

# The CCMemo

County College of Morris Employee Newsletter



## CCM EVENTS

### [Heroes and Healers](#)

November 7, 10 a.m. – noon

### [We Are Not Done Yet: Poetry and PTSD Awareness](#)

November 10, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

### [Admissions Virtual Open Houses](#)

November 14



## Table of Hope to Conduct Thanksgiving Food Distribution at CCM

### *Turkeys, Fresh Produce, Can Goods, Dairy and More for a Holiday Feast*

Table of Hope, with the support of local officials, businesses, agencies and volunteers, will be holding a Thanksgiving food distribution, including turkeys, fresh produce, can goods and dairy for a holiday meal, at CCM on Saturday, November 21.

The food distribution, open to Morris County residents, takes place from 10:30 a.m. to noon in Parking Lot 1 on the CCM campus. Visitors are asked to use CCM's Center Grove Road entrance. The distribution will operate as a no-questions asked, contactless drive-through event with cars stopping at different food stations categorized by food type. Visitors only need to open the trunk of their car to have boxes of food placed there by volunteers. Also to be distributed are hats and gloves for the colder months.

This is the third food distribution event Table of Hope is holding at CCM in partnership with the Morris County Sheriff's Office and Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders. Supporting organizations include Alstede Farm and the Morris County Chamber of Commerce. Serving as volunteers will be about 60 CCM faculty, staff and students, along with college administrators.

Those who would like to make a contribution to meet the goal of providing 600 turkeys for distribution can mail a check to Alstede Farms, LLC, Post Office Box 278, Chester, New Jersey 07930 and write "TOH Turkey" in the Memo field.

A holiday toy drive also is being held in conjunction with the Thanksgiving food distribution. New, unopened toys can be brought to CCM's Department of Public Safety near Parking Lot 10 on the college campus. Toy donations are being accepted through November 20. [Read more.](#)

## CCM in the news in the news in the news

Community College Daily – [Making remote education accessible to all](#)



In this issue of OUCH! read about social engineering attacks.

A common misconception about cyber attackers is that they use only highly advanced tools and techniques to hack into people's computers or accounts. In reality, they have learned the easiest way to access our devices, accounts and data is to simply ask for them. Learn how these attacks work and how to easily spot and stop them. Read the current issue [here](#).

OUCH! Archives: [www.sans.org/ouch](http://www.sans.org/ouch)



## A New Virtual Grand Opening Date

CCM has rescheduled the virtual grand opening for the Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering Center. The celebration now will take place, Tuesday, December 8, at 11 a.m. as a YouTube streamed presentation at [www.ccm.edu/amec/](http://www.ccm.edu/amec/).

## STUDENT SERVICES

**Computer Lab for Students**  
[www.waitlist.me/w/computerlab](http://www.waitlist.me/w/computerlab)

**The Library**  
[In-Person and Remote Service](#)

**Online Tutoring Center**  
More information click [here](#).

## HR CORNER

### RETIREMENT CONSULTATIONS WITH NEW JERSEY STATE APPROVED VENDORS

Save for retirement –  
Receive free, no pressure retirement counseling sessions. Make your appointment today. You do not need to be a member to speak with the representatives.

**Equitable** representative Mark Sheridan is available at all 908-230-2042 or email [marc.sheridan@axa-advisors.com](mailto:marc.sheridan@axa-advisors.com).

**MassMutual (formerly Hartford)** representative Kenneth Quarnaccio is available at 848-248-4313 or email [kquarnaccio@gittermanwealth.com](mailto:kquarnaccio@gittermanwealth.com).

**MetLife/Brighthouse** representative David Sharpe is available at 973-575-3254 or email [dsharpe@financialguide.com](mailto:dsharpe@financialguide.com).

**Prudential**  
Call 732-428-2314 or email [alicia.smith@prudential.com](mailto:alicia.smith@prudential.com) to make an individual appointment to discuss ABP or DCRP investments.



## Student Spotlight

### Radiography's Outstanding Reputation Stretches Beyond New Jersey

When Margit "Maggie" Rouse, from the Class of 2020, graduated with her radiography degree and moved to Florida to be with

her fiancé, she found the program's reputation had preceded her. The director of the Jupiter Medical Center Urgent Care facilities Laura Molner '12 also graduated from CCM's Radiography Program and hired Rouse based on the high-quality education she knew Rouse had received.

"She said when she saw my resume she could not believe I graduated from the same program," says Rouse. "It was great to hear that she knew what a quality education radiography students receive at CCM. Seeing what she had accomplished also made me think what I might be able to do someday."

When Rouse first enrolled at CCM, she majored in and earned her associate degree in liberal arts. By the time she had finished that program, she knew she wanted to work in health care and chose radiography.

"People say that as a college student there often is a professor who impacts your life," says Rouse. "For me, it was Professor Sueanne Verna. She believed in me and really pushed me to be the person I am today. She genuinely cares about each one of her students and their success."

Verna also encouraged Rouse to apply for the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) Student Leadership Development Program. Rouse was one of two students selected from New Jersey for that program, which allowed her to attend the ASRT national conference and to start building a network. At CCM, Rouse became president of the radiography graduating class of 2020 and was honored during their graduation ceremony with the Outstanding Classmate Award and the Gertrude L Dourdonous Certificate of Achievement Award for academic excellence from the Association of Educators in Radiologic Technology of the State of New York.

As a student in a program that requires clinical work, Rouse and her fellow healthcare students were concerned when COVID-19 hit that they might not be able to complete their program on time. Due to the herculean efforts of the Chair of Allied Health Programs Denise Vill'Neuve to keep the students moving along, Rouse and her classmates were able to graduate on time.

"Professor Vill'Neuve was a superhero," says Rouse. "We would not have not been able to finish on time if not for her fighting for us."

Since the student's clinical training came to an abrupt halt during the peak of the pandemic, Vill'Neuve arranged for them to meet at a facility where they were able to perform all the steps involved in performing radiographic exams. While it was not the ideal situation, just as their virtual graduation ceremony was not what they had expected, Rouse says, it all turned out to be valuable.

"It wasn't the moment we imagined for ourselves, but nonetheless it was our moment together. We weren't just a class; we became a family," she says. "In health care, you have to be adaptable and know how to deal with the unexpected. The education I received at CCM has been a real game changer. I would not have been prepared for today's world without it."



What year did Rutgers start offering bachelor degree programs on the CCM campus?

Email [aognibene@ccm.edu](mailto:aognibene@ccm.edu) with your answer. First three correct submissions will receive a CCM canvas bag. Please include your room number with your answer.



## Scheduling Clarification

Ensuring the safety and well-being for our college community is first and foremost at CCM. With the support of our Pandemic Response and Support Team, consisting of employees and students, the following dates and operating procedures are designed to maximize the safety of our campus community. Employees are asked to continue adhering to the college's [Infectious Disease Policy](#), CCM's [Return to Campus Plan](#) and CDC Guidelines.

### Thanksgiving Break:

- Wednesday, November 24 – Sunday, November 29
- No classes. Offices are closed.
- Offices will operate remotely from Monday, November 30, to Friday, December 4.

Hybrid classes will operate at the discretion of faculty members. Faculty members should work with their deans if they need specific on-campus services during this period. All offices and classes will resume normal schedules after this period.

### Winter Break:

Thursday, December 24 - Wednesday, January 6

- Campus is closed.
- Staff begin working on January 7
- Online Winterim classes begin January 4



## A New Employee Assistance Provider

Human Resources is pleased to announce that the college has a new Employee Assistance Provider. New Directions provides a wide range of services aimed at helping employees and their families with many issues that may affect you at home or work including family concerns, marital difficulties, stress, financial difficulties and much more.

Their website is [eap.ndbh.com/](http://eap.ndbh.com/). Log in is: ccm. The support line is available 24/7, even on holidays, at 800-624-5544.

More information will be coming in the upcoming weeks. Meanwhile check them out. You can read one of the articles from New Directions [here](#).



## Tavola Italiana- Italian Conversation Table

Tuesday, November 10 at 5 p.m.

This virtual gathering is open to all students, faculty and staff who would like to practice speaking Italian in a social setting, regardless of whether they are currently enrolled in an Italian course or their level of knowledge of Italian. To RSVP and receive the Zoom link to the meeting, contact Professor Megan. Biondi at [mbiondi@ccm.edu](mailto:mbiondi@ccm.edu).

TIAA representative Tatiana Novozhilova is available at 800-732-8353 or visit [www.TIAA.org/schedulenow](http://www.TIAA.org/schedulenow) to make an appointment.

TIAA is offering virtual meetings through Adobe Connect which allows employees to follow along as representatives work with them to navigate their investments. If you need to schedule or change an appointment, please go to

<https://shared.tiaa.org/public/publictools/events/virtualsections?eventPIanID=1-9ZR044V/>.

VALIC representative MaryAnn Bradford is available for individual appointments.

Call 908-470-4114 or email [Maryann.bradford@valic.com](mailto:Maryann.bradford@valic.com)

VOYA representative John Murray is available for individual appointments.

To make an appointment email [johnhmurray@voyafa.com](mailto:johnhmurray@voyafa.com) or call 609-234-3369.

## NOTICES FOR CCMEMO

Email material to both Kathleen Brunet at [kbrunet@ccm.edu](mailto:kbrunet@ccm.edu) and Theresa Gehring at [tgehring@ccm.edu](mailto:tgehring@ccm.edu).

Submissions must be received by 3 p.m. Wednesday.

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## KUDOS

Alumni Relations and the college's Graphic Designer each recently were presented with an award from the National Council of Marketing and Public Relations. Alumni Relations, directed by Barbara Capsouras, received a Gold Award for the Spring 2020 edition of the [Alumni advocate](#) which featured "CCM and Its Heroes Respond to COVID-19 with Expertise and Compassion." Graphic Designer Gina Garcia received a Silver Award for a digital ad she created for Summer Sessions featuring flip flops.



## SOCIAL MEDIA

Help us communicate all of the good things happening at CCM by liking, sharing or commenting on the college's social media posts and pages.