [ragany-bayer@ccm.edu](mailto:ragany-bayer@ccm.edu) before the end of today, Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>.

Judging begins next week. There are currently 23 registered entries and we have prepared a judging checklist for use when walking around and reviewing doors/cubicles. After you have viewed all the doors, it should be helpful to you when casting your vote electronically beginning next week. HR will send out the voting link on Monday. **Electronic voting will open on Monday and will be available through Thursday.** Winners will be announced Friday. Good luck all!

Find the judging tool at <http://tinyurl.com/ycxftfb>

## CCM EVENTS

### Career Week

November 13-17

See schedule here:

<http://tinyurl.com/y7hnm8p7>

### East of Eden

November 16 – 18, 7:30 p.m.

Dragonetti Auditorium

### College Council Meeting

Thursday, November 16, 12:30 – 1:45 p.m.

Sheffield Hall, Room 100

Meeting Schedule for 2017-18:

<http://tinyurl.com/y83u3g3g>

### Coffee and Conversation

Wednesday, November 29, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Music Technology Center, Room 105

### Winter Music Concert

Friday, December 1, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

Dragonetti Auditorium

### Dance Theatre

Thursday, December 14, and

Friday, December 15

7:30 – 10 p.m.

Dragonetti Auditorium

### Professional Day

Thursday, January 11, 2018, 8:30 a.m.

– 3:30 p.m.

Dragonetti Auditorium, other locations to be decided

### Adjunct Faculty Orientation/Dinner

Thursday, January 11, 2018, 5 – 7 p.m.

Davidson Rooms

## HR CORNER

### Plum Benefits November

#### Entertainment Guide

Enjoy the hottest hit shows and some fantastic favorites with Plum Benefits – save money and have fun!

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## 2018 CCM Password Procedure Revision

The Information Systems department will be revising the CCM Password Procedure in 2018. In accordance with National Standards, the following changes will take place:

Starting on January 1, the minimum length requirement for passwords will be raised from eight to fifteen characters. You will not have to initiate a password change at this point, your current password will continue to work, regardless of character count.

Between January and June 2018, you will be required to change your password on a date that is six months from your last password change. This will be the last time we will require you to change your password - no more 6 month password changes after this point.

The reasoning behind the new standard is to have a longer pass phrase/sentence that is easy to remember and can be retained for as long as possible. Passwords will only need to be changed when there is an indication of compromise.

## Writing Institute with Kenneth Shouler, Ph.D.



The *Writing Institute* will be meeting for the last time this semester on Thursday, November 16, during college hour (12:30 to 1:45 p.m.) in Cohen Hall, Room 210.

Are you interested in publishing a book, an article, in finding the right publication for your poetry? We will attend to a range of topics, including how to write magazine queries, whether it's prudent to fictionalize historical, philosophical and other kinds of non-fiction writing (statistics will help to answer this question). Some ask about how to query magazines and how to write book proposals.

The discussion is led by Kenneth Shouler, Ph.D., associate professor of philosophy. He is author of a history of philosophy, "The Everything Guide to Understanding Philosophy" and is working on a 12th book (and first work of fiction), "Thinking about Death." He has written for *Metaphilosophy*, *Forbes*, *Cigar Aficionado*, *ESPN.com*, *Philosophy Now*, *The Robb Report*, *the Daily News*, *Biography*, *The New York Times* syndicate, and dozens of other publications. Some of the writing can be found at [www.kenshouler.com](http://www.kenshouler.com)

Everyone is welcome. Shouler will order pizza and beverages, if people reply in advance, which helps provide him with a head count. Shouler can be reached at [kshouler@ccm.edu](mailto:kshouler@ccm.edu)

## Retirement Consultations with New Jersey State Approved Vendors

Save for retirement - Receive free retirement counseling sessions – make your appointment today. You do not need to be a member to meet with the representatives.

**TIAA representative** Zhee Sarabia will be on campus from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., on December 1 in Henderson Hall, Room 107. Call 800-732-8353 to make an appointment.

**VOYA representative** Brandon Zisa will be on campus November 15 and December 7. Visit <http://meetme.so/BrandonZisaCCM> to make an appointment at the times available.

**Prudential representative** Lily Lau will be on campus from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on December 12 in Henderson Hall room 107. Call 732-236-6782 or email [lily.lau@prudential.com](mailto:lily.lau@prudential.com) to make an appointment to discuss ABP or DCRP investments.

**MetLife/BrightHouse representative** David Sharpe will be on campus from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on December 12. Call 973-575-3254 or email [dsharpe@financialguide.com](mailto:dsharpe@financialguide.com) to make an appointment.

**AXA-Equitable representative** Mark Sheridan is available for individual appointments. Call 908-230-2042 or email [Marc.Sheridana@axa-advisors.com](mailto:Marc.Sheridana@axa-advisors.com).

**MassMutual (formerly Hartford) representative** Kenneth Quarnaccio is available for individual appts. Call 848-248-4313 or email [kquarnaccio@gittermanwealth.com](mailto:kquarnaccio@gittermanwealth.com) to make an appointment.

**VALIC representative** MaryAnn Bradford is available for individual appointments. Call 908-470-4114 or email [Maryann.bradford@valic.com](mailto:Maryann.bradford@valic.com).

## ATHLETICS

Upcoming Titans schedule:  
(vs. = home game, @ = away game)

Schedule subject to change. Please check [www.ccm.edu/athletics](http://www.ccm.edu/athletics) for most up-to-date information.

Men's Basketball:

November 11, 3 p.m. vs. Del Tech Stanton

Annual Turkey Hoop Shoot Tournament:

November 17, 5 p.m. vs. Westchester  
November 18, 2 p.m. vs. Orange

## Faculty Introductions



Let's take some time to get acquainted with our new faculty members. A series of brief videos has been provided to introduce the new professors. This week, meet Professor Geoffrey Peck from the Department of English and Philosophy. <https://youtu.be/TelAR75mzss>

## Faculty and Staff Market Place

The Office of Campus Life is proud to present the Fall 2017 Faculty and Staff Market Place on Tuesday, December 5, from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., in the Student Community Center (SCC) lounge.

The Market Place will provide CCM employees the opportunity to sell their crafts, gifts and wares to fellow faculty and staff, plus students.

If you are interested in participating, please contact the Campus Life office, SCC, Room 226, at ext. 5217. The registration form can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/ybdataxu>.

## SOCIAL MEDIA

Please help us market all the good things happening at CCM by sharing college events (performing arts, Open Houses, etc.) with your friends through your social media accounts.

Here's what to talk about this week:  
"Registration for the upcoming Winterim and Spring 2018 semesters is now taking place. Students have the best opportunity to create a schedule that fits their needs by enrolling now. CCM is one of New Jersey's top ranked community colleges and graduates earn the highest salaries of all NJ community colleges." [Read More.](#)



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## KUDOS

Kudos to Dr. Roger McCoach, Mathematics, for winning both the first and second prize awards for photography in the Arts Association in Roxbury's show at the Performing Arts Center at Sussex County Community College. His "Oryx and Shadows in Namibia" and "Sailboats" photographs were part of the organization's 50<sup>th</sup> year show.

View the photographs at <http://tinyurl.com/y8f6qk5n>

Kudos to Mark Washburne, History and Political Science, for entering the 2018 fall election as the fifth Democrat seeking to challenge U.S. Rep. Rodney Frelinghuysen, R-11 District. [Read More.](#)

Kudos to Shelley Kurland, dean, Virtual Campus, for earning her Doctor of Philosophy degree from Montclair State University.